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Report of the Sixteenth Meeting of the WBF Steering Committee (SC16)

Attended by the Steering Committee members and Working Group coordinators

23-24 May 2019

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1. Opening Session by FAO, WBF Executive Board and WBF Secretariat

Mr Boubaker Ben-Belhassen, Director of FAO's Trade and Markets Division, welcomed participants to the Steering Committee (SC) meeting, noting that they represented a diverse range of actors within the global banana industry. He particularly highlighted the significant participation of government representatives – from more than 10 countries – in the meeting. Mr Ben-Belhassen stressed the importance of the WBF in achieving FAO's Strategic Objectives and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, but also emphasized FAO's support to the WBF as a model for multi-stakeholder platforms promoting responsible agricultural value chains. He concluded his welcoming statement by summarizing some of the WBF's principal achievements and ultimately encouraged the strengthening of the constructive relationships – built on trust and respect – that have developed between members in all future activities of the WBF.

Ms Silvia Campos, member of the WBF Executive Board, then provided the opening address on behalf of the Board. She thanked all members for their commitment, and stressed that the active participation of all members would be needed to implement the important decisions that were to be taken. Mr Pascal Liu, Team Leader on International Investment and Tropical Fruits and Coordinator of the WBF, concluded the opening session by outlining the main objectives and expected outcomes of the meeting.

2. Overview of Recent Activities

Mr Liu provided an overview of the priorities and key decisions that were taken on financial and governance aspects during the SC15 meeting in November 2018. He informed members of the activities that had been conducted and accomplished since then.

WBF Secretariat members then continued to present the WBF Action Plan that was approved during the SC15, and briefly summarized the activities that were carried out under each of the working groups (WGs) and task forces (TFs) since then. They also highlighted those activities which remain to be addressed (refer to sections 3, 4 and 5 for more details).

3. Working Group 01 – Environmental Sustainability

The facilitator of Working Group 01 (WG01) presented the recent activities of the WG (for more information, refer to document [WBF-SC16-2019-08e](#)).

The coordinators of the newly merged Subgroup on Agroecological Practices and Water Management then shared the work plan for the subgroup. The first objective established by the subgroup is to hold an event at Fruit Logistica 2020, with the aim of showcasing agroecological practices that have been implemented by small and large-scale producers who are members of the WBF. Efforts will focus on creating case studies on agroecological practices through diverse formats (e.g. flyers and videos). A first example of a case study was presented during the WG01 session, and coordinators made a call for members to share additional practices. In addition, the subgroup also aims to provide a space for



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smallholders to share their good practices by means of a South-South exchange learning programme. The coordinators thus presented a concept note for this purpose. In regards to water management practices, subgroup members decided to hire a consultant to gather and analyse data on water use and efficiency in the industry. The coordinators then highlighted the ongoing fundraising efforts to comply with the work plan.

Next, the Pest and Pesticides Management team (AGPCM) of FAO's Plant Production and Protection Division (AGP) presented the Agrochemical Programme of the Global Environment Facility (GEF). The programme is currently being drafted to be implemented by FAO. The objective is to reduce the use of Highly Hazardous Pesticides (HHPs) and Persistent Organic Polluters (POPs), as well as ensure the disposal of obsolete pesticides and the elimination of contaminated plastics. Banana was selected as one of the key crops, which is why members of WBF have been approached to collaborate. AGPCM will continue to work on the framework of the programme, while they await further expressions of interest from WBF members. The framework will be completed by July and submitted to the GEF by the end of 2019.

As an appraisal provided to the AGPCM team, SC members stressed the importance of having scientifically checked alternatives in order to eliminate targeted substances. Private sector representatives also mentioned that many initiatives on alternatives to HHPs and POPs were being developed at company level. The importance of balancing the types and amounts of substances used was remarked, given that diminishing some substance may lead to an increase in resistance. Representatives from trade unions stressed the need to have clear and well-targeted materials to inform workers on health hazards adequately, as well as to ensure that every workplace has a health and safety committee.

Furthermore, the facilitator of WG01 provided an overview of the current state of the Carbon and Water Footprint (CWF) project that was implemented together with Gestarse. The project aims to start its second phase soon, which includes the automation of the guide to facilitate its use and standardize the data collected from countries, as well as trainings on its use and on-farm validations. Therefore, SC members deemed it necessary to re-establish collaboration efforts with Gestarse, after the successful completion of the first phase of the CWF project. During the SC meeting, members also expressed the need for these activities in other Latin American countries. Additionally, the interest by African representatives was identified. Following an initiative by SC members, expressions of interest and a pledge for funds for the second phase were collected.

Lastly, the facilitator highlighted that the concept note for the Subgroup on the Farm of the Future is currently under evaluation and that it would be shared accordingly for review.

Decisions:

- Collect case studies on agroecological practices and experiences
- Conduct fundraising activities for the implementation of the action plan of the Subgroup on Agroecological Practices and Water Management
- Facilitate communications between industry stakeholders and members of the WBF, for the collection of data and appropriate labelling about the use of HHPs and POPs conducted by the FAO's Plant Protection Division
- Follow up on the expressions of interest and pledges for funds for the CWF project
- Share the updated concept note of the Subgroup on Farm of the Future with the WG01 members



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4. Working Group 02 – Economic Sustainability

Working Group 02 (WG02) coordinators presented the main outcomes of the side meeting of the Subgroup on Covering Costs of Sustainable Production (SG-CCSP), which was held on 22 May 2019, the day prior to the SC16. The recent activities of the SG-CCSP were outlined (for more information, refer to document [WBF-SC16-2019-09e](#)). This was followed by a presentation and subsequent discussions on the three main topics currently addressed by the SG-CCSP, namely the work on living wages, the establishment of a Living Wage Research Network, and the development of an observatory on costs of production.

The WG02 coordinators reiterated that the main area of work for the WG has been focused on analyzing wages as a key element of costs of production. As such, the planned activities under the second phase of the [Living Wage Advocacy Initiative](#) (LIWIN) proposal were presented. The proposal aims to undertake living wage benchmark studies – using the Anker methodology – in banana exporting countries that currently lack one. The living wage benchmarks are a technical determination, based on rights-based principles, of the income that would be needed for a worker and his/her family to have a decent standard of living. As such, the purpose of the benchmarks is to serve as a technical tool that can be used during wage negotiations and wage-setting interventions at local and national level. To complement the studies, the proposal seeks to provide advocacy and institutional support in both exporting and importing countries, as it is acknowledged that a supply chain approach is needed to create the necessary conditions that will ultimately allow for living wages to be paid to workers. As the WBF gathers key stakeholders along the global banana industry, the WG coordinators emphasized that this platform presents a unique opportunity for precompetitive collaboration in this respect.

Several concerns were raised by SC members regarding the activities on living wages, one of which related to the benchmark studies, their use by various stakeholders and the terminology being used. An SC member present requested the WG to change the terminology used for the wage benchmarks, arguing that a *living wage* must be negotiated through collective bargaining. It was agreed that a consultation and follow-up process with all WBF members would be conducted in this respect. Furthermore, it was expressed that the benchmark studies being carried out could interfere with labour relations and collective bargaining mechanisms between workers and employers. Members of the WG02 assured concerned participants that the figure merely serves as a voluntary tool that can be used during negotiations, and is not meant to be imposed on any industry or to replace negotiations at local and national levels.

Other members expressed concerns that living wage activities would increase the burden placed on producers, especially once certifiers include a living wage component within their standards. However, it was emphasized that the aim of the LIWIN activities is to take a supply chain approach, involving all key stakeholders, in order to ensure that this is not the case. Ultimately, several members stressed the need to acknowledge that the benchmarks are a useful tool to address an existing problem.

Next, WG02 coordinators informed SC members that an increased capacity to conduct the living wage benchmark studies presented in the LIWIN proposal would be needed, as the researchers currently do not have the capacity to do this given the numerous requests for benchmark studies. It would also be necessary to ensure that the studies are done in a consistent and comparable manner. As such, Mr Richard and Mrs Martha Anker, creators of a commonly used living wage methodology, presented a concrete proposal, which aims to increase capacity and ensure the sustainability of these activities through the



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establishment of a Living Wage Research Network. During the side meeting of the SG-CCSP, members agreed to provide support to the Living Wage Research Network through the LIWIN proposal.

Finally, WG02 coordinators presented a proposal developed by CIRAD and BASIC for the establishment of an observatory on costs of production, which would allow for transparency around costs of production and would serve as a tool for all actors to understand the distribution of value along the chain over time. A member of the SC informed participants that this initiative is in line with current consultations taking place at the EU level concerning the need to monitor prices along supply chains. The representative from the French Ministry of Agriculture reiterated that the Ministry is in support of the creation of a global observatory on costs of production, as it would allow the industry to better understand the distribution of value along supply chains in the various producing countries (EU, ACP, third countries), bring greater transparency in the knowledge of the sector, improve exchanges between the various links in the chain based on objective information, support the development of strategies and policies at national and international levels, and improve crisis management. To this end, she suggested that the WBF Secretariat share a detailed concept note and provisional budget via the Permanent Representation of France to FAO.

Decisions:

- Share relevant background information on the objectives, strategy and approach of the LIWIN project, the Anker methodology, and the living wage benchmark reports with all WBF members, for their review and discussion
- Establish an informal consultation process with respective member organizations regarding the terminology to be used for activities on wages and the future use of the benchmark reports, in order to ensure that the benchmarks are used as a tool for wage negotiations by the appropriate stakeholders and that the reports are comparable so as to provide transparency on worker conditions in different countries
- In the meanwhile, continue working on the LIWIN proposal and its fundraising activities
- Explore funding opportunities by WBF members to support the Living Wage Research Network
- Follow up on WBF members' interest and financial support for the establishment of an observatory on costs of production

5. Working Group 03 – Social Sustainability

Working Group 03 (WG03) coordinators presented the main activities that were conducted under the three priority areas of the WG prior to the SC16 (for more information, refer to document [WBF-SC16-2019-10e](#)), and proceeded to outline those activities planned until the end of 2020.

Under the priority area on labour relations and decent work, the coordinators informed SC members of the field visit conducted to the Dominican Republic in March 2019 as part of the Decent Work and Social Dialogue project proposal that was endorsed during the SC15. The field visit entailed meeting with relevant stakeholders to explore their interest in these activities. The results seemed promising due to a strengthened interest for social dialogue amongst actors in the industry. In order to initiate the process and ensure ILO's involvement in the project on decent work in the Dominican Republic, there must be a tripartite consensus from local stakeholders on the need for such activities. If this will is expressed, a two-day workshop will be conducted in late 2019 to begin the process. It is hoped that key learnings from the Peruvian framework agreement between small producers and trade unions can be incorporated into the activities. Ultimately, SC members requested the coordinators of the proposed project to keep WBF members informed on the dates and next steps of the activities in the Dominican Republic.



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Furthermore, it was suggested during the SC15 to conduct similar activities in Ivory Coast. However, after discussions with local stakeholders, it was agreed to postpone activities there until 2020, in order to incorporate the key learnings from current activities on decent work in Ghana and Cameroon. This will allow for an integrated approach on decent work in the region.

In regards to the second priority area on occupational health and safety (OHS), updates on the recent activities in Ghana under the framework of the Banana Occupational Health and Safety Initiative (BOHESI) were presented. OHS activities in Ghana include a strong focus on gender, whereby an annex on guidelines on health and safety issues for women will be included in the manual and a workshop on health and safety for women will be conducted. The activities in the country are promising, as the Ghanaian government is committed to implementing a new legislation on OHS.

The WG coordinators also provided updates on the current situation in Cameroon, as BOHESI activities had been put on hold last year due to the political situation at the time. BOHESI coordinators recently received requests from Cameroonian stakeholders to restart the activities in the francophone region of the country. Funding was approved by IDH beforehand, and therefore efforts will be made to incorporate the key learnings from Ghana into the training activities to be conducted in Cameroon.

Ultimately, the next steps for OHS activities will include developing a proposal to replicate BOHESI activities and implement learnings in other Latin America countries, under a decent work agenda.

Decisions:

- Publish a new case study on the Peruvian framework agreement between small producers and trade unions as a sequel to the 2014 WBF publication on labour relations
- Continue efforts to establish a pilot project on decent work and social dialogue in the Dominican Republic
- Restart BOHESI activities in Cameroon, following requests from local stakeholders
- Develop a proposal to replicate BOHESI activities in Latin America

Task Force on Gender Equity (GE-TF)

The third priority within the WG is focused on gender-related issues and is addressed through a specialized Task Force on Gender Equity (GE-TF). The GE-TF held a side meeting on 22 May 2019, the day prior to the SC16, where important discussions were held on the five key priority areas of the task force: (1) women's employment opportunities, (2) women's empowerment, (3) health and safety, (4) gender pay gap, and (5) sexual harassment and gender-based violence. A detailed report of the discussions held during the meeting is available upon request. However, the main decisions taken during the meeting are presented below.

Decisions:

- Promote key learnings from case studies included in the publication, '[Comparative analysis of initiatives to achieve progress towards gender equity in agricultural value chains](#)' (2019)
- Ensure that a gender-sensitive approach to OHS is integrated into BOHESI activities
- Support a permanent collaboration between the GE-TF and WG02 to ensure that the gender pay gap is incorporated into living wage activities
- Share information with WBF members on the [ILO Convention and Recommendation to stop violence and harassment in the world of work](#)

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- Explore the possibility of establishing a fourth Working Group on Gender Equity, taking into account the resources needed

6. Establishment of the New Advisory Board

In the period between the SC15 and SC16, an interim Executive Board (EB) was established following the Secretariat's efforts to renew the EB, as it was recognized by SC members that too many organizations had expressed interest during the SC15. As a result, it was agreed during the SC15 that the WBF Secretariat would develop a proposal for a mechanism to renew the EB during the SC16.

The WBF Secretariat presented the proposal that was prepared following discussions with the FAO Legal Office (LEG). However, it further advised members to change the name of the Board, as it is not a decision-making body but rather acts as an operational/advisory body on behalf of the SC. In legal terms, an Executive Board has decision-making capacities. Therefore, changing the name to Advisory Board (AB) would entail fewer legal implications, meaning that there would be no requirements or rules for the structure or renewal of its members. Ultimately, SC members agreed to change the name of the Executive Board to Advisory Board. Other important decisions taken with respect to the AB are presented below:

Decisions:

- The name of the WBF operational body in charge of supporting the implementation of decisions taken by the SC has been changed from Executive Board (EB) to Advisory Board (AB)
- Every member organization of the AB should designate one representative and an alternate, including at least one woman representative to ensure gender balance in the WBF
- A quorum is no longer required within the AB, as it is not the decision-making body of the WBF
- All candidates that expressed interest up until the SC16 will be accepted into the AB
- There must be a minimum of five AB members present in all meetings of the AB
- AB members that fail to participate in more than two consecutive conference calls without prior notice will lose membership of the AB
 - o The maximum number of absence notifications is four over a period of one year

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7. WBF Action Plan

Following the discussions and decisions taken on the first day of the meeting, the WBF Secretariat presented the action plans developed for the WGs and TFs, with activities to be conducted until the end of 2020. It was also suggested to include the core activities of the Secretariat into the work plan, including coordination and organization of meetings (e.g. Global Conference), promotion and advocacy activities, and awareness-raising efforts. The new WBF Action Plan will be shared with all SC members for review, before being added as an Annex to this report.

Decision:

- Share updated WBF action plan with all SC members for review

8. Financial Matters for the WBF

In order to understand whether the WBF would have the resources available to conduct the activities included in the action plan, the Secretariat provided an overview of the current financial status of the

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Forum. An update of the fee collection campaign was provided, which outlined the total amount expected to be received from member contributions.

The forecast of expenditure was also presented, which showed an increase in expenditures compared to the previous year, largely in part due to the increase in costs of the WBF Secretariat and the creation of the post of WBF Secretary (Project Post), as was decided during the SC15. An increase is also expected due to the organization of the next Global Conference, as well as the request from members to provide interpretation and translation into French more regularly.

It was concluded that the forecasted expenses in 2020 are greater than the forecasted incomes, so efforts need to be made to increase fees and raise funds. As was decided in SC14, the membership fee will be increased by the inflation rate in order to ensure an increased budget for the WBF. Efforts will also be made to expand the member base of the WBF and raise funds from donors.

Decisions:

- Increase membership fees on a yearly basis according to the inflation rate
- Increase fundraising activities

9. Fourth Global Conference of the World Banana Forum

During the SC15, it was suggested to explore the possibility for hosting the Fourth Global Conference back-to-back with the Fruit Logistica trade fair in Germany in February 2020. Based on the information gathered by the WBF Secretariat prior to the SC16, however, members were informed that it was not recommended to pursue this approach. Some interim EB members, principally from the private sector, mentioned that they would not have the time to participate in the Conference, as they would be preoccupied with preparing their activities for Fruit Logistica. The organizers of Fruit Logistica also strongly advised against organizing a back-to-back event with the fair, as this had proven unsuccessful in the past, largely due to reasons previously stated by EB members. Finally, interim EB members also mentioned that February 2020 would be too soon to have sufficient materials to present for the Conference.

Nevertheless, other Germany-based actors have expressed interest in a potential partnership for the organization of the Conference in Germany. SC members thus requested that the WBF Secretariat follow up with the German government regarding the possibility of organizing the Conference in Germany with support from the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ). If it is feasible, the Secretariat will consult with SC members on the potential dates of the Conference, which was suggested to take place in either May or June of 2020. This would allow for proper promotion of the event in early 2020, including during the WBF's participation in the Fruit Logistica event.

In regards to the objectives and expected outputs of the Conference, SC members stressed that the aim is to engage new actors from the global industry and reach out to under-represented regions (Africa, Asia). Therefore, it is necessary to send a positive message and ensure that the content of the Conference is engaging and inclusive. Participants suggested the following topics for consideration:

- A vision of the farm of the future
- The future of the banana market and the distribution of value throughout the chain
- The path towards a sustainable banana industry



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As such, the WBF Secretariat agreed to consult with SC members following the SC16 on their suggestions for possible objectives, topics and outputs to be presented.

Finally, given the time and resources required for the organization of a Global Conference, some SC members suggested that the recommendation to hold a Global Conference every two years be removed from the WBF Charter. SC members expressed consensus in this respect.

Decisions:

- Follow up with GIZ and the German government, regarding their interest in a potential partnership for the organization of the Fourth Global Conference
- Consult with SC members on the potential dates for the Conference, after consultations held with the German government
- Consult with SC members on the potential topics and themes for the Conference
- Participate in industry-related events for the promotion of the WBF and the Fourth Global Conference in 2020, including Fruit Logistica in Germany
- Remove the recommendation for holding a Global Conference every two years from the WBF Charter

10. 17th Meeting of the Steering Committee (SC17)

The SC15 agreed to set the dates of future SC meetings during the third weeks of May and November of each year. Therefore, the SC17 would need to be confirmed for the third week of November 2019.

Given the decisions to organize the Global Conference in May-June 2020 and to organize promotional events, in particular at the Fruit Logistica event in February 2020, the Secretariat requested members to provide their inputs on the suggestion to organize a virtual meeting for the SC17. The Secretariat will already need to dedicate significant time and resources to organize the Global Conference and Fruit Logistica event. Therefore, another in-person SC meeting would prevent the Secretariat from dedicating the time required to deliver key tools and outputs for the Conference. Other reasons to justify a virtual meeting included the fact that it would be primarily focused on the organization of the Conference and Fruit Logistica.

Some members expressed a preference for an in-person meeting, suggesting to have it hosted by a member in either the Dominican Republic or Panama, as it has been recommended in previous meetings of the SC to host future meetings in the Americas. Other participants noted that another in person meeting entails that WBF members would have to devote a considerable amount of time and resources for participating in three successive international meetings of the WBF in a time period of less than seven months. In addition, concerns were raised due to the fact that some countries would be against a banana-related meeting in a banana producing country due to concerns about TR4.

Decision:

- Send communication to SC members requesting them to indicate their preferences for the format of the SC17, to be held either virtually or in-person

11. Special Session on Combating Fusarium Wilt TR4

The coordinator of the Task Force on TR4 (TR4TF) introduced the special session and gave the floor to the different presenters.



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The Locusts and Transboundary Plant Pests and Diseases (AGPMM) team of FAO's AGP Division provided an overview of the current state of the Global Programme on Banana Fusarium Wilt Disease of FAO, as well as an update on the activities developed since its launch in 2017, despite the limited funds available to-date. TR4 was recently highlighted as a high concern at the annual meeting of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM). Other regional activities conducted in Asia, Southern Africa, the Caribbean and Central America were presented. FAO will be coordinating activities for the International Year of Plant Health (IYPH) in 2020, highlighting the importance of TR4. Additionally, a guide of good practices for travellers will be published on the FAO webpage on Food Chain Crisis.

The facilitator of WG01 presented the initiative of the TR4 Global Network (TR4GN) as a contribution of the WBF to the Global Programme on Banana Fusarium Wilt Disease. A concept note presenting the objectives, envisioned structure and tools was developed and approved by the members of WG01 and the TR4TF. Amongst different preparatory activities, contacts were established with National Plant Protection Organizations (NPPOs) to define their needs and potential contributions. Awareness-raising and capacity development elements provided by the TR4GN will match the necessities of the institutions. Furthermore, communications specialists of FAO's Trade and Markets Division (EST) presented the work done on the communication strategy for the TR4GN, including its visual identity as well as the communication tools to be used, such as a website, a newsletter and a mailbox. The website is expected to be launched by the end of 2019.

Activities regarding capacity development were presented by TR4TF members. This comprises the collection and review of all publicly available materials on prevention and containment of TR4 in order to identify key messages, competencies and target groups. After collective analysis, the two key topics considered will be prevention and containment. The framework is expected to be ready for validation by June 2019.

A representative from Exeter University presented the preliminary results of the BananEx project on sustainable banana production and TR4. The main areas addressed by the project are climate and banana production, modelling disease impact, biology of TR4, economic impact of production shocks and stakeholder interaction. It was remarked that it would be important to make this information available through the TR4GN.

Finally, the TF coordinator stressed the need for commitment of members and collection of funds for implementation. For this, a five-year work plan will be developed by the TR4TF and the Secretariat.

Decisions:

- Establish the TR4GN and its communication strategy
- Proceed with the activities outlined for the establishment of the TR4GN, framed within a 5-year work plan
- Follow up with SC members regarding information and materials to be collected and shared through the TR4GN
- Work on the launch event and socialization of the TR4GN
- Explore funding opportunities in collaboration with WBF members and donors
- Analyse a potential cooperation with COLEACP to work with National Plant Protection Organizations

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12. Discussion on the Internal and External Outreach of the WBF

Following the discussion on the activities to be undertaken on the path towards the next Global Conference, members reaffirmed their interest in organizing one or more events at Fruit Logistica 2020. The need to focus efforts on targeting retailers and engaging them was deemed essential. Members also emphasized that it is necessary to make the best use of the participation of WBF members in Fruit Logistica, for example by having them share WBF materials at their booths. In regards to the format of the event, a middle-ground solution was considered, which would entail renting a room for a full day to showcase activities and materials, while also holding short events on topics of interest to the industry during this day. Some events could target specific categories of companies (e.g. retailers, transporters, etc.).

The representative from GIZ mentioned their will to partner for such an event. From a private sector perspective, it was deemed interesting to focus the event on providing a worldwide view of trends in the banana sector. The activities on Sustainable Costs of Production and TR4GN and its tools were considered as a good output to showcase in order to highlight the importance of the WBF for the banana industry. It was also advised to advocate for the three pillars of sustainability. The need to conduct fundraising in order to allow for such an event to take place was also stressed.

A call was then made for all WBF members to advertise the upcoming WBF events within their organizations and with their external partners.

The Secretariat concluded the session by presenting the current work on the visual identity of the WBF.

Decisions:

- The Secretariat will send information on the implications of holding an event at Fruit Logistica 2020, along with a preliminary budget
- The Secretariat will follow-up with Fruit Logistica organizers, as well as potential partners and sponsors for the event
- The Secretariat will continue the work on the visual identity of the WBF

13. Conclusions and Next Steps

Mr Liu concluded the meeting, highlighting the main discussions and decisions that were taken. He then provided the closing remarks, thanking all of those involved in the preparation and execution of the meeting, including the participants, interpreters, messengers, technicians, the WBF Secretariat staff and the EST colleagues.

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Annex 1. List of Participants

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List of participants and observers of SC16

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#	Organization / Organización / Organisation	Name / Nombre / Nom	Surname / Apellido / Nom	Participation/ Participación / Participation
1	Agroamerica	Javier	Aguirre Mendoza	SC member
2	Agrofair	Luud	Clercx	SC member
3	Bama	Magne	Svartbekk	SC member
4	Banana Link	Anna	Cooper	SC member
5	Banana Link	Paul	Lievens	SC member
6	Banana Link	Jacqui	Mackay	SC member
7	Bioersity International	Annabelle	Lhommeau	SC member
8	Chiquita Brands International Inc.	Andrew	Biles	SC member
9	COLEACP	Morag	Webb	SC member
10	COLSIBA	Gilbert	Bermúdez Umaña	SC member
11	Compagnie Fruitière	Christelle	Lasme	SC member
12	Compagnie Fruitière	George	Kporye	SC member
13	CORBANA	Mariano	Jiménez Zeledón	Observer
14	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH	Daniel	May	Observer
15	Dole	Xavier	Roussel	SC member
16	Embajada de la República de Guinea Ecuatorial	Mateo Nsogo	Nguere Micue	Observer
17	Embajada de la República de Cuba	Rebeca	Cutié Cancino	Observer
18	Embajada de la República de Panamá	Elena	Minza	SC member
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20	European Consumer Union	Sergio	Veroli	Observer
21	European Consumer Union	Laura	Veroli	Observer
22	European Union Delegation	Deborah	Di Salvatore	Observer
23	European Union Delegation	Giulia	Parenti	Observer
24	Exeter University	Varun	Varma	Observer
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29	Fyffes	Jon	Tugwell	SC member
30	Fyffes	Julie	Cournoyer	SC member
31	Fyffes	Stella	Davis	SC member
32	GLOBALG.A.P	Enrique	Uribe	SC member
33	IDH	Bas	Overzier	Observer
34	IUF	Svetlana	Boincean	SC member
35	Lidl	Florian	Schuetze	SC member
36	Ministère de l'agriculture et de l'alimentation	Marie	Collard	SC member
37	Ministère des Outre-Mer	Franck	Ah-Kit	SC member
38	Office de développement de l'économie agricole d'outre-mer	Laurence	Grassart	SC member
39	Rainforest Alliance	Stephanie	Gerteiser	SC member
40	Rainforest Alliance	Leonie	Haakshorst	SC member
41	Representación Permanente de España ante la FAO	Mateo	Díaz	SC member
42	Representación Permanente de España ante la FAO	Paula	Hernández	SC member
43	Representación Permanente de España ante la FAO	Berenice	Areso	SC member
44	Representación Permanente de la República de Costa Rica ante la FAO	Amarilli	Villegas Cordero	SC member
45	Representación Permanente de la República Dominicana ante la FAO	Diana	Infante	SC member
46	Représentation permanente de la République de Côte d'Ivoire auprès de la FAO, du FIDA et du PAM	Gisele	Coulibaly	Observer
47	Représentation permanente de la République de Côte d'Ivoire auprès de la FAO, du FIDA et du PAM	Kouame	Kanga	Observer
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49	Tesco	Tania	Moodley	SC member
50	Wageningen University	Gert	Kema	SC member
51	FAO/AGP	Fazil	Dusunceli	FAO
52	FAO/AGP	Elisabetta	Tagliati	FAO
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