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### INFORMAL CONSULTATION ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STRATEGY FOR RESOURCE MOBILIZATION IN SUPPORT OF THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE CONVENTION'S OBJECTIVES

Second meeting

Geneva, Switzerland, 20 January 2008

Item 2 of the provisional agenda\*

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

#### *Annotations to the provisional agenda*

### INTRODUCTION

1. At its eighth meeting in May 2006, the Conference of the Parties, by paragraph 4 of decision VIII/13, requested the Executive Secretary, in consultation with Parties, Governments and relevant partners, to explore all options for resource mobilization including innovative financial mechanisms and to develop a draft strategy for resource mobilization in support of the achievement of the objectives of the Convention, taking into account the elements of the in-depth review, and to present a report on these options and the draft strategy to the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties through the Ad Hoc Open Ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention.

2. At its second meeting, the Ad Hoc Open Ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention examined the report by the Executive Secretary on options and a draft strategy for resource mobilization in support of the achievement of the objectives of the Convention, including innovative financial mechanisms (UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/2/4). In its recommendation 2/2 (Options and a draft strategy for resource mobilization in support of the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity), paragraph 2, the Ad Hoc Open Ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention requested the Executive Secretary in preparation for the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to:

(a) Seek views and further suggestions from Parties, other Governments, regional economic integration groups, partner organizations, donors and observers on a strategy for resource mobilization, and compile the information received;

(b) Undertake informal consultations on the development of the strategy for resource mobilization in conjunction with the Convention's inter-sessional meetings;

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(c) Submit a draft strategy for consideration of the Conference of the Parties at its ninth meeting.

3. Pursuant to Recommendation 2/2, paragraph 2(a), of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention, the Executive Secretary issue a Notification (2007-090) dated 18 July 2007 to seek views and further suggestions from Parties and relevant organizations, and received one submission from Portugal and the European Commission, on behalf of the European Community and its Member States. Pursuant to Recommendation 2/2, paragraph 2(b), the first consultation on the development of a strategy for resource mobilization was held in Montreal, Canada on 13 October 2007.

4. The second informal consultation on the development of a strategy for resource mobilization will be held at the International Environment House, UNEP Regional Office for Europe, Geneva, Switzerland on Sunday, 20 January 2008 from 9:00 am to 10:30 am.

### **ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

5. The informal consultation will be opened by a representative of the President of the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 January 2008. The Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity will make opening remarks and give a brief background to the meeting, including its objectives and expected outcomes.

### **ITEM 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

6. The informal consultation will be chaired by the representative of the President of the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

7. Meeting participants will be invited to adopt the agenda on the basis of the provisional agenda circulated as document UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/1.

8. A list of documents for the informal consultation is contained in annex I below. Additional documents may be made available prior to or during the meeting.

9. The informal consultation will be conducted in English only.

### **ITEM 3. DRAFT STRATEGY FOR RESOURCE MOBILIZATION IN SUPPORT OF THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE CONVENTION'S OBJECTIVES**

10. The second meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention recommended that the Conference of the Parties adopt a strategy for resource mobilization to support implementation of the Convention at its ninth meeting. The purpose of the Strategy for Resource Mobilization is to foster a shared vision of ensuring financial support to translating global biodiversity consensus into national and local biodiversity achievements and provide guidance on implementing the financial provisions of the Convention at all levels, drawing on success stories and good practices.

11. Based on the results of the first informal consultation held in Montreal, Canada on 13 October 2007, the Executive Secretary issued a preliminary revised draft of the strategy for resource mobilization

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on 26 October 2007, and invited Parties, Governments, and relevant organizations to submit comments/views/suggestions on the draft strategy on resources mobilization, no later than 30 November 2007. The submissions received in this connection are compiled in information document UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/INF/1, and the background note for the first informal consultation is reproduced in information document UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/INF/2. On the basis of the submissions, the Executive Secretary prepared a draft version of the strategy for resource mobilization in support of the achievement of the Convention's objectives and received the input from the Secretariat of the Global Environment Facility, both of them are contained in UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/2.

12. Under this item, participants will be invited to exchange views on the proposed draft strategy for resource mobilization together with the input from the Secretariat of the Global Environment Facility and make suggestions on its further development and refinement.

#### **ITEM 4. CONCLUSIONS AND NEXT STEP**

13. Participants will be invited to consider conclusions of the discussions and agree on next steps for further informal consultation, if necessary.

#### **ITEM 5. OTHER MATTERS**

14. If time permits, participants will be invited to consider the draft of a message on finance and biological diversity contained in document UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/INF/3, and provide advices on its revision and refinement.

15. Under this item, participants may also wish to raise any other matters relevant to the matters before this informal consultation.

#### **ITEM 6. CLOSURE OF THE WORKSHOP**

16. The informal consultation is expected to end at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, 20 January 2008.

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*Annex I*

**PROVISIONAL LIST OF DOCUMENTS**

**DOCUMENTS:**

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Title</i>
UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/1	Provisional agenda
UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/1/Add.1	Annotations to the provisional agenda
UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/2	Draft strategy for resource mobilization in support of the achievement of the Convention's objectives
UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/INF/1	Compilation of submissions on the development of a strategy for resource mobilization in support of the achievement of the Convention's objectives
UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/INF/2	Background Note for Informal Consultation "Strategy for Resource Mobilization in Support of the Achievement of the Convention's Objectives"
UNEP/CBD/IC-RMS/2/INF/3	Draft of a message on finance and biological diversity to the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus
Other	Information note for participants of the sixth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing, 21 - 25 January 2008, Geneva, Switzerland

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