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**APPOINTING OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE INTER-  
AMERICAN BOARD OF AGRICULTURE (IABA) TO THE  
CATIE GOVERNING COUNCIL**

**Montego Bay, Jamaica**



## **Rotation mechanism for appointing the representatives to the Inter American Board of Agriculture (IABA) to the CATIE Governing Council**

Clause 16 of the Tropical Agricultural Research and Higher Education Center (CATIE) determines that the Governing Council of CATIE is one of the governing bodies of that Centre and that it is constituted by a Minister of each of the Member States linked to the agricultural sector and/or the natural resources sector, the Director General of IICA, and a representative of the IABA appointed for such purpose.

Taking into account that the process to appoint the Representative of the IABA to the Governing Council of CATIE must take place in a timely and direct manner, without going through an expensive consultation process with the Member States of the IICA, the IABA, through resolution No. 397 at its XII Regular Meeting that took place in Panamá, in November 2003, established an automatic rotation mechanism for the IICA Member States that are not Members States of CATIE, with the purpose of representing the IAABA in that governing body of CATIE.

As a matter of fact, that mechanism facilitated the appointment of those Representatives during the period 2003-2009, and Peru is expected to appoint such representative in 2010, as shown in the following table.

<b>IABA Representative to the Board of Directors of CATIE</b>		
<b>Region</b>	<b>Member State of IICA that is not a Member State of CATIE</b>	<b>Years</b>
Caribbean	Barbados	2003-2004
Northern	Canada	2005-2006
Southern	Brazil	2007-2008
Andean	Peru	2009-2010

The potential problem that we anticipate is the issue that will face the Office of the Director General of IICA in 2011 to request IICA Member States that are not Members States of CATIE to appoint a representative to the Governing Council of CATIE, as there will not be any regular meeting of the IABA in 2010, leaving therefore a gap in the present mechanism.

To solve this situation and, taking into consideration that the above mentioned rotation mechanism has been very useful for the purpose it was designed, the Office of the Director General of IICA, in consultation with the Office of the Director General of CATIE, has prepared a Draft Resolution which is part of the present document as its Single Annex and which, if approved, would extend the application of the automatic rotation mechanism established by the IABA through Resolution No. 397 to include the 2011- 2017 period.

Also, in the Work Program of the XV Regular Meeting of the IABA, a space has been included for the Director General of IICA to submit the present proposal for its consideration by the Plenary of this IABA meeting.

**SINGLE ANNEX**

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**DRAFT RESOLUTION N.º**

**AUTOMATIC ROTATION MECHANISM FOR APPOINTING THE  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN BOARD OF AGRICULTURE  
(IABA) TO THE GOVERNING COUNCIL AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
THE TROPICAL AGRICULTURE RESEARCH AND HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER  
(CATIE)**

The INTER-AMERICAN BOARD OF AGRICULTURE, at its Fifteenth Regular Meeting,

**HAVING SEEN:**

Document IICA/JIA/ Doc. 337(09), “Automatic Rotation mechanism for appointing the Representatives of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA) to the Governing Council of the Tropical Agriculture Research and Higher Education Center (CATIE),”

**CONSIDERING:**

That the rotation mechanism for appointing the Representatives of the IABA to the Governing Council of the CATIE, established through Document IICA/JIA/Res.397 (XII-O/03) only covers the period up to 2010;

That the next Regular Meeting of the IABA will take place the second semester of 2011, which would create a gap in the appointment of an IABA Representative to the Governing Council of CATIE for that year;

That, therefore, it is necessary to extend the period covered by the above mentioned rotation mechanism in such a way that it covers the indicated gap.

**RESOLVES:**

1. To adopt the following table that establishes the rotation of the IICA Members States that are not members of CATIE that should appoint the person who will represent the IABA on the Governing Council of CATIE, for the term specified therein.

<b>IABA Representative to the Board of Directors of CATIE</b>		
<b>Region</b>	<b>Member State of IICA that is not a Member State of CATIE</b>	<b>Years</b>
Caribbean	Dominica	2011-2012
Northern	United States of America	2013-2014
Southern	Chile	2015-2016
Andean	Ecuador	2016-2017

2. To entrust the Director General of IICA with: (i) informing the Institute's Member States of the table approved in the foregoing operative paragraph for appointing the IABA's representatives to the Governing Council of CATIE; and (ii) henceforth with requesting candidates to perform these duties on CATIE's Governing Council according to the established rotation mechanism.

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