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NOTIFICATION

Webinar on the Financial Mechanism and 2020 Aichi Biodiversity Targets 5 June 2013 - 9.30 a.m. Montreal time

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to invite you to a webinar on the Financial mechanism and 2020 Aichi Biodiversity Targets, addressed jointly by the CEO and Chairperson of the Global Environment Facility, Dr. Naoko Ishii, and myself.

The purpose of the webinar is to engage CBD Focal Points and relevant organizations on how to ensure a robust GEF-6 replenishment and leverage additional resources to enable Parties to achieve the 2020 Aichi Biodiversity Targets.

The webinar, convened on 5 June at 9.30 a.m. Montreal time, will run 90 minutes and will be held in English. The event will begin with remarks by the CBD Executive Secretary and the GEF CEO and Chairperson, followed by a presentation on the mobilization of private capital for biodiversity conservation. After the presentation, the floor will be open for questions.

The live streaming of the webinar will be accessible on 5 June, from 9.00 a.m. onwards at the following website: <http://www.cbd.int/financial/webinar2013/>. Further details on the webinar will be posted as it becomes available on this link. To participate in the webinar, please send an e-mail to: financialaffairs@cbd.int, at your earliest convenience but no later than **3 June 2013**.

Participants will be able to submit questions (limited to 100 words) during the course of the webinar and/or in advance by e-mail to the above address.

The agenda for the webinar is as follows:

- Importance of resource mobilization strategy and its link to the GEF (Dr. Bráulio Ferreira de Souza Dias, Executive Secretary of the CBD);
- GEF 2020, vision and strategy (Dr. Naoko Ishii, CEO and Chairperson of the GEF); and
- Mobilization of private capital for biodiversity conservation (Professor Gilles Cloutier, Chair of STRATT Groupe, and Ms. Louise Vaillancourt, Chair of LVCconseils).

Thank you in advance for your contribution to this important event and I look forward to your participation.

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

Bráulio Ferreira de Souza Dias
Executive Secretary

To: CBD Focal Points and relevant organizations



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