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NOTIFICATION

Upcoming Meetings of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

Dear Madam/Sir,

In light of the increasing focus on the links between biodiversity and climate change, as highlighted in the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook and the recent adoption of decision X/33 on biodiversity and climate change, I am pleased to share with you additional information on the upcoming work plan of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

In particular, the IPCC has begun preparations for its Fifth Assessment Report (AR5). This report will consist of three Working Group Reports and a Summary Report as outlined in the Agreed Reference Material for the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (<http://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/ar5/ar5-outline-compilation.pdf>).

Of particular relevance to implementation of the new Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 are the following chapters:

Working Group II – Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability

Chapter 3: Freshwater Resources

Chapter 4: Terrestrial and Inland Water Systems

Chapter 5: Coastal Ecosystems and Low-lying Areas

Chapter 6: Ocean Systems

Chapter 14: Adaptation Needs and Options

Chapter 20: Climate-resilient Pathways: Adaptation, Mitigation and Sustainable Development

Working Group III – Mitigation of Climate Change

Chapter 11: Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Uses (AFOLU)

In preparing the Working Group Reports, a number of international and regional meetings of authors and experts will be held. The schedule of these meetings is available online at: http://www.ipcc.ch/calendar_of_meetings/calendar_of_meetings.shtml.

Furthermore, for the preparation of the AR5, the IPCC is convening a Joint IPCC Expert Meeting of WGI, WGII, and WGIII on Geo-engineering from 20 to 21 June, 2011. Additional information on this

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meeting is available at: <http://www.ipcc-wg3.de/meetings/expert-meetings-and-workshops/em-geoengineering>.

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

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