



NOTIFICATION

EXTENSION OF DEADLINE -CALL FOR POSTER PAPERS

Success stories in implementation of the programmes of work on dry and sub-humid lands and for the Global Taxonomy Initiative

The Conference of the Parties (COP) adopted, at its seventh meeting, decision VII/31 on its multi-year programme of work 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. The Conference of the Parties scheduled the in-depth review of the programmes of work on dry and sub-humid lands and for the Global Taxonomy Initiative (GTI) at its eighth meeting (March 2006).

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 "*Success stories in implementation of the programmes of work on dry and sub-humid lands and for the Global Taxonomy Initiative*" will be the main theme for the poster session at the eleventh meeting of SBSTTA, scheduled to be held in Montreal, Canada, from 28 November to 2 December 2005.

Parties, other Governments and relevant United Nations bodies, 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 describe success stories on the implementation of specific activities in (i) the dry and sub-humid lands programme of work or (ii) the Global Taxonomy Initiative. The poster papers and abstracts could also highlight the factors that determined the success and obstacles encountered. They should describe the methods used to implement the activities to monitor the progress made, including any indicators used, and should link as appropriate to the 2010 targets, the Millennium Development Goals, and any other relevant goals agreed in the framework of the World Summit on Sustainable Development Plan of implementation, the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and other biodiversity related conventions.

Please indicate on the attached form no later than 3 October 2005, 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 and poster format will follow upon positive reply. Submission of poster abstracts is not restricted to registered participants to SBSTTA-11. Please

To: CBD National Focal Points, SBSTTA Focal Points, GTI National Focal Points and relevant organizations



note that the policy of the Secretariat is such that funding to attend the meeting is available only to the officially designated country representative.

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 **15 October 2005**.

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Executive Secretary

Please fill in the response form below and fax or e-mail by 3 October 2005 to:

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Poster tentative title: _____

Referring to decisions V/23 and VII/2 on dry and sub-humid lands biodiversity, and to the Annex to decision VI/8 on the Global Taxonomy Initiative, please indicate below under what categories your poster could be included:

[] Regarding dry and sub-humid lands biodiversity, including dryland, arid semi-arid, Mediterranean, grassland and savannah ecosystems:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Activity 1. Assessment of status and trends | <input type="checkbox"/> i) Training, education and public awareness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Activity 2. Areas of particular value and/or under threat | <input type="checkbox"/> j) Information on sustainable use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Activity 3. Indicators | <input type="checkbox"/> k) Promotion of research and development programmes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Activity 4. Knowledge on processes that affect biodiversity | <input type="checkbox"/> l) Integrated catchment management and endangered species |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Activity 5. Benefits derived from biological diversity | <input type="checkbox"/> m) Cooperation with relevant conventions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Activity 6. Best management practices | <input type="checkbox"/> [] Activity 8. Promotion of responsible resource management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Activity 7. Measures for conservation and sustainable use | <input type="checkbox"/> a) Local institutional structure; and indigenous and local techniques |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a) Protected areas | <input type="checkbox"/> b) Decentralization of management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b) Rehabilitation and/or restoration | <input type="checkbox"/> c) Institutions for land tenure and conflict resolution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c) Invasive alien species | <input type="checkbox"/> d) Transboundary issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> d) Production systems | <input type="checkbox"/> e) Policies and instruments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> e) Water resources | <input type="checkbox"/> [] Activity 9. Support for sustainable livelihoods |
| <input type="checkbox"/> f) <i>In situ</i> and <i>ex-situ</i> conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> a) Income diversification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> g) Economic valuation and adaptive technologies | <input type="checkbox"/> b) Sustainable harvesting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> h) Plant and animal biomass | <input type="checkbox"/> c) Innovations for local income generation |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> d) Market development |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> e) Fair and equitable sharing of the benefits |

[] Regarding the Global Taxonomy Initiative:

[] Taxonomic needs and capacities at national, regional and global levels for the implementation of the Convention.

[] Human resources, systems and infrastructure needed to obtain, collate and curate the biological specimens that are the basis for taxonomic knowledge.

[] Infrastructure/system for access to taxonomic information; with priority on ensuring that countries of origin gain access to information concerning elements of their biodiversity.

[] Taxonomic objectives to generate information needed for decision-making in conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity and its components within the major thematic work programmes of the Convention.

[] Key taxonomic objectives to generate information needed for decision-making in conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity and its components within the work on cross-cutting issues of the Convention.