NOTIFICATION

Online IDB Dialogue on International Financing for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services
21-22 May 2015

Dear Madam/Sir,

In paragraph 4 of decision XII/3, the Conference of the Parties urged Parties and other Governments, with the support of international and regional organizations, to develop their national resource mobilization strategies or finance plans consistent with identified needs and priorities. Furthermore, in paragraph 41 of Annex IV (decision XII/3) on Proposals for concrete and effective actions for implementing Aichi Biodiversity Target 20 and associate financial targets, Parties proposed to “promote, at all levels, the exchange of experience and good practice in financing for biological diversity, including sharing of knowledge and experience in developing effective policy instruments and mainstreaming”.

In response and on the occasion of the International Day of Biodiversity (IDB), I am pleased to invite you to participate in an online dialogue on International Financing for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services on 21-22 May 2015. The online dialogue will provide opportunities for Parties to be better informed on the various programmes and initiatives led by relevant multilateral and bilateral funding institutions and share information, experiences and perspectives, including on ways to track and report biodiversity-related funding.

Representatives of donor Parties, GEF and its Implementing Agencies, regional economic commissions and multilateral development banks have been invited to respond to your questions related to their work on biodiversity and ecosystem services. The dialogue webpage provides important updates and recent developments submitted by participating donor Parties and organizations.

The online dialogue will be open from 21 to 22 May 2015 at https://www.cbd.int/financial/ibd2015.shtml. Instructions for submitting your questions can be found on the above-mentioned webpage. Should you require any technical assistance, please contact Mr. Yibin Xiang at yibin.xiang@cbd.int.

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

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To: All Focal Points under the Convention and its Protocols
cc: Relevant stakeholder organizations