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Third Meeting

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 15-19 June 2010

Information Note for Participants

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1. Opening and registration

The Third meeting of the Group of the Friends of the Co-Chairs on Liability and Redress in the context of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety will be held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from Tuesday, 15 to Saturday, 19 June 2010.

The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 15 June 2010, and registration will take place at the venue of the meeting at 8:30 a.m. the same day.

2. Venue

The meeting will be held at:

Novotel Kuala Lumpur City Centre Hotel

2 Jalan Kia Peng

50450 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Tel (+60)3/21470888

Fax (+60)3/21470889

E-Mail: info@novotelklcitycentre.com

3. Working language of the meeting

The meeting will be held in English.

4. Documents

Participants are kindly reminded to bring their own copies of the pre-session documents for the meeting as there will be no extra copies made available on site during the meeting. Documents are available on the Secretariat's web site at:



<http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=BSGFLR-03>

5. General information on access to Kuala Lumpur



The city of Kuala Lumpur is serviced by the Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA). Kuala Lumpur city centre is about 43 km from the airport

Taxis and limousines are readily available for hire from KLIA terminal to Kuala Lumpur city centre. Participants should purchase (for approximately US \$25) a pre-paid coupon at the taxi/limousine counter situated in the Arrival Hall before proceeding to the taxi stand.

The train service known as KLIA Express (fare MYR 35.00 – approximately US \$11) is available from KLIA to Kuala Lumpur Sentral Station (KL Sentral). Information on the train service can be obtained from the information desk located at the KLIA terminal or from the following web site: <http://www.kliaexpres.com/erlsb/KLIATransit/tabid/96/Default.aspx>.

From KL Sentral, taxis are available to the meeting venue at a cost of MYR30.00 (approximately US \$9.40). Alternatively, participants can also transfer to Monorail at KL Sentral and go to Raja Chulan Station at a cost of MYR2.10 (approximately US \$0.70). Raja Chulan Station is approximately 4 minutes walking time to Novotel Hotel.

6. Visa information

Participants from countries listed below require an entry visa for Malaysia and are strongly advised to contact the nearest Malaysian diplomatic or consular mission **as soon as possible** in order to secure the required entry visa in a timely manner, prior to departure.

Information on visa procedures, including a list of relevant Malaysian Diplomatic/consular missions abroad, is available on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia at: <http://www.kln.gov.my/>

To facilitate the issuance of visas, the Secretariat will issue upon request invitation letters to be attached to the visa applications.

List of countries whose citizens require a visa to enter Malaysia

Afghanistan	Congo, Republic of	Mali
Angola	Côte d'Ivoire	Montenegro
Bangladesh	Croatia	Mozambique
Bhutan	Djibouti	Myanmar
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Equatorial Guinea	Nepal
Bukina Faso	Eritrea	Niger
Burundi	Ethiopia	Nigeria
Cameroon	Ghana	Pakistan
Central African Republic	Guinea-Bissau	Rwanda
China	India	Serbia
Colombia	Israel	Slovenia
Comoros	Liberia	Sri Lanka
Congo, Democratic Republic of the		The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

7. Health information

A yellow fever vaccination certificate is required from travellers arriving within 6 days from countries with risk of yellow fever transmission.

For more information, please consult a medical professional with regard to the vaccination requirements for your travel.

8. Hotel information



A block booking with special rates has been made on behalf of participants at the Novotel Kuala Lumpur City Centre Hotel (the meeting venue) as follows:

Hotel & Address	Contact No.	Room type	Room Rates (per night)
Novotel Kuala Lumpur City Centre Hotel 2 Jalan Kia Peng 50450 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Tel: +603-21470888 Fax: +603-21470889 E-mail: sm1@novotelklcitycentre.com saleco3@novotelklcitycentre.com Web site: http://www.novotel.com/gb/hotel-6324-novotel-kuala-lumpur-city-centre/index.shtml	Superior	MYR 255.00++ (with breakfast for one) MYR 280.00++ (with breakfast for two)
		Executive	MYR 285.00++ (with breakfast for one) MYR 310.00++ (with breakfast for two)
		Executive Premier Floor	MYR 355.00++ (with breakfast for one) MYR 380.00++ (with breakfast for two)
		Junior Suite	MYR 425.00++ (with breakfast for one) MYR 450.00++ (with breakfast for two)

Note: US \$1 = (approx.) MYR 3.23

For a room reservation at Novotel Kuala Lumpur City Centre, participants have to fill the reservation form in **ANNEX I**. Participants are kindly reminded that they have to confirm their reservations by communicating with Ms. Angie or Ms. Aidill from Novotel Hotel by **01 June 2010** to benefit from the special room rates mentioned above and to ensure the room is secured. Please take note that mid June is a tourist peak season in Malaysia.

Other Hotels near to the meeting venue (Novotel Hotel) are as listed below:

No.	Hotel & Address	Contact No.	Room type	Room Rates (per night)
1.	Crown Plaza Mutiara Hotel (5 Star) Jalan Sultan Ismail Kuala Lumpur, 50250 Malaysia (Distance to Novotel Hotel: 220 m, approximately 5 minutes by foot)	Tel: +603 21463616 Fax: +603 21463887 Email : reservation@crowneplazamutiarakl.com Web site: http://www.crowneplazakl.com/cpkl/crowne-plaza-kualalumpur.html	Deluxe	MYR 325.00 ++ (with 1 breakfast) MYR 365.00++ (with 2 breakfast)

No.	Hotel & Address	Contact No.	Room type	Room Rates (per night)
2.	Dorsett Regency Hotel (4 Star) 172 Jalan Imbi 55100 Kuala Lumpur Malaysia (Distance to Novotel Hotel: 800 m, approximately 11 minutes by foot)	Tel: +603-2715 1000 Fax: +603-27161138 E-mail: nadieah.noor@dorsettregency.com.my Website: http://www.dorsettregency.com.my/kl/	Deluxe	MYR 230.00++ (with one breakfast) MYR 250.00++ (with two breakfast)
3.	Corus Hotel (4 Star) Jalan Ampang, 50450 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (Distance to Novotel Hotel: 1.1 km, approximately 5 minutes by car, 15 minutes by foot)	Tel: +603-2161 8888 Fax: +603-21623428 E-mail: corporate.sales@corushotelkl.com Website: http://www.corushotelkl.com/	Deluxe	MYR 235.00++ (with one breakfast) MYR 255.00++ (with two breakfast)
4.	Pacific Regency Hotel Suites (4 Star) Menara PanGlobal, Jalan Punchak Off Jalan P.Ramlee 50250 Kuala Lumpur Malaysia (Distance to Novotel hotel: 1.2 km, approximately 5 minutes by car, 16 minutes by foot)	Tel: +603 2332 7777 Fax: +603 2031 2492 E-mail: reservation@pacific-regency.com Website: http://www.pacificregency.com/index.html	Superior Suite	MYR 275.00++ (with one breakfast) MYR 295.00++ (with two breakfast)

Note: US \$1 = MYR 3.23 (approx.)

Other information on hotels including tourist information is available at the official web site of tourism Malaysia at: <http://www.tourism.gov.my/>

9. The Daily Subsistence Allowances (DSA)

Sponsored participants will receive their DSA on the first day of the meeting during registration.

10. Official language in Malaysia

The official language of Malaysia is Malay (Bahasa Malaysia), However, English is widely spoken as are a number of Chinese and Indian dialects.



11. Weather and time zone information

In June, temperatures in Kuala Lumpur usually range between a maximum of +32.7°C and a minimum of +23.6°C. Current weather conditions can be found at: <http://www.worldweather.org/020/c00082.htm>

The standard time zone will be GMT/UTC + 8 hours.

12. Electricity

The electrical currents are 240 volts, 50 Hertz as shown in the illustration below.



13. Currency



The currency in Malaysia is the Malaysian Ringgit (MYR). The current exchange rate as at 5 May 2010 is US \$1 = MYR 3.23 and (Euro) € 1 = MYR 4.19

14. Contact persons

You may contact any of the following officers from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment Malaysia, for any further information:

Name	Tel	e-mail
Mr. Nazir Khan	+603-8886 1783	nazir@nre.gov.my
Ms. Noor Haliza	+603-8886 1667	noorhaliza@nre.gov.my

15. Disclaimer

The CBD Secretariat and the host disclaim all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability compensation, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other loss that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation. In this regard, it is strongly recommended to secure international medical insurance for the period of participation prior to departure.



KUALA LUMPUR
CITY CENTRE

Ministry of Natural Resources Environment
3rd Meeting of The Group of The Friends of The Co-chairs on Liability &
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a) HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

Hotel accommodations have been reserved at **Novotel Kuala Lumpur City Centre** for the above said event. Confirmation should be sent directly to the Hotel to secure your room reservations before 01 June 2010. Please fax this booking form to the direct contact person as stated below. **Any bookings after the cut-off date below will be based on space available basis.**

ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES:-

Superior Room : Single - RM 255.00++ / Double - RM 280.00++

(Rates quoted inclusive of 01 x Breakfast)

Executive Room : Single - RM 285.00++ / Double - RM 310.00++

(Rates quoted inclusive of 01 x Breakfast and Broadband Internet)

Executive Premier Room : Single - RM 355.00++ / Double - RM 380.00++

Junior Suite : Single - RM 425.00++ / Double - RM 450.00++

Executive Premier Rooms & Junior Suite Benefits and Services

- Complimentary Breakfast at Premier Lounge
- Usage of Premier Lounge facilities
- Personal check-in and check-out date at Premier Lounge located on the 28th floor
- Complimentary broadband internet access
- Complimentary local calls to land line numbers
- Free of charge for 1 children below 16 years old sharing same room with parents with existing bedding inclusive of complimentary breakfast
- Complimentary evening cocktail and canapés at Premier Lounge between 5:30pm to 7:30pm
- Complimentary usage of Premier Lounge meeting room up to maximum of 2 hours per stay

THE ABOVE ROOM RATES ARE INCLUSIVE OF BUFFET BREAKFAST & SUBJECT TO 10% SERVICE CHARGE AND 5% GOVT TAX.

2. NAME OF GUESTS

Number of room required: _____

Surname	First Name	Check In Date / Time of arrival	Check Out Date / Time of Departure

Company : _____

Business Address : _____

Street Address or P O Box Number

City

State

Country

Telephone number

Facsimile number

Check-in time is at 1400H and check-out time is at 1200H. * Half day room charge will apply for late check-out till 1800H. Rooms occupied beyond 1800H will be charged a full-day rate.

NO BOOKINGS CAN BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT CREDIT CARD DETAILS OR ONE-NIGHT DEPOSIT. IN THE EVENT OF NO SHOW FOR A GUARANTEED BOOKING, A ONE NIGHT'S DEPOSIT ROOM RATE WILL BE FORFEITED.

Name of cardholder: _____

Credit card type (please tick) AMEX VISA DINERS MASTER

Credit card No. _____ Expiry Date _____

(If AMEX, please provide ID code)

Signature: _____

FAX / EMAIL THIS HOTEL BOOKING FORM TO:

Sales & Marketing Department

Ms Angie Hew / Ms Noor Aidill
Novotel Kuala Lumpur City Centre
No 2 Jalan Kia Peng, 50450 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Tel no : (60-3) 2147 0888
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Email : sm1@novotelklcitycentre.com /
saleco3@novotelklcitycentre.com