



Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity



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NOTIFICATION

Live Webcast of the Ninth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Bonn, Germany, 19 - 30 May 2008

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to inform you that, for the first time, the proceedings of the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity will be webcast live and available for viewing through the CBD website at <http://www.cbd.int/cop9/webcast/>

This has been enabled through the generosity of the Federal Republic of Germany acting in its capacity as host government of COP-MOP 4 / COP9 and with kind staff assistance of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

The webcasts are made available in English, German and the floor speaker's original language. They will provide live coverage of the Plenary and Working Group sessions and press conferences and recorded coverage of a number of side events. Furthermore, after the webcasts of the proceedings have been delivered live, they will be archived and made available for later viewing, on demand, from the website.

The provision of these meeting proceedings via webcast marks an extremely important new step in the Secretariat's ongoing efforts to reach out, in the most transparent manner, to as many stakeholders in the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocol as possible.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Executive Secretary

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