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### CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOP FOR THE INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN ON THE CBD, INCLUDING ARTICLE 8(j) AND ACCESS AND BENEFIT-SHARING

Eighth meeting

Georgetown, Guyana, 16-18 March 2010

### ORGANIZATION OF WORK

#### *Annotations to the provisional agenda*

### INTRODUCTION

1. At its tenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties (COP) adopted several decisions relevant to capacity-building and effective participation of indigenous and local communities in the work of the Convention. In paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of decision X/40 A, the Conference of the Parties welcomes with appreciation the capacity-building efforts for indigenous and local communities by the Secretariat, in partnership with the Government of Spain and the Indigenous Women's Biodiversity Network of the Latin American and Caribbean region, on issues relevant to Article 8(j) and related provisions and Article 15 on access and benefit-sharing, in light of the adoption and implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their utilization, and encourages Parties to continue such efforts. Paragraph 7 of decision IX/13 E, and decision VIII/5 B, and C, the annex to decision VII/16 and annex II to decision V/16, Task 4, also refer to capacity-building initiatives to ensure effective participation of indigenous and local communities in the Convention's work.

2. Pursuant to this decision, the Secretariat is organizing a series of workshops on capacity-building for Indigenous and Local Communities, especially women of Latin America and the Caribbean about the processes of the Convention on Biological Diversity. To date, the following workshops have been conducted by the Secretariat in collaboration with the Indigenous Women's Biodiversity Network of Latin America and the Caribbean (IWBN):

- First workshop: Preparation for the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Panama, 7-8 April 2008;
- Second workshop: Latin American and Caribbean Indigenous and Local Community Capacity-building Workshop on the CBD including Article 8(j) and Access and Benefit-sharing. Montreal, Canada, 29-31 October 2009;
- Third workshop: Southern Cone Region, Buenos Aires, 4-6 February 2010;
- Fourth workshop: Mesoamerican Region, Guatemala City, 4-6 March 2010;
- Fifth workshop: Amazonia, Brasilia, 2-4 June 2010;
- Sixth workshop: Preparatory to COP 10, Panama City, 11-13 August 2010;
- Seventh workshop: Andean Region, Bogota City, 23-25 September 2010.

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3. This new workshop is made possible thanks to the generous financial help of the Governments of Spain and Japan, and the contribution of the Government of Guyana. It is organized by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity in collaboration with the Indigenous Women's Biodiversity Network for the Latin American and Caribbean Region (LAC IWBN) and the Justice Institute of Guyana.

4. The meeting will provide an opportunity to build and strengthen the capacity of indigenous and local community representatives, particularly women, to participate effectively in the work of the Convention on Biological Diversity, especially those issues relevant to Article 8(j) and Article 15.

5. The workshop will take place in Georgetown at the Hotel Grand Coastal Inn, Plantation Le Ressouvenir, ECD, Guyana. Registration of participants will take place at the site of the meeting from 8.30 a.m. to 9 a.m. on 16 March 2011. The Secretariat will distribute an information note containing details of the logistical arrangements for the workshop, including registration, travel information, visa requirements, accommodation and other matters.

## **ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

6. Representatives of the Executive Secretary, representatives of the Government of Guyana, and the Coordinator of the Indigenous Women's Biodiversity Network for Latin American and the Caribbean Region (LAC IWBN), as well as the Justice Institute of Guyana, will inaugurate the meeting at 9.30 am on Wednesday, 16 March 2011. It is also expected to conduct an indigenous ceremony to welcome the participants.

## **ITEM 2. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

### **2.1. Officers**

7. The meeting will be chaired by two representatives of the Secretariat and the coordinator of the Indigenous Women's Biodiversity Network for Latin American and the Caribbean Region (LAC IWBN).

8. A presentation will be made by the local host organization, the Justice Institute.

### **2.2. Adoption of the agenda**

9. They will invite the participants to consider and adopt the provisional agenda that has been prepared by the Secretariat for the workshop.

### **2.3. Organization of work**

10. The workshop will be held in plenary and group sessions, with the methodology of participatory workshop. Each topic will be presented in PowerPoint and some items will include in turn work in groups, after which the leaders of each group will present their findings to the plenary. Annex I includes a list of documents and a list of resources for the workshop.

## **ITEM 3. OVERVIEW OF THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

11. Item 3 will commence with a PowerPoint presentation, including an introduction to the Convention on Biological Diversity, its history, terminology, process and mechanisms.

## **ITEM 4. MECHANISM OF EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE WORK OF THE CONVENTION**

12. Under this item, mechanisms and instruments to promote the effective participation of indigenous and local communities in the work of the Convention, which have been established in the decisions of the Conference of the Parties will be explained to participants. In particular, the operations of the Voluntary Trust Fund for ILCs, the website on Article 8(j) and the portal for traditional knowledge, as well as digital and print documents.

**ITEM 5. OVERVIEW OF ACCESS AND BENEFIT-SHARING (ABS) AND THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL**

13. This item will provide an overview of the new Protocol on access and benefit-sharing related to traditional knowledge and indigenous and local communities.
14. A case-study on access and benefit-sharing associated with traditional knowledge of indigenous and local communities will be presented.

**ITEM 6. OVERVIEW OF ARTICLE 8(j) AND RELATED PROVISIONS AND THE WORK TO DATE**

15. Under this item, the Secretariat will present on Article 8(j) and related articles, background and current relevant issues with emphasis on the revised programme of work.

**ITEM 7. OTHER MATTERS**

16. Under this item, participants can propose to include the consideration of other issues related to the workshop's objective.

**ITEM 8. EVALUATION OF THE TRAINING WORKSHOP**

17. Participants will be invited to give their opinions and proposals for the training workshops in Latin America and future work under the Convention.

**ITEM 9. CLOSURE OF THE WORKSHOP**

18. It is expected that the workshop will close at 5 p.m. on 18 March, 2011.

*Annex I*

**WORKING DOCUMENTS**

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Title</i>
UNEP/CBD/WS-CB/ILC/LAC/8/1	Provisional agenda
UNEP/CBD/WS-CB/ILC/LAC/8/2	Annotations to the provisional agenda
UNEP/CBD/COP/10/1	Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their utilization

**RESOURCE LIST**

PUBLICATIONS	
Convention on Biological Diversity	<a href="https://www.cbd.int/doc/legal/cbd-en.pdf">https://www.cbd.int/doc/legal/cbd-en.pdf</a>
Akwé: Kon Guidelines	<a href="https://www.cbd.int/doc/publications/akwe-brochure-en.pdf">https://www.cbd.int/doc/publications/akwe-brochure-en.pdf</a>
Bonn Guidelines	<a href="https://www.cbd.int/doc/publications/cbd-bonn-gdls-en.pdf">https://www.cbd.int/doc/publications/cbd-bonn-gdls-en.pdf</a>
Nagoya Protocol	<a href="https://www.cbd.int/abs/doc/protocol/nagoya-protocol-en.pdf">https://www.cbd.int/abs/doc/protocol/nagoya-protocol-en.pdf</a>

*Annex II*

**PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK**

Wednesday 16 March 2011	
9.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Opening of the workshop.</li> <li>2. Organizational matters and adoption of the agenda.</li> <li>3. Overview of the Convention on Biological Diversity.</li> </ol>
2 – 5 p.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Mechanisms for effective participation in the work of the Convention.</li> </ol>
Thursday 17 March 2011	
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Overview of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their utilization.</li> </ol>
2 – 5 p.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Overview of Article 8(j) and related provisions and its work to date.</li> </ol>
Friday 18 March 2011	
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Results of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, on Article 8(j) and related provisions.</li> </ol>
2 – 5 p.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. Other matters.</li> <li>9. Evaluation of the capacity-building workshop.</li> <li>10. Closure of the workshop.</li> </ol>

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