



**INTERNATIONAL
COTTON
ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

A Road Map for the creation of the ICAC's Private Sector Advisory Council (PSAC)



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MANDATE OF THE PSAC

The mandate of the Private Sector Advisory Council (PSAC) shall be to foster communication and industry concerns between the private sector and the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) Member governments by consulting with the ICAC Standing Committee and engaging with governments at the ICAC Plenary and other meetings.

Once formed, the Private Sector Advisory Council will be the only cotton-specific organisation in the world that will draw representation from every sector of the cotton value chain on the same platform.



PARTICIPATION

CURRENT PARTICIPATION AT THE PSAP



Individuals-based

Total Members: 33
individuals

Representation from: Traders,
producers, Merchant,
Spinner/Textile



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PARTICIPATION AT THE PSAC



Organisations-Based

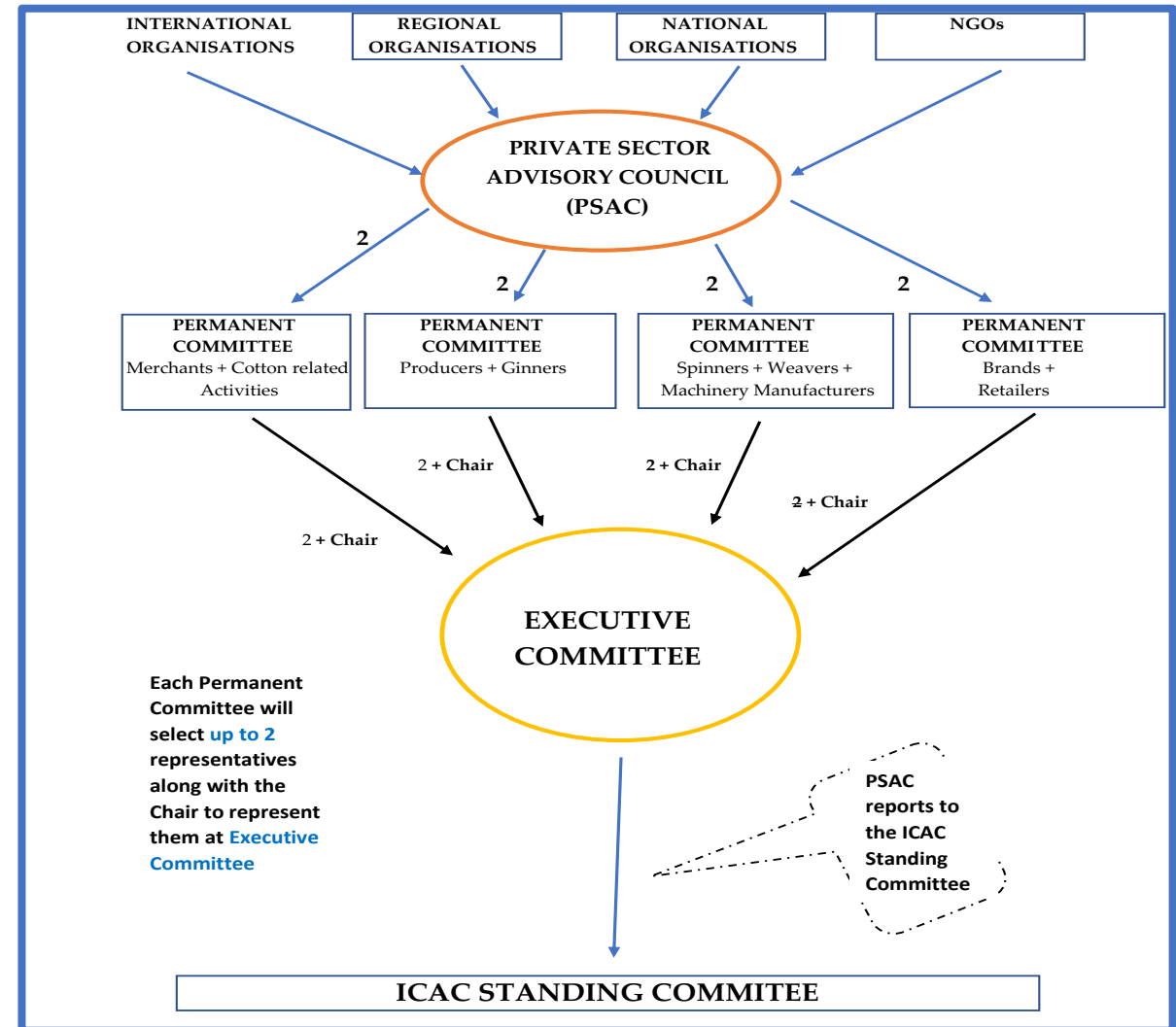
Total Members: more than 100
organisations

Representation from: Merchants,
Traders, Producers, Ginners, Spinners,
Weavers, Machinery Manufacturers,
Brands and Retailors and other cotton
activities

PSAC STRUCTURE

This shows in brief the structure of the PSAC as envisioned.

- Membership of the PSAC
- Participation at the PSAC's Permanent Committees (PCs)
- Composition of the PSAC's Executive Committee
- Relationship between the PSAC and the ICAC



MEMBERSHIP OF THE PSAC

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

An organisation with an area of work and influence at the global level



NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

An organisation with an area of work and influence that originates from or is under the auspices of a specific country

REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS

An organisation with an area of work and influence covering more than 2 countries in the same region

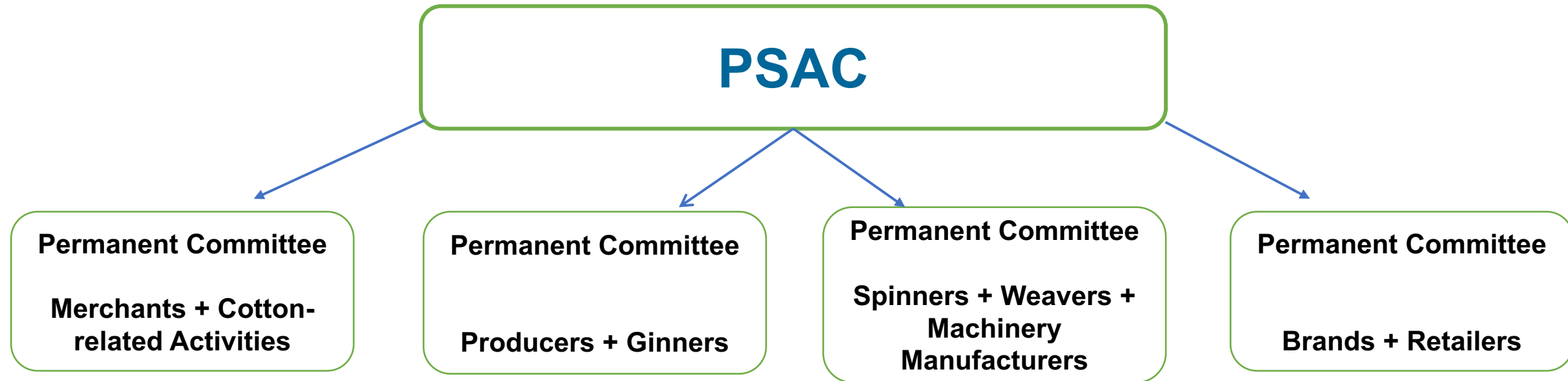
NGOs

Organisations that are independent of government and are not-for-profit

PRIVATE SECTOR ADVISORY COUNCIL (PSAC)



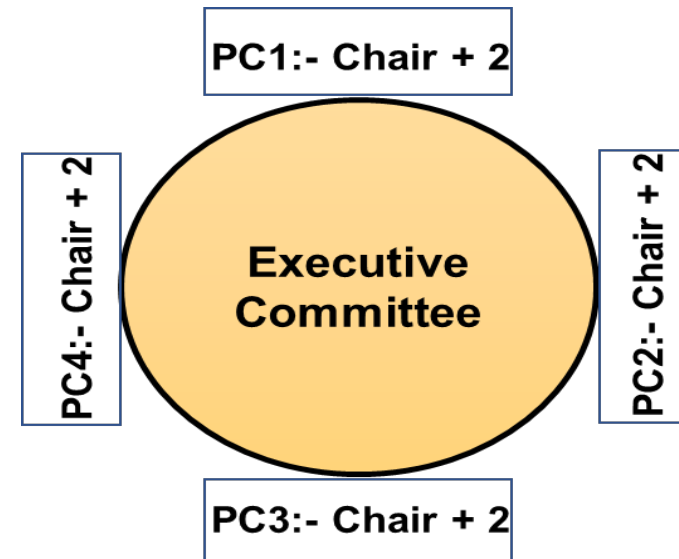
PARTICIPATION AT THE PSAC's PERMANENT COMMITTEE



FORMATION OF THE PSAC's EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

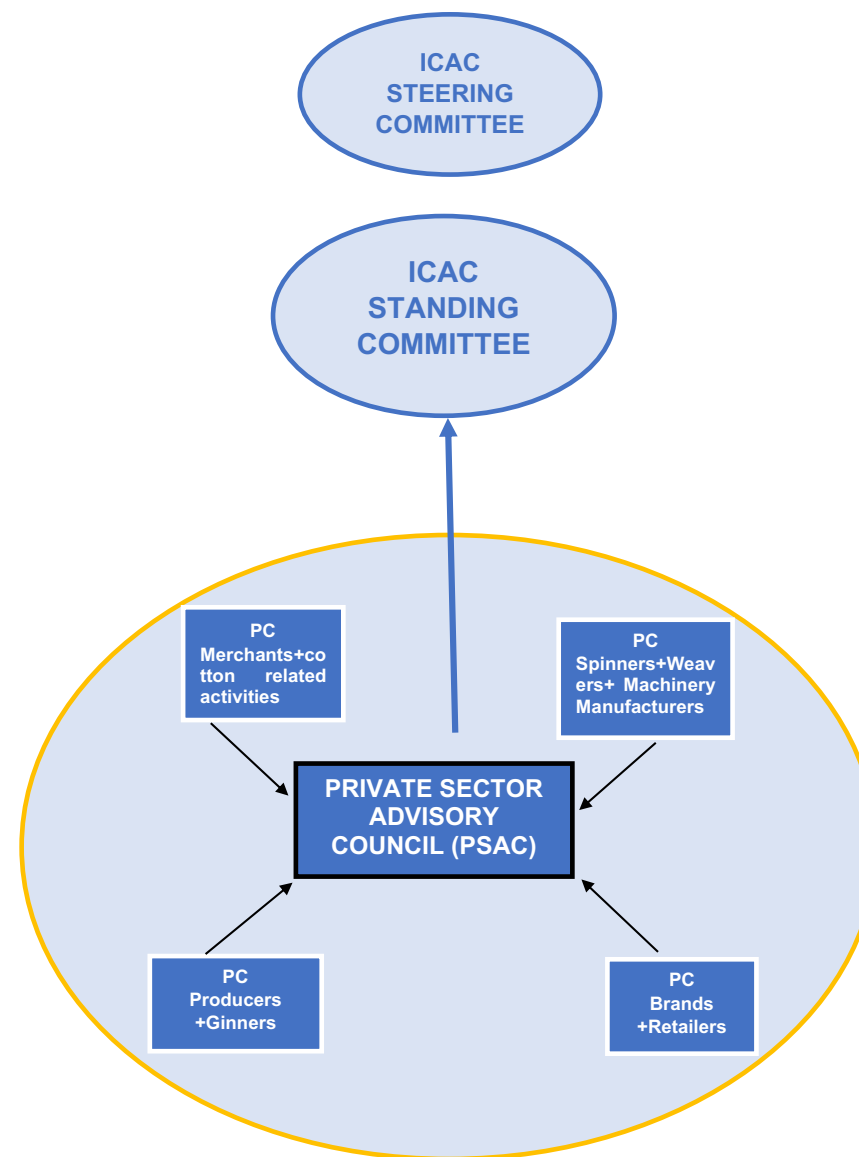
Each Permanent Committee will also select (by consensus) two other Members, in addition to the Chair, to represent their Permanent Committee on the Executive Committee.

The PSAC's Executive Committee therefore will have 12 members (Chair + 2 other representatives from each Permanent Committee) + the ICAC Executive Director and other staff members.



RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PSAC AND THE ICAC

PSAC will hold the same relation that the PSAP currently holds with the ICAC Standing Committee: The PSAC, through its chair, will report all major changes and decisions made at the PSAC to the ICAC Standing Committee and Steering Committee during the ICAC Standing Committee and/or Steering Committee meetings.



PSAC TIMELINE

- **Late June or Early July 2021 – 50th PSAP Meeting**
 - Refining the PSAC's prospective participants list
 - Arranging the contact persons for the identified organizations and their email contacts
 - Designing the invite for the PSAC
- **August – October 2021 - Inviting Organisations to become PSAC members**
 - Invitations to be sent out by the ICAC Secretariat
 - Group calls to explain PSAC concept
- **October and November 2021**
 - Accepting admissions into the PSAC
 - Dividing the participants into the 4 Permanent Committees
- **November 2021**
 - First meeting of the PSAC, ideally before the ICAC's special Virtual Plenary Meeting. (Attempt to make this first meeting of the PC's and PSAC-EC an in-person meeting with virtual link to those who cannot attend in person)



FAQs

- **Are private firms allowed to be PSAC members?**
 - No, private firms can not apply to become PSAC members.
- **Can national organisations from non-ICAC member nations become PSAC members?**
 - National organisations belonging to non-ICAC Member governments may only apply to become observers.
- **Suspension from the PSAC**
 - Should an ICAC Member government become suspended due to non-payment of assessment fees, any associated national association which is a member of the PSAC or of its Permanent Committees, will be given the observer status for a period of one year before it is suspended.
- **Is there a membership fee?**
 - The Executive Committee may decide to set an annual membership fee that should be reviewed annually. In addition, they may also choose to levy an assessment to fund specific projects or initiatives.



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