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### SECOND REGIONAL CAPACITY-DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP FOR EUROPE ON NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY STRATEGIES AND ACTION PLANS AND BIODIVERSITY MAINSTREAMING

Isle of Vilm, Germany, 13-17 June 2009

### ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

#### INTRODUCTION

1. In paragraph 6 of its decision VIII/8 and paragraph 17 of decision IX/8, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity recommended that regional and/or subregional workshops be convened to discuss national experiences in implementing national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs), and the integration of biodiversity concerns into relevant sectors, including consideration of obstacles and ways and means for overcoming the obstacles to the implementation of the Convention at the national level.

2. In response, the Executive Secretary is organizing a series of regional and subregional capacity-development workshops on these issues.

3. With the support of the Germany Federal Agency of Environment and Natural Resources and the International Academy for Nature Conservation of Germany, the first workshop for Europe was held from 26 to 30 April 2008 in Isle of Vilm, Germany. A total of 16 countries participated in the workshop. The report of the workshop is available at <https://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=NBSAPCBW-EUR-01>.

4. Considering that many European countries did not participate in that workshop for a number of reasons, the Secretariat is organizing a second workshop for Europe, again with the generous support of the Germany Federal Agency of Environment and Natural Resources and the International Academy for Nature Conservation of Germany, from 13 to 17 June 2009 in the Isle of Vilm, Germany.

5. The purpose of the workshop is to strengthen national capacities for the development, implementation, review and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, and for integration of biodiversity considerations into relevant sectoral and cross-sectoral policies, strategies and planning processes, in line with decisions VIII/8 and IX/8 of the Conference of the Parties.

6. The results of the workshop will feed into ongoing work to review implementation of the Convention and be communicated to the Convention's Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention (WGRI).

7. The following countries of Europe are invited to participate in the workshop: Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Cyprus, France, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxemburg, Moldova, Monaco, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, the former Yugoslavia Republic of Macedonia and Ukraine. Israel is also invited to this workshop. A few participants from countries that had participated in the first workshop will be invited to this workshop as resource persons, as will the European Commission and EU Presidency and the regional offices of UNDP, UNEP and IUCN.

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8. Participants in the workshop will comprise officials from each of the countries in the region responsible for the development and/or implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, as nominated by the Convention national focal points, as well as resource persons selected for their expertise and experience in supporting the development and implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, for integrating biodiversity into national development strategies and planning processes. As indicated in the notification for this Workshop, the nominated participants should be in a position to prepare and present a report on progress made in the development, implementation, reviewing and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, as well as the integration of biodiversity concerns into relevant sectors (for example, by using the voluntary guidelines annexed to decision VIII/8). Moreover, following the workshop, the representative should be in a position to translate the capacity gained into concrete actions in support of national implementation.

9. Participants are requested to bring to the Workshop two hard copies as well as electronic versions of their country's national biodiversity strategy and action plan, and of their fourth national reports (or drafts thereof). Secondly, participants are requested to provide the Secretariat (as electronic files, web addresses, or by mail to [secretariat@cbd.int](mailto:secretariat@cbd.int)) with any useful documents prepared by their country in relation to the national biodiversity strategy and action plan and its implementation. This might include information on tools and guidelines for the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, reviews or progress reports generated at the national level on the national biodiversity strategy and action plan for purposes of monitoring and evaluation, communication strategies, and case-studies illustrating how biodiversity has been integrated into relevant sectors and national strategies for sustainable development. The Secretariat will draw on these national examples and experiences throughout the workshop, and will also incorporate information provided into the Convention's clearing-house mechanism.

10. The Secretariat is preparing an information note for participants giving details of logistical arrangements, including information on travel, visa requirements, accommodation and other matters. The information note is available at [www.cbd.int/doc/meeting.aspx?mtg=NBSAPCBW-EURO-02](http://www.cbd.int/doc/meeting.aspx?mtg=NBSAPCBW-EURO-02). The workshop will be conducted in English only.

11. Registration of participants will take place at the venue of the meeting on Friday, 12 June 2009, from 4 p.m to 6 p.m.

12. The workshop documents and other information about the Workshop will be posted at: [www.cbd.int/doc/meeting.aspx?mtg=NBSAPCBW-EURO-02](http://www.cbd.int/doc/meeting.aspx?mtg=NBSAPCBW-EURO-02).

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

13. The workshop will be opened at 9 a.m. on Saturday, 13 June 2009. A representative of the host Government and the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity will address the participants.

## **ITEM 2. OVERVIEW OF THE OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMME FOR THE WORKSHOP**

14. The emphasis of the workshop will be on the exchange of national experiences and active learning. With this in mind, the workshop format features a mix of presentations with question-and-answer sessions, discussions in small working groups, interactive sessions to introduce relevant tools, and a field study visit. Sessions will be led by a professional facilitator. The programme will be carried out in a flexible manner to best meet the needs of the participants and is therefore subject to change. To facilitate work in small groups, participants will be seated around small tables (each sitting 5 to 7 participants).

15. Under this agenda item, participants will be invited to introduce themselves and present their expectations for the workshop.

16. The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity will present an overview of the objectives, the programme and the expected outcomes of the workshop, and provide background

information on the implementation of the Convention, the 2010 biodiversity target and decisions of the Conference of the Parties concerning national biodiversity strategies and action plans and biodiversity mainstreaming.

17. Participants will be invited to consider the provisional agenda of the workshop, prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/NBSAP/CBW-EUR/2/1), as well as the proposed programme of work as contained in annex I below. A list of documents for the workshop is attached as annex II.

18. By the end of this session of the workshop, participants are expected:

(a) To have an understanding of the status of implementation of the Convention globally, of the challenges to achieve the 2010 biodiversity target, and of the need to mainstream biodiversity across sectors;

(b) To be familiar with the updated guidance provided by the Conference of the Parties concerning the development, implementation and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans;

(c) To have a common understanding of the purpose of the workshop.

### **ITEM 3. STATUS OF DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY STRATEGIES AND ACTION PLANS AND BIODIVERSITY MAINSTREAMING IN THE REGION**

19. Article 6 of the Convention on Biological Diversity requires each Party to develop or adapt national strategies, plans or programmes for the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity and to integrate, as far as possible and as appropriate, the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity into relevant sectoral or cross-sectoral plans, programmes and policies. In considering this item, participants will have before them a note by the Executive Secretary containing an overview of the status of national biodiversity strategies and action plans globally and in the region (UNEP/CBD/NBSAP/CBW-EUR/2/2). The Conference of the Parties has recently adopted consolidated guidance for the development, updating and implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans (decision IX/8; see document UNEP/CBD/NBSAP/CBW-EUR/2/3). In addition, many Parties have developed useful tools and methodologies for developing and implementing national biodiversity strategies and action plans.

20. Under this agenda item, participants from each Party represented will present a brief overview of the main features of the national biodiversity strategy and action plan in their country, its implementation, and biodiversity mainstreaming. <sup>1/</sup> Each presentation should be brief (no more than 10 minutes in length) and focused on the following issues:

(a) The main features of the national biodiversity strategy and action plan (or equivalent policy document), highlighting elements that make it strategic. *There is no need to provide general background information about the country and its biodiversity;*

(b) The main improvements and changes made if the national biodiversity strategy and action plan has been revised or updated;

(c) The status of implementation of the national biodiversity strategy and action plan. Participants are asked to review progress made in implementation, based on the framework provided by their own national biodiversity strategy and action plan. Progress should be considered in terms of concrete outcomes. Obstacles may also be identified. Given the short time available for the presentation, participants may wish to choose some examples to illustrate implementation. These might include

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<sup>1/</sup> Participants are encouraged to use the guidance from the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity available at <https://www.cbd.int/nbsap/guidance.shtml>, particularly the "Proposed voluntary guidelines to Parties for review of national biodiversity strategies and action plans", annexed to decision VIII/8 at <http://www.cbd.int/convention/decisions.shtml?m=COP-08&id=11020&lg=0>, as tools in preparing for the Workshop.

case-studies of activities that contribute to the achievement of the 2010 biodiversity target; <sup>2/</sup> Note that, in essence, this will comprise the main points from Chapter 2 of the Fourth National Report.

(d) How biodiversity considerations have been taken into account within other national policies, programmes and planning processes, including:

- (i) Other economic sectors such as agriculture, forestry, fisheries, tourism, mining and oil exploration, trade and industry;
- (ii) National strategies for sustainable development, national programmes to adapt to and mitigate climate change and international development cooperation programmes where appropriate;
- (iii) Planning processes at national, provincial and local levels.

The presentation should highlight the role of the national biodiversity strategy and action plan in such biodiversity mainstreaming, as well as the use of other tools, such as strategic environmental assessment, integrated planning processes, etc. It should be noted that, in essence, this will comprise the main points from Chapter 3 of the Fourth National Report.

(e) The use of communication, education and public awareness activities in the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and the further needs and challenges in this regard.

(f) Any further highlights from the Fourth National Report.

21. Participants will then discuss the national experiences presented, and, working in plenary and in small groups, will exchange lessons learned in the development and implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and biodiversity mainstreaming, focusing on:

(a) Case-studies of good practice, including examples of progress towards the 2010 biodiversity target;

(b) Elements of national biodiversity strategies and action plans that makes them strategically successful (referring to the *strategy*);

(c) Examples of where the national biodiversity strategy and action plan has made a difference (referring to the implementation of the *action plan*);

(d) Tools and methodologies for national biodiversity strategies and action plans developed by the various countries;

(e) Obstacles encountered in the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, and means to address them;

(f) Reviews undertaken of the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and assessment of the effectiveness of the strategy.

22. By the end of this session of the Workshop, participants are expected:

- (a) To have evaluated the progress made in their countries and in the region;
- (b) To have identified cases of good practice, tools and guidance;
- (c) To have identified some mechanisms to overcome or mitigate obstacles; and

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<sup>2/</sup> Such cases of progress towards the achievement of the 2010 biodiversity target should demonstrate significant reductions in the loss of biodiversity (or a specific component) within a defined scale. The case-study will be most useful if it contains lessons that are more widely applicable. The following information should be provided: (i) full description of the reduction in biodiversity loss; (ii) measures taken to achieve the change; (iii) relevant external factors that may have influenced the rate of biodiversity loss or likely to do so in the future; (iv) measures in place or planned to ensure that the reduction is sustained; and (v) conclusions and lessons learned. Besides being included in the presentations, such case-studies might be prepared as part of NBSAP posters, or separately, or incorporated into the fourth national reports.

- (d) To be inspired and enabled to apply lessons learned from experiences in the region.

**ITEM 4. ENHANCING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY STRATEGIES AND ACTION PLANS AND INTEGRATING BIODIVERSITY INTO SECTORAL AND CROSS-SECTORAL PLANS, PROGRAMMES, POLICIES AND LOCAL PLANNING PROCESSES**

23. The importance of integrating biodiversity considerations into relevant sectoral and cross-sectoral strategies, plans and programmes is underlined in Article 6(b) of the Convention and has been stressed in many decisions of the Conference of the Parties. For example, at its eighth meeting, the Conference of the Parties, in considering the implications of the findings of the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment, urged Parties and other Governments to promote dialogue among different sectors, to mainstream biodiversity, at the regional and national levels including, when appropriate, through the processes of the Convention, to address linkages between the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and, among others, international trade, finance, agriculture, forestry, tourism, mining, energy and fisheries.

24. Under this item, workshop participants, building upon the experience presented under agenda item 3, will further explore the opportunities and challenges of mainstreaming, and the role of communication, through a group exercise.

25. Participants will also hear a number of presentations on mainstreaming biodiversity into relevant sectoral and cross-sectoral strategies, plans and programmes, and on the use of some tools and methodologies for this purpose. These will include:

- (a) Examples of the integration of biodiversity into various sectors such as agriculture and wetland management and water management;
- (b) The role of relevant regional and international programmes;
- (c) The use of the ecosystem approach and examples of strategic environment assessment and integrated ecosystem assessment;
- (d) Tools for strategic communication.

26. A field-study visit will be arranged by the host institutions and local partners during the third day of the workshop to illustrate some of the challenges and opportunities for mainstreaming biodiversity.

27. Through this session, it is expected that participants will:

- (a) Have identified some cases of the integration of biodiversity into broader national policies and planning processes, for example, wetland management, tourism and land planning;
- (b) Have an improved understanding of the Ecosystem Approach and tools for its application, including strategic environment assessment and the framework of the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment linking biodiversity, ecosystem services and human well-being;
- (c) Be familiar with some tools and methodologies that can be employed in order to better integrate biodiversity into broader national policies, programmes and planning processes and to use national biodiversity strategies and action plans as strategic tools for this purpose (including strategic environmental assessment);
- (d) Be familiar with some tools and methodologies that can be employed to address threats from land degradation and desertification;
- (e) Be aware of some approaches and methodologies for the strategic communication of national biodiversity strategies and action plans.

## **ITEM 5. THE FOURTH NATIONAL REPORT, MONITORING, AND THE USE OF INDICATORS**

28. All Parties to the Convention are required to prepare their fourth national report by 30 March 2009. The information in fourth national reports will provide critical information for assessing progress towards the 2010 biodiversity target and provide important inputs to the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook.

29. Under this agenda item, the Secretariat will introduce the guidelines for the fourth national report, which focuses on implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and progress towards the 2010 biodiversity target. The Secretariat will also introduce a reference manual developed to assist with the preparation of the fourth national report. Support from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) for the fourth national reports to eligible countries will be outlined. Countries that have prepared and submitted their fourth national reports will be invited to share experiences and lessons learned in this regard. Those countries that have not submitted their reports will present their plans to finalize the report. Individual exercises may be arranged to help these countries improve their draft chapters or reports, if necessary.

30. Monitoring of implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans is important for reviewing implementation of NBSAPs, further planning and updating NBSAPs if necessary. Under this agenda item, an introduction will be made on the tools developed for monitoring and a few countries will be invited to share their experiences and lessons learned from monitoring and reviewing of implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans.

31. Countries are encouraged to include indicators in their NBSAPs which can be used for monitoring, assessing progress in implementation and reporting. Under this agenda, an introduction will be made on how to use indicators for monitoring, assessment and reporting. A few countries or organizations will be invited to share their experiences and lessons learned from use of indicators in this regard.

32. The Clearing-house Mechanism plays an important role in supporting the development, implementation and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and mainstreaming of biodiversity as well as monitoring and reporting on implementation of NBSAPs. Under this agenda item, a few countries may share their experiences and lessons learned in this regard.

33. Finally, the posters linking the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans to the 2010 biodiversity target will be presented. <sup>3/</sup>

34. Through this session, participants are expected to:

(a) Understand the guidelines for preparing the fourth national report, as agreed by the Conference of the Parties, and the assistance available to countries to facilitate preparation of the report; and

(b) Understand the relationship between the preparation of the fourth national reports and the revision and updating of the national biodiversity strategies and action plans and how these processes can be linked efficiently and effectively.

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<sup>3/</sup> An online poster generation tool has been developed by the German Agency for Technical Cooperation (GTZ) that enables users to easily create posters from their own computer. These posters will offer a further opportunity to share national experiences in implementing the Convention through national biodiversity strategies and action plans at the Workshop. The guidelines for developing posters using the online tool are available at <http://www.cbd.int/meetings/wgri-02/poster-guidelines.shtml>. (The tool itself is available at <http://nbsaps.onlinegeneration.com>). Posters presented at the second meeting of the Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention (Paris, July 2007) and at the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Bonn, May 2008) can be viewed at <http://www.cbd.int/meetings/wgri-02/poster-session.shtml>.

**ITEM 6. THE WAY FORWARD TO 2010: UPCOMING EVENTS RELATED TO THE CONVENTION**

35. 2009 and 2010 will be particularly significant for the Convention on Biological Diversity. At its tenth meeting, which will be held in 2010, the Conference of the Parties is expected to review progress towards the 2010 biodiversity target and agree on an updated and revised Strategic Plan probably with a post-2010 target. The Conference of the Parties has indicated that all Parties should have national biodiversity strategies and action plans in place by then, updated, if necessary. The year 2010 is also the International Year of Biodiversity, providing opportunities to promote public awareness about biodiversity and public support to the implementation of the Convention.

36. Under this agenda item, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity will present a brief overview of these upcoming events. Building upon work in earlier sessions, workshop participants will then examine ways forward and key next steps for implementing and updating national biodiversity strategies and action plans. A panel will be selected to lead discussions in plenary.

**ITEM 7. CONSIDERATION OF THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE WORKSHOP**

37. Under this item, participants will be invited to consider the conclusions of the workshop, which will be incorporated into the final report.

**ITEM 8. CLOSURE OF THE WORKSHOP**

38. Prior to the closure of the workshop, participants will be invited to discuss the results of the workshop in comparison to their expectations expressed at the beginning of the workshop. Participants will also be asked to anonymously complete an evaluation form. The feedback provided in these forms is used to improve the planning and organization of subsequent workshops.

39. Following brief closing statements by the organizing partners, the workshop is expected to end at approximately 5 p.m. on Tuesday, 16 June 2009.

*Annex I***PROPOSED PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR THE WORKSHOP****FRIDAY, 12 JUNE 2009**

6.20-6.30 p.m.	Welcome and registration
6.30-7.30 p.m.	<i>Dinner</i>
7.30 p.m.	Welcome by the International Academy for Nature Conservation (G. STOLPE, BfN) Self-introductions of participants

**SATURDAY, 13 JUNE 2009**

9-9:20 am.	<b><i>Item 1. Opening of the workshop</i></b> Opening statements by the organizers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Representative of the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation (R. BLANKE, BfN)</li> <li>• Representative of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (D. COOPER, SCBD)</li> </ul>
9:20-10:00 a.m.	<b><i>Item 2. Overview of the objectives and programme for the Workshop</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction and expectations of the participants</li> <li>• Introduction (SCBD)</li> </ul> Plenary discussion
10.00 –10:30 a.m.	<i>Coffee break and group photo</i>
10:30–1230 p.m.	<b><i>Item 3. Status of development and implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and of biodiversity mainstreaming in the region</i></b> Country presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Albania</li> <li>• Belgium</li> <li>• Bosnia and Herzegovina</li> <li>• Croatia</li> <li>• France</li> </ul> Discussion and group exercises: identification of good practices and obstacles to implementation
1230-2pm	<i>Lunch</i>
2-3.30 pm	<b><i>Item 3. Status of development and implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and of biodiversity mainstreaming in the region (continued)</i></b> Country presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liechtenstein</li> <li>• Israel</li> <li>• Italy</li> <li>• Georgia</li> </ul> Discussion and group exercises: identification of good practices and obstacles to implementation
3.30-4 pm	<i>Coffee break</i>



4-6 pm	Country presentations ( <i>continued</i> ): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moldova</li> <li>• Netherlands</li> <li>• Macedonia FYR</li> <li>• Poland</li> </ul> Discussion and group exercises: identification of good practices and obstacles to implementation
7-8:30 p.m.	<i>Reception ,courtesy of the International Academy of Nature Conservation</i>

### SUNDAY, 14 JUNE 2009

8.30– 9 a.m.	Recap of the discussions on Saturday
9-1030 a.m.	Country presentations ( <i>continued</i> ): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slovakia</li> <li>• Switzerland</li> <li>• Turkey</li> <li>• Ukraine</li> </ul> Discussion and group exercises: identification of good practices and obstacles to implementation General discussion and summary by the facilitator
1030-1100. a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
11 a.m.- 12p.m.	<b><i>Item 4. Enhancing the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and integrating biodiversity into sectoral and cross-sectoral plans, programmes, policies and local planning processes</i></b> Introductory presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mainstreaming – tools and challenges (SCBD or other)</li> <li>• Strategic communication for NBSAPs (Resource person)</li> </ul> General discussion and group exercises
12- 1 p.m.	<i>Lunch break</i>
1-2.30 p.m.	<i>Guided tour on Vilm Island (N.N.)</i>
2.30– 4 p.m.	<b><i>Item 4. Enhancing the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and integrating biodiversity into sectoral and cross-sectoral plans, programmes, policies and local planning processes (continued)</i></b> Tools for enhancing implementation and mainstreaming <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The ecosystem approach (SCBD)</li> <li>• Strategic environmental assessment SEA (R. SLOOTWEG), Exercise on SEA and ecosystem services (R. SLOOTWEG)</li> <li>• Case-study from a country (<i>to be determined</i>)</li> </ul> Discussion and group exercises
4-4.30 p.m.	<i>Tea break</i>
4.30-6 p.m.	Group presentations

### MONDAY, 15 JUNE 2009

830-10 am	<b><i>Item 4. Enhancing the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and integrating biodiversity into sectoral and cross-sectoral plans, programmes, policies and local planning processes (continued)</i></b>
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	Ecosystem dynamics, land use change and ecological resilience-presentation (by resource person) and plenary discussions Preparations for the field study visit
<i>1035 - The rest of the day</i>	<b>Field trip: Integrating nature conservation in sustainable tourism and rural development</b> Visits to South-east Rugen Biosphere Reserve, an area with competing needs of nature conservation, tourism and other land uses, and visits to other relevant project sites may be made if possible.
<i>1035</i>	Departure from Vilm. Transfer from Lauterbach by bus to the South-East-Rügen Biosphere Reserve, an area with competing needs of nature conservation, tourism and other land uses
<i>1145</i>	Introduction from biosphere reserve representative in Groß Zicker
<i>1230</i>	Guided tour in the “Zickersche Berge” (N.N.), South-East-Rügen Biosphere Reserve) on the issues of tourism, traffic, farming and restoration (N.N.)
<i>2 p.m.</i>	<i>Arrival at the church hall of Gager, lunch break (packed lunch)</i>
<i>2.45 p.m.</i>	Integrating nature conservation into energy generation on Rugen island (Marlies Preller tbc, NABU Rugania)
<i>3.30 p.m.</i>	Integrating nature conservation into the building sector (Heike G. tbc, Putbus)
<i>4 p.m.</i>	Discussion
<i>4.30 p.m.</i>	Departure to Baabe Bollwerk
<i>5-6 p.m.</i>	Walk in the nature reserve, view on the lagoon Greifswalder Bodden Dinner at Moritzburg
<i>8 p.m.</i>	Return by bus to Lauterbach
<i>8.45 p.m.</i>	Departure from Lauterbach/Mole by boat to Vilm

**TUESDAY, 16 JUNE 2009**

<i>8.30– 9 a.m.</i>	Recap of the discussions and the visit on Monday
<i>9-10.30 a.m.</i>	<b><i>Item 5. Monitoring, reporting and use of indicators</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation of the Fourth National Report (An introduction by SCBD, brief presentations by two or three countries that have submitted the fourth national report, and a work plan to finalize the report presented by those countries that have not completed the report)</li> </ul>
<i>10.30-11 a.m.</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<i>11 a.m.- 12.30 p.m.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitoring of implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans (exchange of country experiences using posters prepared by participants)</li> <li>Use of Indicators (a presentation by resource person followed by group discussions and exercises)</li> <li>The Clearing House mechanism</li> </ul>
<i>12.30 – 2 p.m.</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>
<i>2–3.30 p.m.</i>	<b><i>Item 6. The way forward to 2010: upcoming events related to the Convention</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The road to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity and the International Year of Biodiversity (Mr. David Cooper, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity)</li> <li>Panel discussion and consideration of open questions concerning the implementation and</li> </ul>

	updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans
3.30–4 p.m.	<i>Tea break</i>
4-5 p.m. –	<b><i>Item 7. Consideration of the conclusions of the workshop,</i></b> Evaluation of the workshop <b><i>Item 8. Closing of the workshop</i></b>
6.30 p.m	<b><i>Dinner</i></b>
8 p. m	<i>Farewell Party (to be organised by the participants)</i>

*Annex II***LIST OF DOCUMENTS**

<b>Document Number</b>	<b>Document Title</b>
UNEP/CBD/NBSAP/CBW-EUR/2/1	Provisional agenda
UNEP/CBD/NBSAP/CBW-EUR/2/1/Add.1	Annotations to the provisional agenda
UNEP/CBD/NBSAP/CBW-EUR/2/2	Status and implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans
UNEP/CBD/NBSAP/CBW-EUR/2/3	Updating national biodiversity strategies and action plans, mainstreaming biodiversity, communication and reporting
<b>Information and background documents (Previously available)</b>	
Decision IX/8	Review of implementation of goals 2 and 3 of the Strategic Plan
	Report of the First European Workshop on NBSAPs and Mainstreaming of Biodiversity

**Background materials:**

Global Biodiversity Outlook-2

Ecosystem Assessment, a guide for decision makers

Mainstreaming biodiversity workshops on national biodiversity strategies and action plans

<https://www.cbd.int/doc/publications/cbd-brochure-nbsap-ws-en.pdf>**Resource materials for the preparation of the fourth national reports:**Guidelines for the fourth national reports <https://www.cbd.int/reports/guidelines/>

Reference manual for preparing the fourth national reports

<https://www.cbd.int/nr4/guidelines/manual.shtml>Guide to assist countries in undertaking assessment of progress towards the 2010 Biodiversity Target (UNDP/UNU/CBD/UNEP/Countdown 2010) <https://www.cbd.int/nr4/guidelines/2010-guide.shtml>Sample chapters of the fourth national report prepared by South Africa, Sri Lanka, Australia, Rwanda, Finland, the Czech Republic, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Thailand and Costa Rica <https://www.cbd.int/nr4/guidelines/sample/>

Fourth national reports already submitted to the Secretariat available at:

<https://www.cbd.int/reports/search/?type=nr-04>.

CBD training module A-3: An Introduction to National Reporting

<https://www.cbd.int/nr4/guidelines/training.shtml>

Report of the Regional Workshop for South, Southeast and East Asia on the Fourth National Report:

<https://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/nr/4nrcbw-asi-01/official/4nrcbw-asi-01-02-en.pdf>**CEPA background materials**The Agenda for Action - Short list of Priority Activities for the Programme of Work for CEPA (available at: <http://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/cop/cop-09/information/cop-09-inf-03-en.doc> )

Draft report of the workshop on Biodiversity and Education (available at:

<http://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/cop/cop-09/information/cop-09-inf-23-en.doc> )

International Year of Biodiversity - Action Plan

CEPA Toolkit (available at: <http://www.cbd.int/cepa/toolkit/2008/cepa/index.htm> )

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