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NOTIFICATION

**Training Seminar organized by the Consortium of Scientific Partners on Biodiversity at the margins of the Fifteenth Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-15)
5 November 2011- Montreal, Canada**

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to inform you that a training seminar is being organised by the Consortium of Scientific Partners on Biodiversity to provide participants with tools and advice on strengthening the role of science in NBSAP revision, the Strategic Plan, and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets.

The training seminar will take place on **Saturday, 5 November 2011, from 9:30am to 5:30pm, at the Biodiversity Centre in the Botanic Gardens of Montreal, Canada.** Lunch, refreshments and a tour around the Botanical Gardens will be provided.

The training seminar will be given in English, with support in French. The provisional agenda of the seminar is attached.

The seminar is open to participants of the fifteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-14) and the participants of the Ad Hoc group on Article 8(j) and related provisions (WG8J-7). If you are interested in participating, please contact Christine Estrada at christine.estrada@cbd.int, **no later than 28 October 2011.**

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

Ahmed Djoghlaif
Executive Secretary

To: All CBD National Focal Points, SBSTTA Focal Points and relevant organizations



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 on
Strengthening the Role of Science in NBSAP Revision, the Strategic Plan, and Aichi Biodiversity Targets

Time: Saturday, **5 November 2011**, from 9:30pm to 5:30pm.
Venue: Biodiversity Centre in the Botanic Gardens of Montreal, Canada
Open to: SBSTTA-15 and WG8j-7 registered participants

Lunch and refreshments provided as well as a tour around the Biodiversity Centre and Botanic Gardens of Montreal.



Objective: To provide participants with tools and advice on the role of SBSTTA focal points and increasing the role of science in the CBD, as well as methods to improve and contribute to NBSAP revision in the light of the Strategic Plan and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets.

Tentative programme

9:30- 9:45	Welcome address	Museums Nature de Montreal and SCBD
9:45-10:30	Presentations	CSP Partners
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-12:00	Presentations	CSP Members
12:00-13:00	Lunch	
13:00-13:30	Tour Biodiversity Centre- Botanic Gardens of Montreal	
13:30-16:00	5 Working Groups on Science and the Strategic Plan: Participants focus on each of the Goals of the Strategic Plan	Participants
16:00-17:00	Presentations by working groups	Participants
17:00-17:30	Conclusion, prize and closure	CSP Partners