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## NOTIFICATION

### **Webcast of the Third Meeting of the Global Partnership for Business and Biodiversity 2-3 October 2013 – Montreal, Canada**

Dear Madam/Sir,

Further to notification 2013-056 (<http://www.cbd.int/doc/notifications/2013/ntf-2013-056-business-en.pdf>), I am pleased to invite you to participate in the webcast of the third meeting of the Global Partnership for Business and Biodiversity to be held in Montreal on 2-3 October 2013, organized jointly between the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and the Canadian Business and Biodiversity Council (CBBC).

The purpose of the webcast is to inform you about the various issues under consideration in the business engagement agenda as well as to seek your inputs in the ongoing discussions. The webcast will begin with the opening plenary on 2 October at 9 a.m. and will be made accessible at the following link: <http://www.cbd.int/live/>. Please find the agenda of the meeting enclosed.

In addition to the plenary sessions, the webcast will broadcast the following panel discussions:

- Session #1 on Safeguards and Mechanisms on 2 October at 10.30 a.m.;
- Session #2 on Retail and Consumer Goods on 2 October at 1.50 p.m.; and
- Session #3 on Sustainable Public Procurement on 3 October at 9.30 a.m.

Participants will be able to submit questions and comments during the webcast on the above-mentioned website. We will be monitoring the web feed and will ensure that your inputs are registered. Should you have any further questions on the webcast, please send an e-mail to: [gpbbs@cbd.int](mailto:gpbbs@cbd.int).

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

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

Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias  
Executive Secretary

Enclosure

To: CBD National Focal Points



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## **Annex 1: Agenda of Meeting**

### **Third Meeting of the Global Partnership for Business and Biodiversity**

#### **Day 1**

8.15 a.m.

#### **Registration and Breakfast**

9.00 a.m.

#### **Opening Plenary \*\*WEBCAST\*\***

- Mr. Luc Robitaille, Corporate Director Environment, Holcim (Canada) Inc. (Chair, Canadian Business and Biodiversity Council)
- Mr. Jung Jun Park, Deputy Director, Nature Resources Division, Ministry of Environment, Government of the Republic of Korea (Host of CBD COP 12)
- Mr. Bráulio de Souza Dias, Executive Secretary, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
- Representative, Government of the Province of Quebec
- Representative, Environment Canada

9.45 a.m.

#### **Current status of Business and Biodiversity:**

- Mr. David Steuerman, Consultant, Business and Biodiversity, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

10.00 a.m.

#### **Business and Biodiversity from a Corporate Perspective #1**

- Mr. Jon K. Grant, O.C., LL.D., Past Chairman and CEO of The Quaker Oats Company of Canada, Chair of CCL Industries, Chair of the Ontario Biodiversity Council, Trustee of the Symons Trust, Chair of the Bagnani Trust (Canada)

10.20 a.m.

*Break*

10.30 a.m.

#### **Concurrent Sessions #1**

##### **Panel on Access and Benefit-Sharing**

##### ***Keynote Speaker:***

- Mr. Tim Hodges, Co-Chair of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group on Access and Benefit Sharing (Canada)

##### ***Panelists:***

- Mr. Suhel al-Janabi, Co-manager, Access and Benefit-sharing Capacity Development Initiative for Africa (Germany)
- Ms. Elisa Romano, Policy and Industry Specialist, National Confederation of Industry Brazil
- Mr. George Greene, Founding Chair, Stratos (Canada)
- Mr. Claude Fromageot, Director of Sustainable Development, Yves Rocher (France)
- Mr. Pierre Du Plessis, High Value Plant Species Expert, Centre for Research Information Action in Africa, Southern African Development and Consulting (Namibia)

##### ***Discussion Facilitator:***

- Ms. Alba Margarita Salazar Viscarra, Executive Director, Biodiversity Partnership Mesoamerica (Costa Rica)

##### **Panel on Safeguards and Mechanisms \*\*WEBCAST\*\***

##### ***Keynote Speaker:***

- Ms. Maryanne Grieg-Gran, Principal Economist, Sustainable Markets Group; Team Leader, Market Failure, International Institute for Environment and Development (UK)

***Panelists:***

- Ms. Claudia Ituarte-Lima, International Environmental Law Officer, Stockholm Resilience Centre, Stockholm University (Sweden)
- Ms. Maria Yolanda Teran Maigua—Representative, Andes Chinchansuyo (USA)
- Mr. Aurélien Guingand, Environmental Economist, Research Department, CDC Biodiversité – Mission Economie de la Biodiversité – Groupe Caisse Des dépôts (France)
- Mr. Joël Houdet, Managing Director, Integrated Sustainability Services (South Africa)

***Discussion Facilitator:***

- Ms. Patama Domrongphol, CBD Primary NFP, Office of Natural Resources and Environmental Policy and Planning (Thailand)

**Panel on Supply Chain Management**

***Keynote Speaker:***

- Mr. Rajendra Dobriyal, Senior Regulatory Affairs Manager, India, Hindustan Unilever Limited (India)

***Panelists:***

- Ms. Libby Bernick, Senior Vice-president North America, Trucost (USA)
- Mr. Ward Griffin, Chief Executive Officer, The Lowe-Martin Group (Canada)
- Dr. Julien Chupin, Director, Etre et avoir conseil (France)
- Dr. René Gómez-García Palao, Environmental Business Unit, Head Environment Department, CAF (Peru)

***Discussion Facilitator:***

- Ms. Shiranee Yasaratne, Sri Lanka Business and Biodiversity Secretariat (Sri Lanka)

12.30 p.m. *Lunch (Provided)*

1.30 p.m. **Business and Biodiversity from a Conservation Perspective**

- Mr. Jonathan Stacey, Senior Programmes Manager, Corporate, BirdLife International (UK)

1.50 p.m. **Concurrent Sessions #2**

**Panel on Agrifood**

***Keynote Speaker:***

- Mr. Jay Bradshaw, President, Syngenta Canada

***Panelists:***

- Mr. Emilio Oyarzabal, Business Ecosystems Training and Projects, Monsanto (USA)
- Mr. Peter G. Kevan, Director, Canadian Pollination Initiative (Canada)
- Mr. Paul Short, President, Canadian Sphagnum Peat Moss Association (Canada)
- Mr. Marcel Groleau, L'Union des Producteurs Agricoles (Canada)

***Discussion Facilitator:***

- Ms. Sonia Castañeda Rial, Executive Manager of Fundación Biodiversidad (Spain)

**Panel on Extractive Industries**

***Keynote Speaker:***

- Mr. Dennis Wilson, Director Environment and CSR, New Gold (Canada)

***Panelists:***

- Mr. Rajesh Sharma, CEO and Managing Director, Tata Steel Minerals Canada Ltd. (Canada/India)
- Mr. Luc Robitaille, Corporate Director Environment, Holcim (Canada) Inc.
- Mr. Chris Fordham, Manager, Sustainability Strategy, Suncor Energy Inc. (Canada)

- Mr. Chris McDonell, Manager Aboriginal and Environmental Relations, Tembec (Canada)

***Discussion Facilitator:***

- Mr. Gonzalo León Silva---Sustainability Management Team Leader, FundaciónChile (Chile)

**Panel on Retail/Consumer Goods \*\*WEBCAST\*\***

***Keynote Speaker:***

- Mr. David Smith, Advisor, Canadian Business and Biodiversity Council (CBBC) (Canada)

***Panelists:***

- Mr. Eduardo Escobedo, Director, Responsible Ecosystems Sourcing Platform (Switzerland/Mexico)
- Mr. David Hircock---Executive Director, Corporate Sustainability and Global Innovations, Estee Lauder Companies (UK)
- Mr. Howard-Yana Shapiro, Chief Agricultural Officer, Mars Inc. (USA)
- Mr. Timothy A. Bent, Director, Environmental Affairs, Bridgestone Americas (USA)
- Mr. Rik Kutsch Lojenga, Executive Director, Union for Ethical BioTrade (France)

***Discussion Facilitator:***

- Mr. Ciprian Ionescu, Association Orée (France)

3.00 p.m. *Break*

4.10 p.m. **Plenary Panel: Session Summary**

4.40 p.m. **Closing remarks (Day 1):**

- Mr. Ravi Sharma, Principal Officer, Technical Support for Implementation, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

4.50 p.m. **Side Events (Parallel Session #1)**

- Managing biodiversity : knowledge, tools and initiatives (France)
- Simbiosys (Peru)
- Bar Code of Life (University of Guelph, Canada)

5.40 p.m. **Side Events (Parallel Session #2)**

- Natural Resources Stewardship Circle (France)
- Mainstreaming Biodiversity Into The South African Development Path (South Africa)
- European Business and Biodiversity (B@B) Platform (European Union)

6.30 p.m. **Cocktail Reception**

## **Day 2**

9.00 a.m.

### **Plenary Session**

- Mr. Gerard Bos, Head, Global Business and Biodiversity Programme, International Union for Conservation of Nature (Netherlands)

9.30 a.m.

### **Concurrent Sessions #3**

#### **Panel on Standards**

##### ***Keynote Speaker:***

- Ms. Melissa Tolley, Head, Business, Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, United Nations Environment Program, World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UK)

##### ***Panelists:***

- Ms. Lori Anna Conzo, Environmental Specialist, Environment, Social and Governance Department, International Finance Cooperation (USA)
- Mr. Andrew de Vries, VP, Conservation, Indigenous and Government Relations, Sustainable Forestry Initiative Inc. (Canada)
- Mr. Dan Farr, Director, Application Centre, Alberta Biodiversity Monitoring Institute (Canada)
- Mr. Aran O'Carroll, Executive Director, Canadian Boreal Forest Agreement (Canada)
- Mr. Benoit Limoges, Director, Biodiversity and Ecosystem Approach, SNC-Lavalin Environment (Canada)

##### ***Discussion Facilitator:***

- Ms. Madeleine Nyiratuza, Project Manager for Monitoring Ecosystem Services, Agriculture and Livelihoods in Rwanda, Wildlife Conservation Society/Rwanda Program (Rwanda)

#### **Panel on Sustainable Public Procurement** \*\*WEBCAST\*\*

##### ***Keynote Speaker:***

- Mr. Gabriel Quijandría, Vice Minister, Strategic Development of Natural Resources, Ministry of Environment (Peru)

##### ***Panelists:***

- Ms. Margaret Bailey---Office of Greening Government Operations, Government of Canada, Public Works and Government Services Canada
- Ms. Anne-Marie Saulnier, Director, Sustainable Procurement, Quebec Multi-stakeholder Platform on Responsible Purchasing (Canada)
- Mr. Philipp Tepper---Project Co-ordinator, Sustainable Procurement Team, ICLEI (Germany)
- Mr. Kiruben Naicker, Biodiversity Planning, Department of Environmental Affairs (South Africa)

##### ***Discussion Facilitator:***

- Mr. Jon Herity, Advisor, Canadian Business and Biodiversity Council (Canada)

#### **Panel on Engagement of Stakeholders**

##### ***Keynote Speaker:***

- Mr. Yoshiharu Tachibana, Advisor, Keidanren Committee on Nature Conservation (Japan)

##### ***Panelists:***

- Ms. Sally Maria Ollech, Project Manager, Biodiversity in Good Company (Germany)
- Ms. Barbara Reuber, Vice President, Environment, Ontario Power Generation (Canada)
- Mr. Daan Wensing, Manager, Leaders for Nature, International Union for Conservation of Nature (Netherlands)

- Ms. Nathalie Rizzotti, Senior Policy Advisor for Biodiversity, Federal Office for the Environment (Switzerland)
- Ms. Wang Aihua---Project Officer, Foreign Economic Cooperation Office, Ministry of Environmental Protection (China)

***Discussion Facilitator:***

- Mr. Strahil Christov, DG Environment, European Commission (EU)

10.35 a.m. *Break*

11.30 a.m. **Plenary Panel: Session Summary**

11.45 a.m. **Closing Session: Recommendations for COP 12 and Further Engagement**

- Mr. Hem Pande, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India (CBD COP 11 President)
- Mr. Ravi Sharma, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

12.00 a.m. **Breakout Discussions** (Review of previous discussions and synthesis of general comments)

***Discussion Facilitators:***

- Ms. Helle Bank Jorgensen, United Nations Global Compact Canada
- Mr. John Finisdore, Sustainable Flows

12.30 a.m. **Plenary Discussion** (Summation of discussions)

12.50 p.m. **Closing Remarks**

- Mr. Braulio de Souza Dias, Executive Secretary, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
- Mr. Hem Pande, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India (CBD COP 11 President)

1.00 p.m. **Meeting Closes**

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