



# INTERNATIONAL COTTON ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## Research Associate Program – 2010

# Improving Productivity of Cotton

<b>Date/Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Program</b>
May 3, Monday		Arrival in Washington, DC <b><i>Holiday Inn Rosslyn</i></b> <b><i>1900 North Fort Myer Drive</i></b> <b><i>Arlington VA 22209,</i></b> <b><i>Phone: (703) 807-2000</i></b> <b><i>(Rosslyn Metro Station)</i></b>
May 4, Tuesday	9:00 am	Introduction and ICAC activities (Dr. Terry P. Townsend, Executive Director, ICAC) Program details (Dr. M. Rafiq Chaudhry, Technical Information Section)
	10:00 am	Payment of per diem (Mr. Freddy Arriola, Administrative Officer, ICAC)
	10:30 am	Coffee break
	11:00 am	M. Rafiq Chaudhry, Work of Technical Information Section of the ICAC (Dr. M. Rafiq Chaudhry)
	11:30 am	Major hurdles to improving productivity of cotton? (Dr. M. Rafiq Chaudhry, Technical Information Section, ICAC)
	12 :30 pm	Lunch
	1 :30 pm	Country reports Argentina, Cameroon and Egypt
	2:30 pm	Coffee break
	3:00 pm	Major issues in the cotton industry (Dr. Terry P. Townsend, Executive Director, ICAC)
	4:00 pm	Open
	5:00 pm	Adjourn
May 5, Wednesday	9:00 am	World Cotton Outlook and Trends in Yields (Mrs. Armelle Gruère, Statistician, ICAC)
	10:15 am	World Cotton Trade (Mr. Andrei Guitchounts, Economist)
	11:00 am	Coffee break
	11:30 am	Cotton and the environment (Dr. Phillip Wakelyn, National Cotton Council of America, Washington)
	12:30 pm	Lunch
	1:30 pm	ICAC Price Model Relationships between Cotton Future and Spot Prices Relationships between Textile Fiber Prices and Oil Prices (Dr. Alejandro Plastina, Economist, ICAC)
	2:45 pm	Coffee break
	3:15 pm	Country Reports Germany and Pakistan
	4:30 pm	Adjourn
May 6, Thursday	9:00 am	Biotech cotton and yield improvement (Dr. John McMurdy, US Agency for International Development -USAID-, Washington DC)
	10:30 am	Coffee break

	11:00 pm	National Cotton Classing System in the USA (Mr. Darryl Earnest, Deputy Administrator, USDA-AMS, Cotton Division, Washington DC)
	12:00 pm	Lunch
	1:00 pm	Cotton By-products Mr. John Baffes, The World Bank, Washington DC
	2:15 pm	Coffee break
	3:00	Economic Research Service, USDA, Washington DC (1800 M Street, NW, Room S5217, Washington) Mr. Stephen McDonald Mr. Leslie Myers
	5:00 pm	Adjourn
May 7 Friday	9:00 am	Country Reports Poland, Russia and South Africa
	9:30 am	Organic cotton (Ms. Sandra Marquardt, On the Mark Public Relations)
	10:30 am	Coffee break
	10:45 am	Country reports Sudan, Uganda and Zambia
	11:30 am	Quiz competition
	12:30 pm	Lunch
	1:30 pm	Common Fund for Commodities Projects on Cotton (Dr. M. Rafiq Chaudhry, Technical Information Section, ICAC)
	2 :30 pm	Coffee break
	3 :00 pm	General discussion Certificate distribution
	4 :00 pm	Adjourn
May 8, Saturday	All day	Free/Open day
May 9, Sunday	1:30 pm	Travel to Suffolk, VA <b>Hotel Hilton Garden Inn</b> <b>100 East Constance Road</b> <b>Suffolk, VA 23434</b> <b>Phone (757) 925-1300</b>
May 10, Monday	9:00 am	Visit Virginia Tech Tidewater Agricultural Research and Extension Center, Suffolk, VA
	12:00 pm	Lunch
	2:00 pm	Visit a farmer field and leave for Cary, NC
	7:00 pm	Arrive Cary, NC, <b>Cambria Suites</b> <b>300 Airgate Drive</b> <b>Morrisville, NC 27560</b> <b>Phone: (919) 361-3311</b>
May 11, Tuesday	9:00 am to 4:00 pm	Visit Cotton Incorporated, Cary, NC
May 12, Wednesday	9:00 am	Visit farmer fields
	12:00 pm	Leave for Washington DC
	8:00 pm	Arrive Washington DC <b>Spring Hill Suites by Marriot</b> <b>138 Spring Street</b> <b>Herndon VA 20170</b> <b>Phone: (703) 435-3100</b> End of the Program
May 13, Thursday		Leave for home countries