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## NOTIFICATION

### Directory of Biosafety Organizations – Biosafety Clearing-House

I am pleased to present a new Directory of Organizations active in biosafety issues, now accessible through the Biosafety Clearing-House.

The Directory was developed by the Secretariat in response to requests that were received during the most recent review of the Biosafety Clearing-House. It includes a database that profiles the nature of work undertaken by each institution, focusing on its relevance to biosafety, and provides detailed contact information as well as links to relevant records in the Biosafety Clearing-House.

For this initial launch, over 120 national, regional and international organizations have been profiled. Other relevant organizations are also invited to contact the Secretariat for inclusion in the Directory.

The Directory of Biosafety Organizations is available on-line in the “information sharing” section of the BCH at <<http://bch.biodiv.org/informationsharing/default.shtml>>.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many governments and organizations that have been making their information available through the BCH. I encourage you to send any feedback and suggestions for improvement of the Biosafety Clearing-House to the Secretariat through [bch@biodiv.org](mailto:bch@biodiv.org), or to contact Kirsty Galloway McLean directly (tel: +1 514 287-7039).

Yours sincerely,

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To: BCH National Focal Points  
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Relevant Organizations