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NOTIFICATION

EXTENSION OF DEADLINE - CALL FOR POSTER PAPERS

Working together for biodiversity: Regional and international initiatives contributing to achieving and measuring progress towards the 2010 target

The Conference of the Parties (COP) adopted, at its seventh meeting, decision VII/31 on the multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties up to 2010. In paragraph 3 of that decision, the COP decided that, at each of its meetings until 2010, it should assess the state of progress, including obstacles, in achieving the goals of the Strategic Plan and progress towards the achievement of the Convention's 2010 target and relevant Millennium Development Goals.

As a contribution to the implementation of this decision, the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) decided that "*Working together for biodiversity: regional and international initiatives contributing to achieving and measuring progress towards the 2010 target*" will be the main theme for the poster session at the tenth meeting of SBSTTA, scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from 7 to 11 February 2005.

Parties, other governments and relevant United Nations, inter-governmental, non-governmental, regional and international organizations, indigenous and local communities, and the private sector are invited to contribute poster papers and extended abstracts that (i) describe ways in which they address biodiversity loss, (ii) summarize progress achieved in the reduction of the rate of biodiversity loss, and/or (iii) describe the findings on trends in components of biodiversity.

The CBD Secretariat plans to publish the extended abstracts of the poster papers in a Technical Publication Series of the Convention on Biological Diversity. The deadline for submission of poster abstracts is **3 December 2004**.

Please indicate on the attached form no later than 26 November 2004, if you intend to present a poster paper. There will be a limit in the number of posters to be presented and published. Guidelines for extended abstracts are attached to this notification. However, details about the size of the boards and other specifications will follow shortly. Please note that submission of poster abstracts is not restricted to registered participants to SBSTTA-10.

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Poster tentative title: _____

Thematic areas:

- Agricultural biological diversity
- Biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands (including dryland, Mediterranean, arid, semi-arid, grassland and savannah ecosystems)
- Forest biodiversity
- Inland water biodiversity
- Island biodiversity
- Marine and coastal biodiversity
- Mountain biodiversity

Cross-cutting issues:

- Access to genetic resources and benefit sharing
- Article 8j on traditional knowledge
- Climate change and biological diversity
- Communication, education and public awareness
- Ecosystem approach
- Global strategy for plant conservation
- Global Taxonomy Initiative
- Impact assessment
- Incentive measures
- Indicators
- Invasive alien species
- Liability and redress
- Protected areas
- Sustainable use
- Technology transfer and cooperation
- Tourism development,
- Use of biotechnology and biosafety
- Financial aspects

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GUIDELINES FOR EXTENDED ABSTRACTS OF POSTER PRESENTATIONS

General Guidelines

- The length of extended abstracts should not exceed 2 pages of text, including references, and 1 page of Table(s) and/or Figure(s). The text should be divided into sections with headings.
- The preferred typeface is Times New Roman. The type size is 11 points. Pages must be single-spaced. Skip a single line between paragraphs of text. Do not indent the first line of each paragraph. Paragraphs should be fully justified.
- Extended abstracts should be sent by e-mail, preferably as an attachment in MS-Word. In any case, authors should specify in the body of the e-mail message the word processing package used in the attachment.
- Extended abstracts to be considered for publication **must be received before or on 3 December 2004**.

TITLE AND AFFILIATIONS

The title should be written on the first line of the first page, centred in upper case bold capital letters, 11 point font.

The authors' names should be centred two lines below the full title in upper and lower case bold letters.

Affiliation and short mailing address should follow on the next line, centred in upper and lower case letters (not bold). The corresponding author (to whom correspondence should be sent) should be indicated with an asterisk.

Two lines below the title and affiliation, in italics, up to five (5) “keywords”, i. e., words that describe the focus and contribution of the paper. For example, thematic area covered such as prevention, eradication, control, etc., can be given.

HEADINGS

Headings are NOT NUMBERED. All major headings are centred in bold in 11 point font. Leave two lines above a major heading, and one line clear below before the start of the next paragraph or second-level heading.

Subheadings (Second-level heading)

Subheadings are flush left, in 11 point type and bold. There should be one line space before and one line space after this level of heading (as illustrated above).

Sub-subheadings are flush left, in italics, and in 11 point type. There should be one line space before this level of heading, but no line space between this heading and the following paragraph.

REFERENCES

A short list of bibliographic references can be given at the end of the text under the major heading "References". List authors alphabetically by the first letter of the first author's last name. References should be identified in the text of the paper by typing the corresponding name and year in parenthesis. Do not number references, they must be alphabetical and unnumbered.

There should be no extra lines between references.

Book titles and names of journals should be printed in italics, not underlined. The format for the reference section should be as follows:

Author, A. (1991). *Title of Book.*, XYZ Press, Place of Publication.
Author, B., and Author, A. (1995). "Title of Paper," *Journal* 3(1):1-20.
Author, C., Author, A., Author, B. and Jones, G. (1996). "Title of Paper," in *Title of Book*, edited by E. Editor, XYZ Press, Place of Publication.

For multiple publications in the same year by the same author:

Author, B., and Author, A. (1995a). "Title of PaperA," *Journal* 3(1):1-20.
Author, B., and Author, A. (1995b). "Title of PaperB," *Journal* 16(4):25-50.

ILLUSTRATIONS

GRAPHICS OR TABLES must be placed at the end of the file. Figures should be labelled as "Figure X. Description of diagram." Figure captions should be typed directly below the figure, in bold 11 point type, and flushed left.

Table captions should be typed below the table. Tables should be referred to in the text as "Table X. Description of Table." Table titles should be in bold 11 point type and flushed left.

Where possible, illustrations should be provided in electronic format. Acceptable file types include .eps, ai or pds. Image resolution should be at least 200 dpi.

ABSTRACTS IN OTHER LANGUAGES

Authors may wish to submit with their extended abstracts, short abstracts in any other UN languages.

NB: A model of extended abstract will be sent to you at a later date.