

Convention on Biological Diversity

Secretariat

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8 December 2001

NOTIFICATION

Dear Madam/Sir:

Re: Sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 6) and first Meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (MOP 1)

The purpose of this notification is to invite funding institutions and development agencies for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 6) to be held in The Hague, the Netherlands, from 8 to 19 April 2002. Should the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety enter into force before the opening of the COP-6 meeting, the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties (MOP-1) to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety will be held from 22 to 26 April 2002 at the same venue in The Hague.

The Conference of the Parties is expected to discuss, among others, funding issues concerning the implementation of the Convention at these sessions. On the margin of these sessions, several lunchtime meetings on financing are planned for funding institutions and development agencies to share information and experience on financing for biological diversity and to discuss funding issues related to the implementation of the Convention.

Funding institutions and development agencies are invited to contact Mr. Arthur Nogueira, Chief of the Implementation and Outreach Division (email: arthur.nogueira@biodiv.org) regarding their participation and interests in making presentations as soon as possible, but no later than 28 February 2002.

Accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(signed)

Hamdallah Zedan
Executive Secretary

Enclosure: pre-registration form for COP 6; pre-registration form for MOP 1 and ICCP 3; information for participants; provisional agenda for COP 6.

To: ~~Funding Institutions and Development Agencies~~

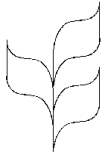


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