CTA AT FAQ

1. Does the CTA AT sit full time? How much work will the CTA AT involve?

The Tribunal will sit on an ad'hoc basis, whenever a case is brought before it.

It is difficult to foresee how many cases will be brought to the Tribunal each year. However, as the CTA only has in the range of 35 international members of staff at the moment, it is perhaps difficult to imagine more than one to two cases per year as an average. Depending of the outcome of the upcoming negotiations regarding the Cotonou Agreement by the end of 2018 (that may impact the structure or existence of the CTA), conflicts may arise with the staff members.

2. Where does the Tribunal sit?

The Tribunal will convene, at the CTA's offices or via electronic means, either in plenary session or as a panel of three members.

3. Can members of Tribunal be full-time employees of other institutions?

Yes, provided their terms of employment at the other institution allow them to perform the tasks required by the current position at the CTA AT and that their position at the other institution does not cast any doubt on their independence.

4. What are the conditions of service of the Tribunal?

The members of the Tribunal will be appointed for a renewable term of office of five years.

5. Are there any restrictions with regards to the nationality, of the members of the <u>Tribunal?</u>

Yes, candidates must be nationals of one of the ACP or EU States signatory to the Cotonou Agreement (79 African, Caribbean and Pacific States and the European Union Member States).

6. What is the remuneration for the position?

Each member benching the panel shall receive, for each case concluded, a fixed sum by way of remuneration and his or her reasonable expenses will be reimbursed. The fixed sum payment will be notified to candidates shortlisted for interview but is otherwise confidential.

7. Does the hearing of short-listed candidates require an appearance in person?

The Committee selecting the members of the CTA AT expects that candidates will present themselves in person for interview. However, the Committee will consider conducting interviews via video-conference if relevant candidates can substantiate compelling reasons why their appearance in person is not possible.

8. <u>Is there any flexibility as to the dates for such a hearing?</u>

No, the hearing of short-listed candidates will exclusively be held on during two days within the last week of September 2018.