



Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity



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NOTIFICATION

Production plan for the third edition of Global Biodiversity Outlook and submission of information on biodiversity indicators

Dear Madam/Sir,

In decision IX/10 on the preparation of the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook (GBO-3)¹, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to notify the organizations participating in the Biodiversity Indicators Partnership about the timetable for preparing the various products of the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook and invited those organizations to make available the latest scientific information in accordance with the production plan for the Global Biodiversity Outlook (paragraph 6).

The workplan for preparing GBO-3 has been discussed at the second Technical Partners meeting of the 2010 Biodiversity Indicators Partnership held from 25 to 26 June 2008 in Montreal (see report at www.twentyten.net). An updated preparation schedule is being maintained at www.cbd.int/gbo3/production.shtml.

The production of the third edition of Global Biodiversity Outlook is underway. The document is being prepared as a “living draft”. Existing sections of the text will be replaced as more up-to-date or relevant data and case studies become available. In this way, a working draft of GBO-3 will become available in early 2009 and enable contributions and inputs from Partners at any point in time. A full draft of GBO-3 will be reviewed between August and October 2009, and revised and finalized in November and December 2009. It will be difficult to include information received after this date.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaif
Executive Secretary

¹ The COP 9 decisions are available at <http://www.cbd.int/decisions/>

To: Organizations participating in the
2010 Biodiversity Indicators Partnership



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