



June 12, 2020

Mr. Samy Gaiji
FAO Representative
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
Côte d'Ivoire

Letter of Endorsement for PROMIRE

Dear Mr. Gaiji,

On behalf of World Cocoa Foundation, I would like to express our interest to collaborate with the project "Promoting zero-deforestation cocoa production for reducing emissions in Côte d'Ivoire" (PROMIRE) that FAO is preparing to be submitted for funding to the Green Climate Fund.

The proposed project activities align to the sustainability efforts of our organization and that of the entire cocoa and chocolate industry in West Africa as articulated in the Cocoa & Forest Initiative Framework for Action to end deforestation in Côte d'Ivoire signed by the cocoa industry on 17 November, 2017, led by the World Cocoa Foundation.

Through this non-financial letter of endorsement, we support the PROMIRE project's goal to support the development of sustainable and responsible cocoa farms based on a zero deforestation and decent labour production, and strengthen business capacities of cooperatives in la Mé, Sud Comoé and Agneby Tiassa. Should the project be approved, we will work through this partnership to identify strategies to scale up agroforestry and forestry related activities in our sustainability programs and as part of our efforts in the Cocoa & Forest Initiative.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Scobey".

Richard Scobey
President