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## NOTIFICATION

### **REMINDER AND CHANGE OF DATES: Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) Capacity-Building Workshop for West Africa (4 to 8 February 2013) and South-Eastern Atlantic Regional Workshop to Facilitate the Description of Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas (EBSAs) (8 to 12 April 2013)**

Dear Madam/Sir,

Reference is made to the earlier notification (2012-134), dated 4 October 2012, regarding the nomination of experts to two upcoming CBD workshops in West Africa. The purpose of this notification is to remind competent organizations and regional initiatives to nominate experts to participate in these workshops and to inform you that the dates of these workshops have been changed, as follows:

- The Sustainable Ocean Initiative Capacity-Building Workshop for West Africa, 4 to 8 February 2013, Senegal; and
- The South-Eastern Atlantic regional workshop to facilitate the description of ecologically or biologically significant marine areas (EBSAs), 8 to 12 April 2013, Namibia.

Competent organizations and regional initiatives in West Africa are invited to nominate one expert to participate in both of the above workshops. In order to organize the workshops and prepare necessary scientific inputs to them in a timely manner, I seek your kind cooperation to submit your nomination at your earliest convenience, but no later than **7 December 2012**.

The head of the organization should provide the name and contact details of their nominee via **official signed letter** addressed to the Executive Secretary and scanned and attached to an email addressed to [secretariat@cbd.int](mailto:secretariat@cbd.int), or faxed to +1 (514) 288-6588. The nomination must include full contact details and be accompanied by a curriculum vitae clearly indicating the areas of expertise and experience of the nominee.

Limited funding will be available to assist the travel of eligible participants from competent organizations and regional initiatives, on a first-come, first-served basis.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter and your continued support of the work of the Convention.

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

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Executive Secretary

To: Competent organizations and regional initiatives, including regional seas conventions and action plans, and regional fisheries management organizations (RFMOs) in West Africa



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