COP 12 BUSINESS AND BIODIVERSITY FORUM

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Parallel Event #4: The Global Partnership

10:00 Opening of Global Partnership Meeting: Status of the Partnership

- David Steuerman, Programme Officer, SCBD
- Reg Melanson, Chair, Global Partnership Interim Executive Committee (Executive Director, Canadian Business and Biodiversity Council)

10:20 GP Panel #1: What are the Opportunities and Challenges for Initiatives and the Global Partnership

Moderator:

 Naoya Furuta, Senior Project Officer, Global Policy Unit, IUCN Japan Project Office (Japan)

Panelists:

- Kristiina Niikkonen, Senior Environmental Adviser, Department of the Natural Environment (Finland)
- Seema Arora, Executive Director, CII-ITC Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Development (India)
- Ciprian Ionescu, Association Orée (France)

11:40 GP Panel #2: What are some of the Outreach Models to Businesses and other Stakeholders

Moderator:

Daan Wensing, Manager Leaders for Nature, Leaders for Nature (IUCN Netherlands)

Panelists:

- Carolin Bossmeyer, Managing Director, Biodiversity In Good Company (Germany)
- Kiruben Naicker, Director: Science Policy Interface, Department of Environmental Affairs (South Africa)
- R. M. Harshini de Silva, Coordinator Sri Lanka B&B Platform (Sri Lanka)

13:00 Lunch (Plenary)

15:00 GP Panel #3: How the Partnership can Contribute to the Mainstreaming of Biodiversity by Business

Moderator:

Richard Spencer, Head of Sustainability, Technical Strategy Department,
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) (UK)

Panelists:

- Elisa Romano, Policy and Industry Specialist, CNI (Brazil)
- Maria Luisa del Rio Mispireta, Advisor to Vice Minister, Strategic Development of Natural Resources, Ministry of Environment (Peru)
- Jung Jun Park, Deputy Director, Biodiversity Division, Ministry of Environment (Republic of Korea)

16:20 GP Panel #4: How to Expand Membership of the Partnership and Future Projects

Moderator:

 Anne Theo Seinen, Biodiversity, DG Environment, European Commission (EU)

Panelists:

- (speaker tbc) China
- Eduard Muller, Rector, Universidad para la Cooperación Internacional, Biodiversity Partnership MesoAmerica
- (speaker tbc) ASEAN

17:40 **Concluding Remarks**

 Reg Melanson, Chair, Global Partnership Interim Executive Committee (Executive Director, Canadian Business and Biodiversity Council)

17:50 **Session Finishes**
