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NOTIFICATION

Invitation to submit LifeWeb Expressions of Interest consistent with the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the area-based Aichi Targets

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Conference of Parties (COP) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), in its decision X/31 on protected areas, encouraged Parties to make use of the CBD LifeWeb Initiative as a platform to communicate funding needs for the implementation of national action plans for the programme of work on protected areas (PoWPA) and encouraged public and private donors to match these needs with targeted support.

At its eleventh meeting, the COP, in paragraphs 4 and 5 of decision XI/24, encouraged bilateral and multilateral donors, Parties and countries in a position to do so, to support mobilization of funding to implement national action plans for the PoWPA through national, subregional and regional donor round table meetings, taking into account funding needs assessments, financial planning and funding strategies contained in national action plans for the PoWPA.

Also at COP 11, the Executive Secretary presented an information document (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/48). "The LifeWeb Initiative: A Review of Progress and Options for the Future" containing suggestions on how to harmonise the CBD LifeWeb Initiative with the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and its Aichi Targets. This document was part of a wider consultation conducted by the Executive Secretary to get feedback from Parties, donors and partners on how to strengthen alignment of the LifeWeb Initiative with the achievement of the Aichi Targets. As a result the scope of the LifeWeb Initiative was broadened to offer the opportunity to CBD Parties, in particular developing country Parties or countries with economies in transition, and local and indigenous community groups to seek financial support for projects consistent with the area-based Aichi Targets of the Strategic Plan through the LifeWeb Clearinghouse. This change will allow Parties to post their financial needs for projects related to the PoWPA and Aichi Target 11 and also for Aichi Targets 5, 9, 12, 13, 14 and 15.

The Secretariat has developed a new online portal ready to receive new LifeWeb Expressions of Interest consistent with the new framework. The portal includes instructions and a downloadable submission template and may be accessed at <http://lifeweb.cbd.int>. Any related questions may be sent to lifeweb@cbd.int.

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

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To: CBD National Focal Points and CBD Focal Points for Protected Areas



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