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SCBD and UNDP agree to work together to assist Parties to implement the New Biodiversity Strategy and 2020 Targets

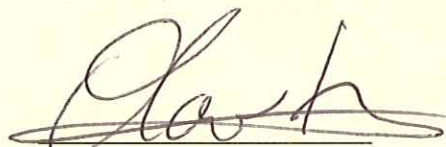
The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (SCBD) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) are both pleased to announce that, in the follow-up to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP-10), held from 18-29 October 2010 in Nagoya, Japan, our respective organizations will cooperate, on the basis of the Memorandum of Understanding signed on 27 May 2008, to assist CBD Parties to rise to the challenge of implementing the new Biodiversity Strategy and 2020 Targets, and national development goals.

More specifically, we have agreed to work together in the following areas:

- (i) Integration of the new Biodiversity Strategy and 2020 Targets into revised National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans to meet the goals of the CBD and other biodiversity-related Conventions;
- (ii) Mainstreaming biodiversity strategies into economic sectors to meet national development goals;
- (iii) Supporting the Programme on Work on Protected Areas;
- (iv) Economic assessment of biodiversity relevant to development and development finance;
- (v) Assisting countries to align their socio-economic activities with natural activities so as to be in harmony with nature in association with the International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI);
- (vi) Capacity building in all aspects of the biodiversity-development interface;
- (vii) Establishing a knowledge platform to distill and share biodiversity-related information at global and local (South-South) levels;
- (viii) Using the extensive network of global, regional and national offices to better integrate the activities described above in national development planning and implementation.

In pursuing the above, SCBD and UNDP will continue to forge alliances with all other development partners and stakeholders.

Signed on this 26th day of October 2010 in Nagoya, Aichi Prefecture, Japan



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