Endorsement of FIP Investment Plan for Brazil

The FIP Sub-Committee, having reviewed the Investment Plan for Brazil (document FIP/SC.8/4/Rev.1),

a) endorses the Investment Plan as a basis for the further development of the projects foreseen in the plan and takes note of the total requested funding of USD 70 million (USD 37.52 million in grant funding and USD 32.48 million in loan financing).

b) reconfirms its decision on the allocation of resources, adopted at its meeting in November 2010, that a range of funding for the country should be used as a planning tool in the further development of project and program proposals to be submitted to the FIP Sub-Committee for FIP funding approval, recognizing that the minimum amount of the range is more likely and that the upper limit of the range will depend on availability of funding. The range of funding agreed for Brazil is USD$ 50-70 million in FIP resources.

c) recognizes that the quality of the proposed activities will be a significant factor in the funding to be approved by the Sub-Committee when project and program proposals are submitted for approval of FIP funding.

d) approves a total of USD 300,000 in FIP funding as preparation grants for the following projects to be developed under the investment plan:

   i. USD 100,000 for the project “Sustainable Production in Areas Previously Converted to Agricultural Use”, (IBRD);

   ii. USD 100,000 for the project “Forest Information to Support Public and Private Sectors in Managing Initiatives Focused on Conservation and Valorization of Forest Resources”, (IDB); and

   iii. USD 100,000 for the project “Implementation of an Early Warning System for Preventing Forest Fires and a System for Monitoring the Vegetation Cover”, (IBRD).

e) takes note of the estimated budget for project preparation and supervision services for the projects referenced above and approves a first tranche of funding for MDB preparation and supervision services as follows:

   i. USD 265,000 for the project “Environmental Regulation of Rural Lands, (IBRD);
ii. USD 265,000 for the project “Sustainable Production in Areas Previously Converted to Agricultural Use”, (IBRD);

iii. USD 250,000 for the project “Forest Information to Support Public and Private Sectors in Managing Initiatives Focused on Conservation and Valorization of Forest Resources”, (IDB); and

iv. USD 240,000 for the project “Implementation of an Early Warning System for Preventing Forest Fires and a System for Monitoring the Vegetation Cover”, (IBRD).

f) requests the Government of Brazil and the MDBs to take into account all written comments submitted by Sub-Committee members by May 30, 2012 in the further development of the projects.