

ED 2397/22

16 March 2022 Original: English



Survey to express preferences of dates and location for the 133rd Session of the International Coffee Council (Fall 2022 Session)

- 1. The Executive Director presents his compliments and wishes to invite Members to express their preference on dates and location of the 133rd Session of the International Coffee Council (ICC).
- 2. During its forthcoming 132nd session (31 March 1 April 2022), the International Coffee Council will discuss and decide on dates and location for its 133rd session (Fall 2022), which will be held in person or in hybrid (in person/online) format (ICC 132-0 agenda item 11.1).
- 3. The 133rd Session of the ICC was initially planned to be hosted in September 2022 by the Government of India in Bangalore, in conjunction with the World Coffee Conference. As informed at the 131st Session of the ICC, the World Coffee Conference was postponed due to the covid-19 pandemic.
- 4. Following up on the generous offer made by Colombia in February 2022 to host the 133rd Session of the ICC, we have been informed their preferred dates for holding the event are in the **week of 3 to 7 October 2022.**
- 5. In light of the above, the Council will therefore be requested to consider the two options regarding:
 - a) Holding the meeting in London, from 5 to 9 September 2022
 - b) Holding the meeting in Bogotá (Colombia), from 3 to 7 October 2022
- 6. Members are invited to consider the above options and answer a survey to indicate their preference if any. The <u>deadline to fill in the questionnaire is 25 March</u> 2022.

LINK TO THE SURVEY

Kindly note the two options carry different logistic and budgetary implications, including possible overlap with other international commodity events, which will be presented to the Council along with the results of this survey.