

## NAGOYA HIGH LEVEL FORUM ON BIODIVERSITY IN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

Co-hosted by JICA and the CBD Secretariat

26 October 2010, Nagoya, Japan

A high-level panel discussion on biodiversity for development and poverty alleviation was held on 27 May 2008 in Bonn, Germany, on the margin of the high level segment of the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CoP-9). As a result, an initiative on biodiversity for development and poverty alleviation was established within the CBD Secretariat with the support of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (*Bundesministerium für wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit und Entwicklung* - BMZ, Germany), Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Globalization, Development and Partnerships Department (France) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Since its establishment the initiative on biodiversity for development and poverty alleviation has addressed both the environment and the development community by putting together tools, guidelines and other outreach materials for policy makers, other stakeholders, and the general public. Initiatives were undertaken with development partners, such as development cooperation agencies, development banks and United Nations agencies, addressing biodiversity and associated ecosystem services as assets for broader development agendas. In addition, regional biodiversity strategies were supported with the aim to incorporate development and poverty alleviation objectives by working with regional organizations, such as SADC, SGCAN, ACTO, PRCM, COMIFAC and ASEAN<sup>1</sup>.

The *Nagoya High Level Forum on Biodiversity in Development Cooperation* will build on this ongoing work by holding a consultation between Development Cooperation Agencies and Partners prior to the high-level segment of CoP-10. It is a follow-up of two preparatory meetings held on mainstreaming biodiversity in development cooperation; the first one held at the CBD Secretariat in Montreal in May 2009, and the second one hosted by the OECD Secretariat in Paris in February 2010.

The May 2009 Montreal meeting gathered 45 representatives from development cooperation agencies, development banks, United Nations agencies and international non-governmental organizations involved in development cooperation. The group agreed to create an informal network of practitioners and other follow-up activities which led to the second meeting hosted by the OECD Secretariat in Paris<sup>2</sup>.

The *Nagoya High Level Forum on Biodiversity in Development Cooperation* will discuss ways and means for bilateral and multilateral development cooperation agencies to contribute in implementing the revised biodiversity strategy for 2011-2020 by mainstreaming biodiversity into their respective priorities. Based on the dialogue at the May 2009 meeting in Montreal, the discussion will focus on three major components: **coherence** between development and protection of biodiversity, **sharing** experiences of successes and failures to mainstream biodiversity in development cooperation, and **synergies** between agencies in the implementation of the biodiversity-related conventions to reach the Millennium Development Goals.

The *High Level Forum* will also discuss a Declaration on Biodiversity in Development Cooperation to be delivered to the high level segment of CoP-10 scheduled for 27-29 October 2010.

<sup>1</sup> [www.cbd.int/development](http://www.cbd.int/development)

<sup>2</sup> [www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/development/emmbdc-01/official/emmbdc-01-02-en.doc](http://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/development/emmbdc-01/official/emmbdc-01-02-en.doc)

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Room number: Nagoya Congress Centre (conference venue for COP-10)

1:15-4.00 pm; Tuesday, 26 October 2010

- 1:15 – 1:35      Opening remarks**
- Mr. Kenzo Oshima, Senior Vice-President, JICA
  - Mr. Ahmed Djoghla, Executive Secretary, CBD
  - Ms. Monique Barbut, Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson, GEF
  - Ms. Ursula Schaefer-Preuss, Vice-President, Asian Development Bank
  - Mr Olav Kjørven, UN Assistant Secretary General and Director for Bureau of Development Policy, UNDP
- 1:35 – 2:00      Presentations on three key elements for biodiversity in development cooperation**
- Introduction of the speakers and panelist by Mr. Kiyoshi Kodera, Vice-President, JICA and chair of the forum
  - **Coherence:** Reflections on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Offset System on development cooperation  
Mr. Gilles Kleitz, Head of Biodiversity-Natural Resources Program at Agence Française de Développement (France)
  - **Sharing experiences:** German experiences and policy to link biodiversity with development processes and Millennium Development Goals  
Mr. Friedrich Kitschelt, Director General, BMZ, Germany
  - **Synergies:** Policy framework at national level for implementing the revised biodiversity targets and strategic plan and preparing for follow-up prior to COP11  
Mr. Vijai Sharma, Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests (India)
- 2:00- 3:10      Organizational approaches to mainstream the Aichi-Nagoya Strategic Plan in development programs**
- Presentation of the panelists by Mr. Kiyoshi Kodera, Vice-President, JICA
  - HE Maria Mutagamba, Minister for Water and Environment, Uganda
  - Mr. Ambassador Manuel Picasso, ACTO (Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization)
  - Mr. Karl Falkenberg, Director General, Environment, European Commission
  - Ms. Julia Marton-Lefèvre, Director General, IUCN
  - Mr. Emmanuel Ze Meka, Executive Director, ITTO
  - Ms. Jan L. McAlpine, Director of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF)
  - Remarks from the floor
- 3:10 – 3:20      Nagoya High Level Forum Declaration on Biodiversity in Development Cooperation**
- Presentation of the draft Declaration by Ms. Helen Mountford, Deputy Director, Environment, OECD
- 3:20-3:45      Discussion and adoption of the declaration**
- 3:45-4:00      Conclusion**
- Concluding remarks by Mr. Ahmed Djoghla, Executive Secretary of the CBD
  - Chair's summary to be delivered to the high level segment of CoP-10

PS: Seats are reserved only for confirmed participants due to limited capacity of the room