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## NOTIFICATION

### **Selected Experts for the CBD Expert workshop on Underwater Noise and its Impacts on Marine and Coastal Biodiversity, 25 to 27 February 2014, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**

Dear Madam/Sir,

In notification number 2013-101, dated 11 November 2013, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity invited Parties, other Governments, indigenous and local communities and relevant organizations to nominate experts to participate in the CBD Expert workshop on Underwater Noise and its Impacts on Marine and Coastal Biodiversity, to be held from 25 to 27 February 2014, in London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Thanks to the generous support of the European Commission, this meeting is being convened by the Secretariat in collaboration with the International Maritime Organization (IMO), pursuant to paragraph 20 of decision XI/18. This decision requests the Executive Secretary to organize an expert workshop with a view to improving and sharing knowledge on underwater noise and its impacts on marine and coastal biodiversity, and to develop practical guidance and toolkits to minimize and mitigate the significant adverse impacts of anthropogenic underwater noise on marine and coastal biodiversity, including marine mammals, in order to assist Parties and other Governments in applying management measures, as appropriate.

In this regard, I am pleased to announce that the selection of experts has been completed. Experts were selected in consultation with IMO, based on the relevant scientific expertise and experience of nominees, in keeping with the criteria in the above-mentioned notification. The list of selected experts is attached in the annex. Selected experts will be notified in due course. The Secretariat will provide financial assistance to selected experts representing developing country Parties.

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

Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias  
Executive Secretary

**Attachment**

To: CBD National Focal Points and SBSTTA Focal Points; other Governments; International Maritime Organization; Convention on Migratory Species; International Whaling Commission; indigenous and local communities; and other relevant organizations



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25 to 27 February 2014, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**

**List of Selected Experts**

**Africa**

Mr. Ibrahim Mohamed-Tohir (Comoros)  
Mr. Jean Paul Mwamba Nyembo (Democratic Republic of Congo)  
Mr. Abdou Salam Kane (Senegal)  
Mr. Gabriel Hoinsoude Segniagbeto (Togo)

**Asia and Pacific region**

Ms. Dilsad Begum (Bangladesh)  
Mr. Shahram Nourbakhsh (Iran)  
Mr. Yasufumi Onishi (Japan)  
Ms. Taouea Titaake-Reiher (Kiribati)  
Mr. Woojae Seong (Republic of Korea)

**Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) region**

Ms. Arzu Samadova (Azerbaijan)  
Mr. Pedrag Vukadin (Croatia)

**Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC) region**

Mr. Juan Carlos Frías (Argentina)  
Mr. David Palacios (Costa Rica)  
Ms. María del Carmen Bazúa Durán (Mexico)  
Mr. Marceliano Segura Zamudio (Peru)

**Western European and Others Group (WEOG) region**

Mr. Yvan Simard (Canada)  
Mr. Thomas Folegot (France)  
Mr. Peter Helgevold Kvadsheim (Norway)  
Mr. Mark Tasker (UK)  
Mr. Arthur Popper (USA)

**Organizations**

Ms. Heike Deggim (IMO)  
Mr. Edward Kleverlaan (IMO)  
Mr. Frank Thomsen (IMO)  
Mr. Yanis Souami (CMS-ACCOBAMS)  
Ms. Lindy Weilgart (Animal Welfare Institute)  
Mr. David Hedgeland (BP International)  
Mr. John Young (World Ocean Council)  
Ms. Linda Nowlan (WWF Canada)