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NOTIFICATION
Provisional annotated agenda for the Capacity-building Workshop
on Access and Benefit-sharing
30 June – 1 July 2012 – New Delhi, India

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to circulate herewith the provisional annotated agenda for the third Capacity-building Workshop on Access and Benefit-sharing to be held from 30 June – 1 July 2012 at the Vigyan Bhavan Convention Center in New Delhi, India. It is also accessible on the workshop webpage at: <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=WCBABS-03>.

Further information on the venue for the workshop can be found in the “Information Note for Participants” prepared for the Second Meeting of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Committee for the Nagoya Protocol on ABS, accessible on the same webpage. The working languages for the workshop will be English, French and Spanish.

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

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Executive Secretary

Attachment

To: CBD Focal Points, ICNP Focal Points and indigenous and local community organizations
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CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOP ON ACCESS AND BENEFIT-SHARING
30 June - 1 July 2012, New Delhi

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Day 1: Morning session (10 a.m.-1 p.m.)

1. OPENING OF THE WORKSHOP (10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.)

The Workshop will be opened by Mr. Braulio Dias, the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), and Dr. Shakeel Bhatti, the Secretary of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA).

2. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

The Secretariats of CBD and ITPGRFA will provide an introduction to the workshop, including the methodology and organization of work.

3. OVERVIEW AND DISCUSSION ON CAPACITY-BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES AND RELEVANT TOOLS IN SUPPORT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL: PRACTICAL EXPERIENCES AND ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION (10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.)

Panel presentations

Various actors involved in capacity-building initiatives/projects will be invited to share information and discuss their experiences in relation to activities carried out and tools developed in support of the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.

The discussion will begin with short presentations by the panel members and will focus on the following points:

- The objective(s), scope of the capacity-building and development initiatives/projects
- The types of capacity-building and development activities covered under the initiatives/projects and how these activities are designed, delivered and followed-up
- How these initiatives/projects support the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol
- Lessons learned and future perspectives/way forward

Representatives/coordinators of the following initiatives/projects will be invited to participate in the panel:

- UNEP GEF MSP: Supporting the Development and Implementation of ABS Policies in Africa
- UNEP GEF MSP: Building Capacity for Regionally Harmonized National Processes for Implementing CBD Provisions in Asia
- UNEP GEF MSP: Strengthening the Implementation of ABS regimes in Latin America and the Caribbean
- ABS Capacity Development Initiative: Capacity development approaches in support of the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in the African, Caribbean and Pacific Regions
- Bioversity International/Secretariat of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA): approaches/lessons learned in the implementation of the ITPGRFA
- Stratos: The *second edition* of the ABS-Management Tool (ABS-MT)

Coffee break (11:15 a.m.–11:30 a.m.)

General discussion

A question and answer period will follow the presentations. This first round of discussions will be followed by a more in depth exchange of views among workshop participants to identify gaps and opportunities in the current capacity-building and development setting in support of the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.

The following questions could be considered with a view to facilitate further discussions:

- Do the initiatives/projects presented address all of the needs for capacity-building and development in support of the implementation of the Protocol?
- What are the gaps and opportunities to be further explored? Are all regions covered?
- Are these initiatives adequately coordinated in the delivery of their projects and activities so as to avoid gaps, prevent duplication of efforts and ensure complementarities?

Lunch (1 p.m.–3 p.m.)

Day 1: Afternoon session (3 p.m. - 6 p.m.)

**4. IDENTIFICATION OF OPTIONS AND STRATEGIES FOR
CAPACITY-BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPORT THE
EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL**
(3 p.m. – 6 p.m.)

Break-out groups (3 p.m. – 6 p.m.)

Participants will be divided into break out groups. With a view to identify options and strategies for capacity-building and development to support the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol, the groups will be invited to consider the following questions:

- How can existing opportunities be leveraged/scaled-up to further support for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol?
- Would coordination of these capacity-building activities be useful? If so, at what level?
- What are appropriate/suitable approaches and strategies for capacity-building and development that could be adopted to effectively address the identified needs and priorities of Parties in their efforts towards the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol?
- Should capacity-building and development actions and services be inscribed in an overarching strategic framework? If so, what type of strategic framework?
- What lessons can be drawn from the approach taken under the ITPGRFA to support the implementation of the ITPGRFA? Could other approaches provide useful lessons?

Day 2: Morning session (10 a.m. – 1 p.m.)

**4. IDENTIFICATION OF OPTIONS AND STRATEGIES FOR
CAPACITY-BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPORT THE
EFFCETIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL
(continued) (10 a.m. – 1 p.m.)**

Report to Plenary and discussion (10 a.m.-1 p.m.)

The break-out groups will be invited to report back to plenary on the outcomes of their discussions. Following the report back to plenary, participants will be invited to engage in a general discussion on the basis of the results of the breakout group discussions and drawing from the guiding questions under item 4.

In light of the discussions carried-out during the workshop, and with a view to inform discussions by the Intergovernmental Committee on this issue, the outcomes of the workshop will be transmitted to the Committee for its consideration.

Coffee break (11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.)

5. CLOSURE OF THE WORKSHOP

The workshop will close at 1 p.m. on Sunday 1 July 2012.
