

## **Columbia's Jeffrey Sachs Proposes Coffee Fund to Help Poor Farmers**

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Fund would invest \$10 billion a year and focus on social protection, improved efficiencies

CAMPINAS, Brazil—The world's coffee farmers are suffering because of low prices on global markets, but a fund investing \$10 billion a year in helping the poorest improve efficiency and increasing their access to health care and education would boost their standard of living, Columbia University Professor Jeffrey Sachs said Wednesday.

Such a fund would focus on social protection for poor farmers, ensuring women aren't discriminated against and preventing child labor, for instance, while providing growers with greater access...

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