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INFORMAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ON CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
NAGOYA PROTOCOL

Third meeting

Montreal, Canada, 20-22 March 2018

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

INTRODUCTION

1. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization adopted a strategic framework for capacity-building and development to support the effective implementation of the Nagoya Protocol ([decision NP-1/8](#), annex I). It also established an informal advisory committee on capacity-building to provide the Executive Secretary with advice on matters of relevance to the assessment of the effectiveness of the strategic framework (decision NP-1/8, para. 2).
2. The terms of reference of the Informal Advisory Committee, as stipulated in decision 1/8, annex II, include providing advice regarding the following:
 - (a) Stocktaking of the capacity-building and development initiatives being implemented by Parties and various organizations with a view to identifying gaps in the implementation of the strategic framework;
 - (b) The need for the development of new tools, guidelines and training materials, including e-learning modules, to facilitate capacity-building and development initiatives of Parties, other Governments, indigenous and local communities and other stakeholders;
 - (c) Facilitation of coordination, synergy, coherence and complementarity among capacity-building and development activities, taking into account information on capacity-building and development needs and activities available in the [Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-house](#) and from other sources;
 - (d) Facilitation for matching the capacity-building and development needs identified by Parties with potential opportunities and resources to support the implementation of the strategic framework.
3. Two meetings of the Informal Advisory Committee were held during the biennium 2015-2016, from 15 to 17 September 2015 and from 15 to 17 June 2016, respectively. The reports of these meetings are available at: <https://www.cbd.int/meetings/ABSCBIAC-2015-01> and <https://www.cbd.int/meetings/ABSCBIAC-2016-01>.
4. At its second meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol decided that the Informal Advisory Committee would hold at least one meeting, and online consultations as needed, to complete its mandate and report on the outcomes of its work to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties at its third meeting ([decision NP-2/8](#), para. 4).

5. Taking into account that a number of countries have become Parties to the Nagoya Protocol since the Informal Advisory Committee was first established, there was a need to renew the composition of the Committee for this intersessional period on the basis of new nominations from Parties to the Protocol.

6. A notification ([SCBD/SPS/DC/VN/RKi/86870](#)) was issued on 3 November 2017 inviting the nomination of experts for participation in the Informal Advisory Committee. From the nominations received, 14 experts from Parties and 3 experts from indigenous peoples and local communities were selected on the basis of their experience and active engagement in ABS capacity-building, equitable geographic representation and gender balance, in accordance with the terms of reference in decision NP-1/8, annex II. Due to the small number of nominations received from Parties in the regional group Central and Eastern Europe (CEE), only two members from this region could be selected instead of three. Representatives from international and regional organizations involved in capacity-building to support the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol were also invited to participate in the Informal Advisory Committee. The new composition of the Informal Advisory Committee was announced in notification [SCBD/SPS/DC/VN/RKi/86870](#) issued on 25 January 2018.

7. The third meeting of the Informal Advisory Committee will be held in Montreal, Canada, from 20 to 22 March 2018. The documents for the meeting are listed in annex I, and an information note containing detailed information regarding logistical arrangements for the meeting will be made available on the Secretariat's website at: <https://www.cbd.int/meetings/ABSCBIAC-2018-01>.

ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

8. The meeting will be opened by the Executive Secretary at 9.30 a.m. on 20 March 2018.

ITEM 2. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

9. The Committee will be invited to elect a Chair for the meeting on the basis of proposals from the floor.

10. The Committee will also be invited to adopt the agenda of the meeting on the basis of the provisional agenda prepared by the Executive Secretary CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/1 and then to consider its organization of work on the basis of the draft proposal contained in annex I below.

11. The meeting will be held in English only.

ITEM 3. UPDATE ON EXISTING CAPACITY-BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES AND RESOURCES SUPPORTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL AND LESSONS LEARNED

12. Under this agenda item, the Committee will be invited to consider developments regarding capacity-building and development initiatives and resources supporting the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol, as well as lessons learned.

13. The Secretariat will introduce a document providing an update on developments since the second meeting of the Parties to the Protocol regarding ABS capacity-building and development initiatives and resources supporting the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol (CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2, CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2/Add.1 and CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2/Add.2). The Secretariat will then make a short presentation of the capacity-building platform currently being developed as part of the ABS Clearing-House as well as capacity-building activities undertaken by the Secretariat.

14. Committee members will then be invited to provide updates on developments related to capacity-building to support the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol, including capacity development initiatives on access and benefit-sharing as well as relevant tools and resources developed since the second meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. Moreover, Committee members will be invited to share recent experiences and lessons learned. As part of the update on key lessons learned, Committee members will be invited to share how they are capturing, packaging and disseminating the lessons.

15. Following the presentations, the Committee will be invited to address a number of issues, including the following:

(a) Validate the information compiled by the Secretariat on capacity-building initiatives (CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2/Add.1) and capacity-building tools and resources (CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2/Add.2);

(b) Discuss ways to improve the sharing of information on capacity-building initiatives published in the ABS Clearing-House. Specific proposals presented in section IV of CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2 will be discussed;

(c) Discuss whether any capacity-building resources are missing from the table compiled by the Secretariat and whether there is a need to develop additional resources;

(d) Provide general recommendations to improve the use of the ABS Clearing-House for sharing information on capacity-building initiatives, tools and resources;

(e) Provide feedback on the ABS capacity-building platform being developed by the Secretariat;

(f) Discuss recurring limitations with regards to thematic and geographical coverage of the capacity-building initiatives with a view to identifying issues that could be addressed in more depth at future meetings of the Informal Advisory Committee;

(g) Discuss how best to capture, package and disseminate lessons that could improve the design and implementation of future capacity-building initiatives. Specific proposals made in section IV of CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2 will be discussed;

(h) Further discuss ways of enhancing synergies and coordination among initiatives, as well as ways of addressing gaps in the coverage of existing capacity-building initiatives.

ITEM 4. ELEMENTS FOR THE EVALUATION OF THE STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR CAPACITY-BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPORT THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL

16. In decision NP-1/8, paragraph 10(f), the Executive Secretary was requested “to prepare an evaluation of the strategic framework for capacity-building and development in 2019 and submit the evaluation report for consideration by the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol in 2020 to facilitate the review and possible revision of the strategic framework in conjunction with the review of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020”.

17. Moreover, at its second meeting, in decision NP-2/8, paragraph 10, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol requested the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Informal Advisory Committee, to prepare, during the intersessional period, elements for the evaluation of the strategic framework, in accordance with decision NP-1/8, paragraph 10(f), for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol at its third meeting.

18. In response to this request, the Executive Secretary has issued a document proposing key elements to be considered for the evaluation of the strategic framework (CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/3). Under this sub-item, the Committee will be invited to provide feedback and advice on the following:

(a) Objectives of the evaluation;

(b) Methodology and sources of information, including a proposed set of questions and sub-questions;

(c) Expected output and outcomes.

19. Furthermore, Committee members will be requested to provide inputs on the possible renewal of the mandate of the Informal Advisory Committee for an additional meeting to be held prior to the fourth meeting of the Parties to the Protocol.

ITEM 5. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

20. On the last day of the meeting, the participants will be invited to consider and adopt a report summarizing the outcomes of the meeting.

ITEM 6. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

21. The meeting is expected to close at 5 p.m. on Thursday, 22 March 2018.

Annex I

PROPOSED PROGRAMME OF WORK

20 March 2018 9 a.m. – 9.15 a.m.	Agenda item: 1. Opening of the meeting.
9.15 – 9.30 a.m.	Agenda item: 2. Organizational matters: 2.1. Election of officers; 2.2. Adoption of the agenda; 2.3. Organization of work.
9.30 – 11 a.m.	Agenda item: 3. Update on existing capacity-building and development initiatives and resources supporting the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol and lessons learned
11 – 11.30 a.m.	Coffee/tea break
11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Agenda item 3 (<i>continued</i>)
1 p.m. – 2 p.m.	Lunch break
2 – 3.30 p.m.	Agenda item 3 (<i>continued</i>)
3.30 – 4 p.m.	Coffee/tea break
4 – 5.30 p.m.	Agenda item 3 (<i>continued</i>)
21 March 2018 9 – 10.30 a.m.	4. Elements for the evaluation of the strategic framework for capacity-building and development to support the effective implementation of the Nagoya Protocol
10.30 – 11 a.m.	Coffee/tea break
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Agenda item 4 (<i>continued</i>)
1 – 2 p.m.	Lunch break
2.00 – 3.30 p.m.	Agenda item 4 (<i>continued</i>)
3.30 – 4.00 p.m.	Coffee/tea break
4.00 – 5.30 p.m.	Agenda item 4 (<i>continued</i>)
22 March 2018 9 – 10.30 a.m.	Agenda items 3 and 4 (<i>continued</i>)
10.30 – 11 a.m.	Coffee/tea break
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Agenda item 3 and 4 (<i>continued</i>)
1 – 2 p.m.	Lunch break
2 – 5 p.m.	Agenda items: 5. Adoption of the report 6. Closure of the meeting

Annex II

LIST OF DOCUMENTS

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Title</i>
CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/1	Provisional agenda
CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/1/Add.1	Annotated provisional agenda
CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2	Update on existing capacity-building and development initiatives and resources supporting the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol and lessons learned
CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2/Add.1	Overview of capacity-building and development initiatives providing direct support to countries for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol
CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/2/Add.2	Overview of access and benefit-sharing capacity-building tools and resources
CBD/ABS/CB-IAC/2018/1/3	Elements for the evaluation of the strategic framework for capacity-building and development to support the effective implementation of the Nagoya Protocol

B. Information documents

[UNEP/CBD/NP/COP-MOP/DEC/1/8](#)

Measures to assist in capacity-building and capacity development (Article 22)
