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ETI Smallholder Guidelines

Recommendations for working with smallholders

Background:

The *ETI smallholder guidelines* respond to a complex and frequently asked question: what does application and monitoring of the ETI Base Code look like where small agricultural producers are concerned? In the absence of specific industry-wide guidance on implementing labour standards with smallholders, the ETI Smallholder group set off over a three-year period to respond to this need. The result is a set of comprehensive and practical recommendations containing dedicated sections and tools for different actors throughout the supply chain.

The launch offers you:

- An introduction to the *ETI smallholder guidelines* which contain dedicated sections and tools for different sets of actors in the supply chain,
- An opportunity to understand the process by which these have been developed, as well as the credentials of group members and stakeholders who produced them;
- An opportunity to subscribe to the list of those piloting the *ETI smallholder guidelines* and to feed your experiences into the learning framework.

Speakers:

- **Dr. Maggie Opondo**, ETI Local Project Officer
- **Louise Nichols**, Foods Ethical Manager, Marks & Spencers

Panellists:

- **Steve Homer**, Commercial Manager, Flamingo Holdings
- **Teresa MacKay**, Transport and General Workers Union
- **Caroline Driver**, Programme Co-ordinator, Africa Now

Who should attend

- All members • Retailers • Purchasers, including agents, co-operatives, exporters, packing houses and suppliers • Commercial auditors involved in inspections of smallholders or purchasers • Smallholders • Trade unions
- Non-governmental organisations.

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The ETI smallholder guidelines are being published in three languages: English, Kiswahili, and Spanish. Two international launches – one in Spain and one in Kenya - will precede this event.. (Contact liz@eti.org.uk)

22 September 2005
2 pm – 4.30 pm

Venue

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Programme

WELCOME

14.00 Chair: Dan Rees, Director, ETI

14.05 **How the SH Guidelines were developed**

Maggie Opondo, Local Project Officer (Kenya), ETI

- Research findings
- How the Guidelines were changed in response to SH consultation
- What's different about our approach to an audit approach

14.25 **A retailers perspective**

The importance of the SH guidelines to M & S

- Louise Nicholls
Foods Ethical Manager, Marks & Spencers

14.45 **PANEL DISCUSSION**

An opportunity to ask questions of key group members who were pivotal to the production of the SH Guidelines

- Teresa Mackay
Chair Food /Agriculture National Industrial Sector, TGWU
- Steve Homer
Commercial Manager, Flamingo Holdings
- Caroline Driver
Programme Co-ordinator, Africa Now

15.45 **RECEPTION**