



Convention on Biological Diversity

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International training course on risk assessments of living modified organisms

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Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the workshop.
 2. Overview of biosafety:
 - (a) Introduction to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;
 - (b) Techniques used in modern biotechnology.
 3. National biosafety frameworks:
 - (a) Competent national authorities, practices and principles;
 - (b) Expert advice and the role of risk assessors;
 - (c) National experiences related to biosafety and risk assessments.
 4. Overview of risk assessments:
 - (a) Methodology;
 - (b) Planning phase;
 - (c) Conducting risk assessments;
 - (d) Overarching issues in risk assessments;
 - (e) Preparation of a risk assessment report and recommendation.
 5. Related issues and decision-making considerations.
 6. Introduction to the Biosafety Clearing-House.
 7. Case studies.
 8. Other matters:
 - (a) Related programmes of work under the Cartagena Protocol;
 - (b) Supporting the integration of biosafety targets into the revision of national biodiversity strategies and action plans;
 - (c) International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology.
 9. Conclusions.
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