

NOTIFICATION

Information workshop on the work of the ad hoc technical expert groups on the monitoring framework, synthetic biology and risk assessment 11 May 2024 – Nairobi, Kenya

Dear Sir or Madam,

As indicated in notification [2024-012](#), dated 2 February 2024, this is to confirm that on 11 May 2024, immediately prior to the twenty-sixth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 26), which will be held from 13 to 18 May 2024, the Secretariat is convening an information workshop on the work of the ad hoc technical expert groups related to three agenda items of SBSTTA 26, namely: the monitoring framework (item 3), synthetic biology (item 5), and risk assessment (item 6). The workshop will inform delegates on the progress made by the ad hoc technical expert group on the monitoring framework and the outcomes of the ad hoc technical expert groups on risk assessment and synthetic biology, to facilitate delegates' deliberations on these agenda items.

Participation in this workshop is open to all Parties and observers registered for SBSTTA 26. Those who wish to participate should inform the Secretariat via a letter signed by the National Focal Point or the head of the organization, as appropriate, to be sent by e-mail to: secretariat@cbd.int, as soon as possible, but no later than **15 April 2024**, to allow enough time for necessary logistics and venue preparation. The financial support of delegates which are being funded by the Secretariat to participate in SBSTTA 26 will also include participation in this workshop. Kindly note that the workshop will be in English and will take place at the SBSTTA 26 meeting venue, in Nairobi, Kenya.

Please accept, Sir, Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) David Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

To: CBD national focal points, SBSTTA focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points, ABS focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations

