INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP ON TEA

INTERSESSIONAL MEETING

Provisional Timetable

Cinnamon Grand Colombo Hotel

Colombo, Sri Lanka
12-13 August 2017

**Saturday, 12 August 2017**

**Morning Session – Breakout sessions**

09:30 Welcome and opening: Mr Jean Luc Mastaki, Senior Economist, Trade and Markets Division, FAO

09:35 Statement from Mr Johnson Irungu Waithaka, Chairperson, IGG/Tea

09:45 Statement from the Chairperson, Sri Lanka Tea Board

10:00 Tea break

10:20 Approval of the Provisional Agenda and Timetable

10:30 Developments in the Tea Forum:

 Ms Louise Roberge, President, Tea Association of Canada

10:50 Brainstorming session on the future work of the Intergovernmental Group on Tea

12:00 Discussion

12:30 Lunch

**Afternoon Session**

14:00 Issues on statistical information faced by the Secretariat:
Jean Luc Mastaki

14:30 Discussion

15:00 Presentation of each Working Group:
Relative Chairpersons of each Working Group (10 minutes each)

15:00 i) Working Group on Maximum Residue Levels: Dr Boriah and Dr Katie Donnely

15:10 ii) Working Group on Tea Trade and Quality: Ms Premala Srikantha

15:20 iii) Working Group on Organic Tea

15:30 iv) Working Group on Climate Change

15:40 v) Working Group on Smallholders: Mr Rachmat Badruddin

15:50 vi) Working Group on Global Tea Market Analysis and Promotion: Mr Song Danyang

16:00 vii) Task Force on Statistics: Mr Jean Luc Mastaki

16:10 Breakout sessions of the Working Groups
Each Working Group will be assigned to an area in the meeting room where they can discuss their issues, work and action plans and terms of reference. The Chairperson of each Working Group will report to the plenary.

18:00 End of session

**Sunday, 13 August 2017**

**Morning Session**

09:00 Chair address

09:05 Breakout sessions of the Working Groups (continued): Consolidation of reports

10:00 Report of the Working Groups on MRLs

10:20 Plenary discussion and adoption of decisions, strategies and recommendations

10:40 Tea break

11:00 Report of the Working Group on Tea Trade and Quality

11:20 Plenary discussion and adoption of strategies to promote minimum quality and safety assurance of ISO 3720 parameters

11:40 Report of the Working Group on Organic Tea

12:00 Plenary discussion and agreement on strategies and certification processes for organic tea production

12:20 Report of the Working Group on Climate Change

12:40 Plenary discussion and adoption of adaptation strategies and agronomic practices

13:00 Lunch

**Afternoon Session**

14:00 Report of the Working Group on Smallholders

14:20 Plenary discussion and adoption of decisions, strategies and recommendations

14:40 Report of the Working Group on Global Tea Market Analysis and Promotion

15:00 Plenary discussion on the terms of reference and plan of action

15:20 Tea break

15:40 Report of the Task Force on Statistics

16:00 Plenary discussion and adoption of decisions, strategies and recommendations

16:20 Any other business

1. Date and place of the 23rd Session
2. Any other matters

16:40 Adoption of the Report of the Intersessional Meeting

17:00 Concluding remarks