
**Multilateral Mechanism for the Fair and Equitable Sharing
of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information
on Genetic Resources, Including the Cali Fund**

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Adoption of the operations manual outline

**Outline of the operations manual of the Cali Fund for the Fair and
Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence
Information on Genetic Resources**

**Note by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity acting as the interim
Secretariat of the Multilateral Mechanism for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits
from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources, including the Cali Fund**

1. In the terms of reference of the Cali Fund for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources, the Secretariat of the Multilateral Mechanism for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources, including the Cali Fund, is tasked with developing an operations manual within six months of the establishment of the Fund, for review and approval by the Steering Committee. The terms of reference also contain a list of suggested elements for inclusion in the operations manual.
2. The annex to the present document contains a draft outline of the operations manual, for consideration by the Steering Committee.

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Annex

Draft outline of the operations manual for the Cali Fund for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits From the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources

Abbreviations

Chapter 1. Introduction

Chapter 2. Governance arrangements

Chapter 3. Fund administration

Chapter 4. Programme cycle

Chapter 5. Monitoring, evaluation, reporting, audit and learning

Chapter 6. Risk management

Chapter 7. Fund closure

Chapter 8. Communication and public disclosure

Chapter 9. Amendment of the Operations Manual

Annexes
