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NOTIFICATION

**Nineteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 19), 2 to 5 November 2015
and**

**Ninth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity (WG8J 9), 4 to 7 November 2015
Montreal, Canada**

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the nineteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 19) will be held from 2 to 5 November 2015, and the ninth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity (WG8J 9) will be held from 4 to 7 November 2015, in Montreal, Canada, at the Headquarters of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

The provisional agendas for these meetings, as approved respectively by the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties (COP) and the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA), are attached. The pre-session and other relevant documentation for these meetings, as well as the Information Note for Participants, will be made available in due course, at the following respective webpages: <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=SBSTTA-19> and <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=WG8j-09>.

In accordance with rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties, the designation of representatives to attend the SBSTTA 19 and the WG8J 9 meetings should be submitted, through an official letter to be addressed to the CBD Executive Secretary, and sent to the Secretariat as soon as possible, as a scanned e-mail attachment to: secretariat@cbd.int or by fax at +1 514-288-6588, preferably before **15 September 2015**.

Please note that subject to the availability of contributions to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BZ), the Secretariat will be in a position to finance the participation of one representative (for both meetings, i.e. SBSTTA 19 and WG8J 9) from each of the developing countries Parties to the Convention, in particular the least developed countries, small island developing States, other developing countries, and countries with economies in transition. Eligible Parties to the Convention, wishing to solicit such assistance are kindly requested to advise the Secretariat at their earliest convenience, but no later than **15 September 2015**, of the name and coordinates of their Government's officially designated representative to benefit from such financial support. It will not be possible for the Secretariat to respond positively to request for funding received after the deadline.

To: CBD National Focal Points and SBSTTA Focal Points



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Due to the increased security procedures for travellers and budget constraints, and with a view to enable the participation of a maximum number of countries in the meetings, the Secretariat will be using special airfare tickets for sponsored delegates that impose restrictions with respect to the changing of passenger's name, travel dates and itinerary. Please note, therefore, that it will not be possible for the Secretariat to accommodate name changes if received after **15 September 2015**.

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

Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias
Executive Secretary

Attachment



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SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC,
TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE

Nineteenth meeting
Montreal, Canada, 2–5 November 2015

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting.
 2. Organizational matters.
 3. Strategic scientific and technical issues related to the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020:
 - 3.1 Further consideration of the implications of the findings of the fourth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* and related reports, including with respect to mainstreaming and the integration of biodiversity across sectors;
 - 3.2 Key scientific and technical needs related to the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and related research;
 - 3.3 Tools to evaluate the effectiveness of policy instruments for the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020;
 - 3.4 Indicators for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020.
 4. Reports and studies for review:
 - 4.1 Biodiversity and human health;
 - 4.2 Climate-related geoengineering;
 - 4.3 Forest biodiversity.
 5. Work of the Subsidiary Body in the light of the 2014-2018 Work Programme of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and relationship with the Subsidiary Body on Implementation.
 6. Other matters.
 7. Adoption of the report.
 8. Closure of the meeting.
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AD HOC OPEN-ENDED INTER-SESSIONAL
WORKING GROUP ON ARTICLE 8(j) AND
RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE CONVENTION
ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Ninth meeting

Montreal, Canada, 4-7 November 2015

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting.
 2. Organizational matters:
 - 2.1. Election of officers;
 - 2.2. Adoption of the agenda;
 - 2.3. Organization of work.
 3. Review of the implementation of specific items, including indicators related to Article 8(j) and related provisions.
 4. Task 12 of the Multi-Year Programme of Work on the implementation of Article 8(j) and related provisions:
 - (i) Develop guidelines for obtaining the prior informed consent or approval and involvement of the indigenous peoples and local communities for the use of their traditional knowledge;
 - (ii) Develop guidelines to ensure that indigenous peoples and local communities obtain a fair and equitable share of benefits arising from the use of their knowledge;
 - (iii) Develop standards and guidelines for the reporting and prevention of unlawful appropriation of traditional knowledge;
 - (iv) Develop a glossary of relevant key terms and concepts in Article 8(j) and related provisions.
 5. Task 15 of the Multi-Year Programme of Work on the implementation of Article 8(j) and related provisions: best-practice guidelines for the repatriation of indigenous and traditional knowledge.
 6. Recommendations of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.
 7. In-depth dialogue on thematic areas and other cross-cutting issues.
 8. Other matters.
 9. Adoption of the report.
 10. Closure of the meeting.
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