

Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity



Biodiversity and Climate Change

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NOTIFICATION

Subject: African Regional Preparatory Meeting for the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity 17-18 May 2008 – Maritim Hotel in Bonn, Germany

Dear Madam/Sir:

I have the honour to inform you that, thanks to the generous financial support of the Government of Spain, the African Regional Preparatory Meeting for the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity will take place on 17-18 May 2008 at Maritim Hotel in Bonn, Germany. The meeting will be assisted by Mr. Charles Gbedemah, Senior Environmental Affairs Officer, who may be reached by phone at: +1 514-287 7032 or by email at charles.gbedemah@cbd.int.

Please find attached herewith the draft provisional agenda for meeting, which was endorsed by the COP Bureau.

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

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NINTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

AFRICAN REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING

17 and 18 May 2008 - Maritim Hotel, Bonn, Germany

DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. Opening of the meeting.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda.
- 3. Report on any preparatory meetings held at sub-regional level.
- 4. Issues for in-depth consideration at COP-9 and formulating regional consensual positions.
- 5. Division of agenda items among representatives and identification of lead countries that coordinate positions and act as spokespersons during the COP-9 deliberations.
- 6. Strategic issues for evaluating progress or supporting implementation, including progress towards the 2010 Biodiversity Target.
- 7. Nomination of two representatives for election to the COP Bureau.
- 8. Coordination and schedule of regional meetings during COP-9.
- 9. Other matters.
- 10. Closure of the meeting.

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