



GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. ORGANIZATION

The International Institute of Coffee Tasters (hereinafter Iiac) and Good Senses S.r.l. (hereinafter Good Senses) with the support of Centro Studi Assaggiatori Soc. Coop. (hereinafter Csa), Iiac Japan, Iiac Korea, Iiac China and the patronage of the International Academy of Sensory Analysis (Iasa), is organizing "International Coffee Tasting 2021", an international coffee competition to be held in different sessions from 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022 according to the programme published on the website www.internationalcoffeetasting.com.

2. PURPOSES

The aims of International Coffee Tasting 2021 are:

1. to create a competition involving coffees from all over the world in order to highlight the hedonic quality of this product originating from particularly suitable areas, carefully cultivated, skilfully processed, expertly selected and roasted and, where required, masterfully blended;
2. to shine a light on the finest products by showing consumers the best coffees on the market;
3. to stimulate producers to pursue quality in its most modern definition, i.e. consumer satisfaction.

International Coffee Tasting 2021 is open to roasted coffees either blended or of single origin, in beans or ground or single dose or Ready To Drink, ready for the market.

The samples sent must have a clear indication of the lot on the package (lot number and / or roasting date and / or expiration date) and a commercial label. A company can register a maximum of 10 samples in the competition year.

3. CLASSIFICATION OF COFFEES

International Coffee Tasting 2021 is reserved for the following coffee categories:

- A. single origins or blends for preparation with filter, Chemex, V60, Neapolitan coffee makers;
- B. single origins or blends for preparation with moka coffee makers;
- C. single origins or blends in beans for preparation with automatic machines;
- D. single-dose single origins or blends;
- E. blends in beans for espresso;
- F. single-origin beans for espresso;
- G. Ready-To-Drink products (RTD).

The competition organization reserves the right to change the categories in relation to the number of participating samples, possibly excluding samples that are too few in number for a certain type of preparation and/or asking the producers to enter the coffees in another category, where possible.

4. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

The Organizing Committee shall be appointed by mutual agreement by Iiac, Good Senses and Csa.

5. SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

The Scientific Committee shall be made up of university professors, depending on their availability.

6. PRESIDUM

The presidium shall be made up of members of the Scientific Committee and/or people chosen by this body or by the Organizing Committee from among people qualified for the job and has the purpose of ensuring the correct performance of the sensory evaluation of the products participating in the competition.



7. CONTACTS FOR NATIONAL EDITIONS

For companies with registered office in Italy or in another country (excluding Germany, Japan, Korea, China, Central and South America):

International Institute of Coffee Tasters
c/o Good Senses S.r.l.
Galleria Veneto 9
25128 Brescia (Italy)
Tel: +39-030-381558
www.coffeetasters.org
Contact: info@internationalcoffeetasting.com

For companies with registered office in Japan:

Iiac Japan
1-5-29-205, Azabu-Juban, Minato-ku, Tokyo, 106-0045 (Japan)
Tel: +81-3-5411-6619
Fax: +81-3-6438-9990
www.coffeetasters.jp
Contact: info@coffeetasters.jp

For companies with registered office in Korea:

Iiac Korea
Winners Building # 301. 175-2
Jamsil - dong, Songpa-gu, Seoul (Korea)
Tel: +82-2-423-1272
www.coffeetasters.co.kr
Contact: jun1107.lee@gmail.com

For companies with registered office in China:

Shanghai Shika Coffee International Trading Co., Ltd
Room 101, No. 13 Building, No. 335 Guang Hua Road, Min Hang District, Shanghai (China)
Tel: +86-21-54378519
Contact: suci_shi@shikacoffee.com

For companies with registered office in Central and South America:

Vida Sem Fronteiras Cafe Etico (VSF Coffee)
Rua Hortencia 475, Jardim Primavera
13580-000 Ribeirao-Bonito, SP (Brazil)
Tel: +55 14 982071846
Contact: priscillasoares@outlook.com

For companies with registered office in Germany:

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Hochstadenstr. 33
50674 Cologne (Germany)
Tel: +49 221 16845304
Contact: office@fabiodenittis.de

For companies with registered office in Taiwan:

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8. REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

Participants may register according to the deadlines defined by the organizers and published on the website: www.internationalcoffeetasting.com.

Each application must include:

- a. application sent to the relevant Contact;
- b. copy of bank transfer net of bank charges made to the relevant Contact for:

<i>Number of samples</i>	<i>Application fee for UE Countries (+VAT for Italy)</i>	<i>Application fee for Non-UE Countries</i>
1	€ 250,00	€ 300,00
2	€ 500,00	€ 550,00
3	€ 675,00	€ 725,00
4	€ 900,00	€ 950,00
5	€ 1.000,00	€ 1.050,00
6	€ 1.200,00	€ 1.250,00
7	€ 1.400,00	€ 1.450,00
8	€ 1.600,00	€ 1.650,00
9	€ 1.800,00	€ 1.850,00
10	€ 2.000,00	€ 2.050,00

- c. Two packs of the same lot, each of at least 500 grams of coffee, or 60 single doses sent to the address indicated by the relevant Contact. On the package affix a label that reads: "Sample not intended for sale sent for technical tests". Participating companies are required to deliver the samples free of charge and shall bear the costs of shipping, customs clearance and ancillary charges. Participating companies are also required to provide any accessory documents requested by the contacts, which shall be indicated by the Organizing Committee. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to commission its own comparison and control analysis.

9. ORGANIZATION OF THE COMPETITION

The competition shall take place in two phases:

- Gold Medal Sessions: selection sessions (indicated at www.internationalcoffeetasting.com) with the awarding of Gold Medals according to the procedures set out in Art. 14;
- Platinum Medal sessions: sessions reserved exclusively for the first 20% of the Gold Medal ranking with the award of Platinum Medal according to the procedures set out in Article 15.

10. LIABILITY

The organizers accept no liability for any delay in the delivery of the samples with respect to the established date, for the total or partial loss of samples during transport, for customs clearance problems and for the state of conservation of the samples themselves.

11. DELIVERY OF SAMPLES

Upon delivery, the competition samples shall be stored at room temperature in suitable facilities.

12. EVALUATION

Sample evaluation shall be strictly anonymous and shall be performed at the locations identified by the Organizing Committee, by panels composed of no fewer than five judges of proven expertise. The panels shall evaluate the samples according to the method developed by Iiac and Csa. The evaluations shall be expressed independently by each judge and the final score shall be obtained by means of appropriate statistical techniques. The judgements of the panels are final.



13. CONFIDENTIALITY

In order to safeguard the prestige of the participating Companies, the Organizing Committee shall disclose only the list of winning coffees and not the overall list, nor the names of the participating Companies, nor the score assigned to the individual samples. The profiles for the samples presented shall be sent to each participating company in confidential form.

14. RECOGNITION AND GOLD MEDAL AWARDS

In the Gold Medal sessions, coffees with a score higher than 85 shall be awarded, by 31/12/2021 and with equal merit, a Gold Medal for International Coffee Tasting 2021. The share of samples from the same company in one session cannot exceed 30% of the samples in that session. The winners shall be announced at the end of each session and the list of the winners shall be published on the website www.internationalcoffeetasting.com.

15. RECOGNITION AND PLATINUM MEDAL AWARDS

The first 20% of the general Gold Medal ranking has the opportunity to access the selections for the Platinum Medal International Coffee Tasting 2022. If a Gold Medal product does not wish to take advantage of the opportunity, this can be offered to the next winner in the ranking.

In the event of accepting the offer, producers must submit a new application to participate in the second phase of evaluation:

- a. application sent to the relevant Contact;
- b. copy of bank transfer net of bank charges made to the relevant Contact for:

<i>Application fee for UE Countries (+VAT for Italia)</i>	<i>Application fee for non-UE Countries</i>
€ 250,00 for each sample	€ 300,00 for each sample

- c. Two packs of the same lot, each of at least 500 grams of coffee, or 60 single doses sent to the address indicated by the relevant Contact. On the package affix a label that reads: "Sample not intended for sale sent for technical tests". Participating companies are required to deliver the samples free of charge and shall bear the costs of shipping, customs clearance and ancillary charges. Participating companies are also required to provide any accessory documents requested by the contacts, which shall be indicated by the Organizing Committee. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to commission its own comparison and control analysis.

16. USE OF AWARDS

The winning companies may use the Gold Medal and Platinum Medal in their advertising in compliance with the relevant national laws and according to the annexed regulations.

17. CONTROLS

The winners of International Coffee Tasting 2021 must allow the Organizing Committee or its delegates to perform inspections and take any samples from their establishments. Failure to comply in full with the regulations shall lead to the forfeiture of any awards received.

18. JURISDICTION AND CHANGES TO THE REGULATIONS

In the event of dispute, the competent court shall be the Court of Brescia (Italy). These regulations may be subject to change at the express request of the competent authorities or according to needs identified by the Organizing Committee.