Cameroun: Selection of the Implementing Agency for the Implementation of the Project to support the Cocoa and Coffee Sectors Development Fund (CCODEF) for the operationalization of an agroecological transition financing mechanism.

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EB.2023.16

Considering:

● The decision EB.2023.08 approving the Call for Expressions of Interest 2023/02/CMR;

● The Call for expression of interest (2023/02/CMR) which took place from May 26th to June 23rd 2023, which was widely advertised and for which an information session was held online on June 8th 2023;

● The complete expressions of interests received from eligible organisations; and

● The technical analysis report prepared by the Secretariat and its recommendations.

Recalling:

● That the present decision is subject to the non-objection of the Minister of Economy, Planning and Land-use (MINEPAT).

The Executive Board,

1. Approves the selection of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) as the Implementing Agency for the “Project to support the Cocoa and Coffee Sectors Development Fund (CCODEF) for the operationalization of a agroecological transition financing mechanism.”

2. Requests IFAD to develop a project document for the “Project to support the Cocoa and Coffee Sectors Development Fund (CCODEF) for the operationalization of a agroecological transition financing mechanism” for a duration of 3 to 5 years and for a budget of up to 20 million USD with at
least 70% of the direct costs for direct support to producers through the CCODEF desks (Guichet) and less than 30% of the direct cost dedicated to strengthening the institutional capacities of CCODEF.

3. Recalls that feasibility studies and the design of projects and programmes should place strong emphasis on (i) gender inclusion, including in terms of sex-disaggregated data, (ii) human rights and non-discrimination, (iii) conflict prevention and resolution, in particular with regard to land tenure, (iv) monitoring and learning, while ensuring strong alignment with the CAFI results framework, (v) analysis of the link with forest conservation, (vi) analysis of opportunities for scale-up and means to achieve them, (vii) analysis of risks of corruption and conflicts of interest, as well as the stakeholders likely to gain or lose as a result of the initiative.

4. Reiterates that the present decision does not represent a funding allocation decision. Funding will be approved based on agency submissions and according to the Terms of Reference of the Trust Fund.