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INFORMAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE BIOSAFETY CLEARING-HOUSE (BCH)

Fifth meeting
Montreal, 19-21 October 2009

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Election of officers;
 - (b) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (c) Organization of work.
3. Issues for in-depth consideration:
 - (a) Current status of the BCH;
 - (b) Assessment of recent BCH changes;
 - (c) Assessment of the BCH forum, activities and tools;
 - (d) Assessment of national and regional nodes;
 - (e) Pending requests from the decisions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety:
 - (i) Introduction of online tools for statistical analysis and graphic representations of data;
 - (ii) Study of users and potential users of the BCH;
 - (f) Status of the UNEP-GEF BCH project extension;
 - (g) Draft Strategic Plan of the Cartagena Protocol focusing on the BCH component;
 - (h) Future developments and challenges.
4. Other matters.
5. Conclusions and recommendations.
6. Closure of the meeting.
