National Clearing-House Mechanism, Strategy and Action Plan

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Why a Strategy and Action Plan for the CHM?

Decisions X/15 and IX/30 ask Parties to develop NSAP for CHM or integrate CHM component in NBSAP

Rational behind:

- National CHMs are not used to their full potential by many parties.
- •Parties ask many things of the CHM in COP decisions however no guidance on national level.
- Decision makers are not aware of the role of the CHM





Why a Strategy and Action Plan for the CHM?

CHM strategy and action plan will:

- Put the CHM on the political agenda
- •Guidance for biodiversity community of their role in the CHM and benefits for them
- Structure for CHM put in place
- •Possible budgetary allocation?





Stages for the development of the strategy

Same as for other strategies, survey of:

- the actual situation of existing CHM
- Possible partners
- Existing other initiatives that can contribute
- Comparison with other CHMs
- Sources of information





Stages for the development of the strategy

Discussion on possible role for CHM based on the survey with core group of partners

Development of first draft

Public consultation

Second draft followed by the development of possible actions.

Workshop on final draft and actions

Acceptance by parlement





Organisation of the CHM

National steering committee:

- •5-10 members: National focal point for CBD, people from governmental organisations, Universities and NGO's
- Meeting 2 times a year
- Review of steps taken
- •Guidance on work for short and long term for focal point and partners
- Validation of some information on the CHM





Organisation of the CHM

CHM national focal point appointed.

Secondary focal point appointed.

Mandate through the strategy and from the Steering Committee

Development of partner agreements with clear role and deliverables by the partners

Website development





Lessons from other countries

Not many countries have developed their strategy yet

Some comments:

- •The investment in time and budget to develop the strategy is worthwhile
- First time clear mandate for work
- Small budget will be voted in the coming year(s)
- Easier to develop, submit and be integrated in projects as clear mandate





Thanks for your attention



