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NOTIFICATION**Online Forum on Capacity-building for Biosafety to support the implementation of the capacity-building action plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety
14 - 18 July 2025**

Dear Sir or Madam,

In [decision CP-10/4](#), Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety adopted the Capacity-building Action Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to facilitate the development and strengthening of the capacities of Parties to implement the Protocol by (a) identifying key areas for capacity-building related to the different goals of the Implementation Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety; (b) facilitating the engagement of partners, including donors; (c) fostering a coherent and coordinated approach to capacity-building for the implementation of the Protocol; and (d) promoting regional and international cooperation and coordination. The Capacity-building Action Plan covers the same period as the Implementation Plan, up to 2030.

In response to the above, I am pleased to convene the Online Forum on Capacity-building for Biosafety to support the implementation of the Capacity-building Action Plan to be held from 14 to 18 July 2025. The Online Forum is being organized to facilitate discussions on capacity-building for biosafety to support the implementation of the Capacity-building Action Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. The discussions will be an opportunity to further elaborate on identified needs and priorities of capacity-building activities and to mobilize a community of stakeholders working together on capacity-building activities.

The Secretariat issued [notification 2025-001](#) inviting governments and organizations to submit information on implementing or funding biosafety capacity-building activities, and requested Parties to review national records published in the Biosafety Clearing-House. Twenty-nine submissions were received in response to this notification. Among the submissions, twenty-two were from Parties and other governments and seven submissions were from relevant organizations. A summary of the submissions is available at <https://www.cbd.int/meetings/CP-CB-OM-2025-01>

I therefore invite Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant organizations to nominate one or more representatives to take part in the Online Forum.

National focal points and Heads of organizations are requested to submit the name(s) and e-mail address(es) of participants via e-mail to secretariat@cbd.int no later than **11 July 2025**.

More information will be provided in due course on how to access the Online Forum.

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

(Signed) Astrid Schomaker
Executive Secretary

To: Cartagena Protocol national focal points, CBD national focal points (where CPB focal points have not yet been designated), relevant organizations, and indigenous peoples and local communities
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