



# Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity



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## NOTIFICATION

### **Request to submit examples of best practices for addressing the risks associated with the introduction of alien species as pets, aquarium and terrarium species, and as live bait and live food**

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) invites Parties, other governments and relevant organizations to submit examples of best practices for addressing the risks associated with the introduction of alien species as pets, aquarium and terrarium species, and as live bait and live food (COP decision IX/4, paragraph 8 and 9).

The Secretariat also reminds relevant organizations to continue collating, through the steering committee<sup>1</sup>, information gathered at the expert workshop on best practices for pre-import screening of live animals, which was held in Indiana, the United States of America, from 9 to 11 April 2008 (preliminary report: UNEP/CBD/COP/9/INF/32/Add.1). Contact details of the steering committee members are included as an Annex to this notification.

The information provided in these submissions will be used by the Secretariat to create a CBD Technical Series document and a pre-session document for the fourteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-14).

Please send best practice information, practical guidance and information relevant to the expert workshop on best practices for pre-import screening of live animals to [Secretariat@cbd.int](mailto:Secretariat@cbd.int) by 31 October 2008.

I would like to thank you in advance for your useful and informative contributions.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaif  
Executive Secretary

<sup>1</sup> The workshop steering committee is composed of the: Global Invasive Species Programme, IUCN Invasive Species Specialist Group, Defenders of Wildlife, University of Notre Dame, and the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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**Annex 1**  
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