



## NOTIFICATION

### **Training Course for Plant Conservation Practitioners in Africa – Kampala, Uganda 10 October to 3 November 2004**

In decision VI/9, the Conference of the Parties adopted the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation, including outcome-oriented global targets for 2010 and invited Parties and other Governments to provide adequate and timely support to the implementation of the Strategy. The ultimate and long-term objective of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation is to halt the current and continuing loss of plant diversity. The Strategy provides a framework to facilitate harmony between existing initiatives aimed at plant conservation, identify gaps where new initiatives are required, and promote mobilization of the necessary resources.

As a contribution to the implementation of the Strategy, in particular Target 15 on “Building capacity for the conservation of plant diversity”, and in the broader context of the global initiative on communication, education and public awareness, funding has been sought to bring together plant conservation practitioners in Africa, for a training course. The Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, jointly with the Makerere University of Uganda, is organizing this course to be held in Kampala, Uganda from 10 October to 03 November 2004, with support from Botanical Gardens Conservation International (BGCI) and the CBD Secretariat. It will include formal presentations and field work focused on the 16 outcome targets of the CBD Global Strategy for Plant Conservation. Tuition, travel and modest accommodation costs will be covered for participants. The participants will be required to host cascade seminars on the Strategy in their countries after completion of the course.

Those interested to participate in this training course are invited to forward their CV by email, no later than **11 September 2004**, to course organizers:

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I wish to thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter and for your continued support of the work of the Convention

Yours sincerely,

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