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## NOTIFICATION

### Call for Proposals 2014: Benefit-sharing Fund of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

Madam/Sir,

As part of the ongoing cooperation between the secretariats of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, I am pleased to circulate herewith the Third Call for Proposals of the Benefit-sharing Fund of the International Treaty.

Any governmental or non-governmental organization, including farmers and farmers' organizations, genebanks and research institutions, as well as regional and international organizations, based in eligible countries that are Contracting Parties to the International Treaty, may apply for grants under the Benefit-sharing Fund.

Please note that the text of the Call for Proposals and the Submission Forms are available at: <http://www.planttreaty.org/content/bsfcall3>. The deadline for submitting applications is **2 June 2014**.

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

Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias  
Executive Secretary

Attachment

To: CBD National Focal Points and ICNP Focal Points; relevant organizations; and indigenous and local communities



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# The International Treaty

## ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE



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### NOTIFICATION

#### Call for Proposals 2014: Benefit-sharing Fund

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to announce the decision of the Bureau of the Sixth Session of the Governing Body of the International Treaty to open the Third Call for Proposals under the Benefit-sharing Fund for the biennium 2014-2015. The Third Call is expected to invest more than USD 10 million in projects globally.

The focus of the Third Call for Proposals is to provide financial resources for a targeted set of programmes, projects and activities of high potential impact as to help farmers adapt to climate change through the conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture.

The Call comprises two windows: Window 2 will provide financial support for the implementation of immediate action projects, whereas Window 3 will specifically support the co-development and transfer of technologies as well as capacity building and information exchange activities.

Any governmental or non-governmental organization, including farmers and farmers' organizations, genebanks and research institutions, as well as regional and international organizations, based in eligible countries that are Contracting Parties to the International Treaty, may apply for grants under the Benefit-sharing Fund until **5 May 2014, 24:00 Rome time**. The text of the Call for Proposals and the Submission Forms are online at: <http://www.planttreaty.org/content/bsfcall3>.

At the opening of this Call, 7 March 2014, I would like to express my deep gratitude to the European Union and the Government of Norway who have each made significant financial investments in support of this Call.

I remain at your disposal for any further information you may require.

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

Shakeel Bhatti  
Secretary of the Governing Body  
International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources  
for Food and Agriculture

