



## REGULATIONS

### **1. ORGANIZATION**

The International Institute of Coffee Tasters (Iiac) with the cooperation of the Italian Tasters - Centro Studi Assaggiatori (Csa) and the support of Iiac Japan, Iiac Korea, Iiac Taiwan and Iiac China under the patronage of the International Academy of Sensory Analysis (Iasa) organizes the “International Coffee Tasting 2016”, an international competition for single origin coffees or coffee blends, in beans or ground or single dose, for espresso, moka or filter in Brescia (Italy) on the 18<sup>th</sup> and the 19<sup>th</sup> of October 2016.

### **2. AIMS**

The International Coffee Tasting 2016 aims at:

1. creating a competition between coffees from throughout the world in order to emphasize the hedonic quality of the product which comes from particularly gifted areas and which is carefully grown, expertly selected, knowledgeable roasted and then, whenever appropriate, masterfully blended;
2. emphasizing quality production by indicating to consumers the best products on the market;
3. stimulating producers to follow a quality path in its most modern definition: i.e. customer satisfaction.

The following coffees can take part in the International Coffee Tasting 2016: roasted coffees, blended or from a single origin, in beans, grounded or in single dose ready for consumption.

### **3. CLASSIFICATION OF COFFEES**

The International Coffee Tasting 2016 is restricted to the following coffee categories:

- A. single origins or blends (ground or in beans) for filter, Neapolitan coffee pot or similar extraction methods (Aeropress, Chemex, V60 and others);
- B. ground single origins or blends for moka (Italian coffee pot);
- C. single origin or blends in beans for automatic non-professional coffee machines;
- D. single-dose single origins or blends;
- E. Italian blends in beans for espresso;
- F. non-Italian blends or single origins in beans for espresso.

In those cases when both single origin and blended coffees are entered into a single category among B, C, D, E, F they will be treated as different categories for the purposes of the competition. The Organization reserves the right to change categories in relation to the number of participants, excluding a category if there are not enough samples in it and/or asking producers to place their coffees into a different category if possible.

### **4. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**

The Organizing Committee will be nominated together by Iiac, Csa, Iiac Japan, Iiac Korea, Iiac Taiwan, Iiac China.

### **5. SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE**

The Scientific Committee will include of university professors if available.

### **6. PRESIDUM**

The Presidium will be made up of members of the Scientific Committee and/or members chosen by the Scientific Committee and/or members chosen by the Organizing Committee who are qualified for the task. Its aim is to guarantee a correct and impartial sensory evaluation of the products entering the competition.



## 7. COUNTRY PARTNERS

*For companies with registered offices in Italy or any other countries except Japan, Korea, Taiwan and China:*

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## **8. APPLICATION**

Companies that wish to take part in the International Coffee Tasting 2016 must send within the the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2015:

1. Application form to the Country Partner;
2. Receipt of the wire transfer, net of bank fees, addressed to the Country Partner:
  - a. € 220,00 (+ VAT accordingly to the legislation of the Country Partner) per sample, if entering only one sample;
  - b. € 200,00 (+ VAT accordingly to the legislation of the Country Partner) per sample, if entering at least three samples;
  - c. € 180,00 (+ VAT accordingly to the legislation of the Country Partner) per sample, if entering at least five samples.
3. Three packages of the same lot of at least 500 g coffee each or a 60 single-doses to the address indicated by the Country Partner. The package shall clearly state: "Sample not for sale for technical tests". Participating companies should completely cover any shipment expenses, custom taxes and any other expenses. Furthermore, the participating companies should provide extra documents requested by the referents that the Organizing Committee will indicate. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to carry out its own comparative analysis and controls.

## **9. LIABILITY**

The Organization declines all responsibility for any possible delay in the delivery of the samples, for their total or partial loss during transportation, for clearing the customs and for their conservation.

## **10. RECEPTION OF THE SAMPLES**

As soon as received, all samples will be kept at room temperature in suitable premises.

## **11. EVALUATION**

The evaluation of samples will be strictly blind and carried out by commissions of not less than five judges, with proven skills, at premises chosen by the Organizing Committee.

The commissions will judge the samples on the base of the method developed and established by Iiac and Csa. Each judge will make the evaluations autonomously and the final score will be calculated through statistical techniques. The verdicts cannot be appealed.

## **12. PRIVACY**

To safeguard the reputation of the participating companies, the Organizing Committee will give publicity only to the awarded products and not to the all the participants. The scores will not be made public. Each participating company will confidentially receive the profile of its own sample(s).

## **13. AWARDS**

Based on the points given, a maximum of 30% of entered products will be awarded ex-aequo the Golden Medal "International Coffee Tasting 2016". The announcement will take place within the 19<sup>th</sup> of November 2016 and then the list of the winners will be published at [www.coffeetasters.org](http://www.coffeetasters.org) and related websites.

## **14. USE OF THE AWARD**

The winners may use the award in their communication in compliance with their national laws, provided that they clearly expose the awarding year.



#### **15. CONTROLS**

The winners of International Coffee Tasting 2016 must allow the Organizing Committee or its delegates to make inspections and eventually take samples at their factories. If they do not entirely respect the Regulation, the winners will lose any conferred award.

#### **16. JURISDICTION AND CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS**

For any controversy, the competent legal authority is that of Brescia (Italy). These regulations can be changed by express request of the competent authorities, or in case the Organization Committee should deem it necessary.



**APPLICATION FORM**

Please send the application form within 01/10/2016 by e-mail, fax or international courier to your Country Partner:

NAME AND SURNAME	
COMPANY	
ADDRESS	
CITY / POST CODE	
PROVINCE / STATE	
COUNTRY	
PHONE	
FAX	
E-MAIL	
WEBSITE	
VAT NUMBER	

**APPLIES**

to the International Coffee Tasting 2016, entirely accepts its regulations and enters the following coffee products:

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Please find in attachment a technical sheet for each product and the receipt of the wire transfer of the application fee, net of bank fees of:

€ \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_ (Euro \_\_\_\_\_)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



**PRODUCT TECHNICAL SHEET # \_\_\_\_\_**

Please fill in a product technical sheet **for each product** entering the competition and send it within 01/10/2016 by e-mail, fax or international courier to your Country Partner:

**NAME OF THE PRODUCT**

\_\_\_\_\_

**CATEGORY**

Blend       Single Origin (please specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

**TYPE**

beans                                       ground coffee                                       single dose

**PREPARATION**

<i>Equipment</i>	<i>Dose (g)</i>	<i>Water per dose (ml)</i>	<i>Extraction Temperature (°C)</i>	<i>Extraction Pressure (bar)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Espresso Machine	7	25	90	9
<input type="checkbox"/> Automatic Home Coffee Machine				
<input type="checkbox"/> Moka				
<input type="checkbox"/> Filter or analogue systems				
<input type="checkbox"/> Single Serve Coffee Machine				
<input type="checkbox"/> Neapolitan Coffee Pot				

<b>PRODUCTION DATE</b>	<b>BEST BEFORE</b>	<b>BATCH NR</b>	<b>PACKAGES PER BATCH</b>
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**COMPETING CATEGORY** (please choose one)

- A - single origins or blends (ground or in beans) for filter, Neapolitan coffee pot or similar extraction methods;
- B - ground single origins or blends for moka (Italian coffee pot);
- C - single origin or blends in beans for automatic non-professional coffee machines;
- D - single-dose single origins or blends;
- E - Italian blends in beans for espresso;
- F - non-Italian blends or single origins in beans for espresso.

**REMARKS**

Additional information about the product, composition of the blend, peculiarity and/or use modality that they want to underline and that the Organization can use for the communication.

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I accept the regulations of the International Coffee Tasting 2016 and I will enter the same above information in the online form provided by the Organization. I authorize the Organization to publish the results of the competition with the data of my Company on the website [www.coffeetasters.org](http://www.coffeetasters.org) and related, and any kind of publicity in case the coffee will be worthy of any of the awards.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_