



Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee

**Status of the resolutions of the Thirty-seventh Regular Meeting
of the Executive Committee**

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I. General information

The Thirty-seventh Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) was held in San Jose, Costa Rica, from 18-19 July 2017. The Executive Committee was made up of the following countries: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica, Ecuador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Saint Lucia and the United States of America.¹

Mr. Bryce Quick, Associate Administrator and Chief Operating Officer of the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), served as Chair of the Meeting, and Mrs. Ana Isabel Gómez, Executive Director of the Executive Secretariat for Agricultural Sector Planning (SEPSA) of Costa Rica, acted as Rapporteur.

II. Status of the resolutions adopted by the Executive Committee

Resolution	Status	Observations
<p>Resolution No. 619 “Report on the collection of quotas”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To acknowledge the importance of maintaining in effect the measures established by the Executive Committee and the IABA to encourage IICA’s Member States to make their annual quota payments to the Institute in a timely fashion and to pay arrears for previous years. 2. To instruct the Director General to: (a) continue efforts to collect the quotas for 2017 and those owed for previous years; and, (b) keep IICA’s Member States informed of progress in this area. 3. To urge the Member States to remain current with the payment of their quotas to the Institute, and those that are in arrears, to follow through with the plans agreed to meet their financial obligations to IICA. 	<p>Resolution implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p>	<p>Thank you notes for the payment of quotas have been sent out.</p> <p>Constant communication with the member countries has been maintained in order to manage the collection of quotas owed, while highlighting the importance of these resources.</p> <p>At the Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, to be held 17-18 July 2018 at IICA Headquarters, the Member States will be informed of progress made in the collection of quotas.</p>

¹ The Member States adopted a rotating system of membership of the Executive Committee by means of Resolution No. 405, which the Executive Committee approved at its Twenty-third Regular Meeting, held in Costa Rica from 23-24 July 2003.

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<p>Resolution No. 620 “2016 Financial Statements of IICA and Report of the External Auditors, Twenty-third Report of the Audit Review Committee (ARC)”</p> <p>To approve the Twenty-third Report of the ARC and instruct the Director General to implement the recommendations contained therein.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p>	<p>The Institute has followed up on the recommendations issued by the ARC, whose Twenty-fourth report will be presented at the Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee.</p>
<p>Resolution No. 621 “2018-2019 Program-budget”</p> <p>To recommend that the IABA adopt a resolution:</p> <p>i. Approving the overall allocation of USD33,561,400 per year from the Institute’s Regular Fund for the 2018-2019 biennium, financed with USD30,061,400 annually in assigned quotas from the Member States, as per the amounts indicated in the scale attached hereto as “Annex A,” and over-quota contributions; and with USD3,500,000 per year in miscellaneous resources, from income that it is estimated will be generated; however, for fiscal year 2019, the Assessed Quotas will be those computed in accordance with the percentages established in the quota scale approved by the OAS General Assembly for that year.</p> <p>ii. Approving the expenditure budget for 2018, in accordance with the allocations for each of the chapters, headings and strategic priorities specified in Document IICA/CE/Doc. 662 (17), “2018-2019 Program-budget.” The summary of allocations by chapter is attached to this resolution as Annex B.</p> <p>iii. Instructing the Director General to submit to the consideration of the Executive Committee at its Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting, a draft allocation of the funds approved for</p>	<p>Resolution in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p>	<p>The quotas allocated for 2019 will be calculated based on the percentages of the quota scale approved for that year by the General Assembly of the Organization of American States (OAS), which is pending approval.</p> <p>The detailed allocation of the 2019 expenditure budget, which will be aligned with the Institute’s new Medium-term Plan, will be submitted for consideration by the Executive Committee at its Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting.</p>

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<p>the 2019 Program-budget, consistent with the priorities of the new medium-term plan of the Institute.</p> <p>iv. Authorizing the Director General of IICA to effect transfers among chapters of the Program-budget, provided that the total transfers do not significantly affect the priorities approved.</p> <p>v. Authorizing the Director General to make the necessary adjustments in the allocation of resources approved in this resolution, should the combined income for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 fall below the levels estimated for the biennium, and to inform the Executive Committee and the IABA of the situation.</p>	<p>Operative paragraph in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p>	
<p>Resolution No. 623 “Biennial Report of the Tropical Agriculture Research and Higher Education Center (CATIE) for 2015-2016”</p> <p>1. To urge IICA and CATIE to continue to strengthen their links and mechanisms for implementing joint activities, with a view to enhancing the contribution of the two institutions in support of the efforts of the Member States to achieve competitive, sustainable and inclusive agricultural development.</p> <p>2. To urge the Director General of CATIE to make all reports provided to CATIE’s governing council, including financial reports, also available to the Executive Committee and the IABA.</p>	<p>Resolution in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph being implemented</p>	<p>The report on actions carried out recently within the framework of the IICA-CATIE Program of Joint Action will be presented at the Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee.</p> <p>The reports presented to the Governing Council of CATIE, including its financial statements, will be included among the information documents of the Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, to be held 17-18 July 2018, at IICA Headquarters.</p>

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<p>Resolution No. 624 “Biennial Report of the Caribbean Agricultural Research and Development Institute (CARDI) for 2015-2016”</p> <p>To urge IICA and CARDI to continue to strengthen their technical links and mechanisms for executing joint activities, with a view to strengthening the contribution of both institutions in support of efforts to achieve agricultural and rural development in the Caribbean.</p>	<p>Resolution in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p>	<p>The report on recent joint actions carried out by IICA and CARDI will be presented at the Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, to be held 17-18 July 2018.</p>
<p>Resolution No. 627 “Rotation of Member States on the Executive Committee for the period 2019-2033”</p> <p>To recommend that the IABA approve the attached new table for the 2019-2033 period, which includes the 34 Member States of the Institute.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p>	<p>At the Nineteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA, held 25-26 October 2017, at IICA Headquarters, the table detailing the rotation of Member States on the Executive Committee for the period 2019-2033 was approved.</p>

III. Resolutions approved at other meetings of the Executive Committee

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<p>Resolution No. 506 “Bylaws of the Inter-American Commission for Organic Agriculture (ICOA)”, approved at the Twenty-ninth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, held in 2009</p> <p>To adopt the Transitory Provisions for the implementation of the Bylaws of the ICOA, contained in Appendix B to this Resolution.</p> <p><i>Article 3 (2.m) of the Bylaws:</i> To submit to the Executive Committee of IICA – through the Director General of IICA – an annual report on its activities, which may include recommendations and draft resolutions for its consideration.</p>	<p>Resolution in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p>	<p>The report of the ICOA on activities carried out in 2017 will be presented as an information document at the Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee.</p>

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<p>Resolution No. 572 “IICA cooperation with the market information organization of the Americas (MIOA)”, approved at the Thirty-third Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, held in 2013</p> <p>To request that the President of the MIOA and the Director General of IICA present progress reports to the Executive Committee on the work being done in the field of agricultural market information and the process of institutional strengthening of MIS and the MIOA.</p> <p>To instruct the Director General to strengthen the Institute’s facilitation of Member States’ collaboration in order to achieve sustainable, inclusive and innovative means of collecting, processing, analyzing and disseminating information relating to prices, distribution of agricultural products, imports and exports.</p>	<p>Resolution in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p>	<p>The report on joint activities carried out by IICA and the MIOA to promote agricultural market information, as well as the institutional strengthening of the Market Information Systems (MIS) and the MIOA, will be presented as an information document at the Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee.</p>