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NOTIFICATION

Call for Proposals on the Global Taxonomy Initiative Training Courses to be hosted in Developing Countries in 2018

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity is seeking expressions of interest from relevant institutions/organizations for hosting Global Taxonomy Initiative (GTI) training courses in 2018 on DNA technologies for rapid species identification. The Secretariat supports the trainings in partnership with the Guelph University and Biodiversity Institute of Ontario in Canada, in line with decisions XI/29 and XIII/31 of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention.

Developing countries, as well as countries with economies in transition are invited to submit proposals for training on DNA technologies, such as application of DNA barcoding for rapid species identification at the national, sub-regional or regional level. Proposals should be prepared together with the trained trainers who have accomplished the GTI Training Courses in 2015-2016 or by relevant networks of DNA barcoding in the region, shown in attachment to the present notification.

Proposals should be prepared using the application form available at <http://www.cbd.int/gti/> and should be accompanied by a letter of endorsement signed by the Primary National Focal Point for the CBD and a letter of endorsement by the host institute, as well as from donors, if applicable, in one package, which should be submitted via e-mail to secretariat@cbd.int or fax to + 1 514 288 6588 **no later than 30 November 2017**.

All proposals will be reviewed by the Secretariat in consultation with the GTI Coordination Mechanism.

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

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Executive Secretary

Attachment

To: CBD National Focal Points, SBSTTA Focal Points, GTI Focal Points and GTI Coordination Mechanism

**List of Trained Trainers
GTI Training Courses in 2015-2016**

Country	Institution	Name	E-mail
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Bhutan	Ministry of Agriculture and Forests	Kencho Dorji	kencho.185@gmail.com
Bosnia and Herzegovina	National Plant Health Protection Organization	Ajla Dautbasic	ajla.dautbasic@uzzb.gov.ba
Botswana	Botswana College of Agriculture	Amogelang Segwagwe	asegwagwe@yahoo.com
Brazil	Brazilian Institute of Environment and Renewable Natural Resources	Graziele Batista	graziele.batista@ibama.gov.br
Colombia	Humboldt Institute for Biological Resources	Mailyn Gonzalez	magonzalez@humboldt.org.co
Costa Rica	Ministry of Environment and Energy in Costa Rica	Laura Brenes	laura.brenes@sinac.go.cr
Dominican Republic	Universidad Autonoma de Santo Domingo	David Hernandez Martich	hernandezmartich@yahoo.com
Dominican Republic	Universidad Central del Este	Aide Cornielle	aidecornielle@gmail.com
Ethiopia	Ethiopian Biodiversity Institute	Taye Birhanu	tayebirhanub@gmail.com
Fiji	Biosecurity Authority of Fiji	Nitesh Datt	ndatt@baf.com.fj
France	Agence Nationale de Securite Sanitaire	Raphaelle Mouttet	raphaelle.mouttet@anses.fr
India	Indian Institute of Horticultural Research	Ramasamy Asokan	asokanihr@gmail.com
Mexico	Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico	Rafael Ojeda Flores	ojedar@unam.mx
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Nepal	Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation	Sishir Panthi	panthi.sishir@gmail.com
Nigeria	National Institute for Pharmaceutical Research and Development	Jemilat Ibrahim	sadiqoyene@yahoo.com
Pakistan	Directorate of Biodiversity, Ministry of Climate Change	Ghulam Sarwar	tabasum95@hotmail.com
Philippines	Biodiversity Management Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources	Adrian Luczon	adrian.luczon@gmail.com
Republic of Moldova	Academy of Sciences	Anna Moldovan	anna.moldovan@yahoo.com
South Africa	Biodiversity Institute of South Africa	Thulisile Jaca	T.Jaca@sanbi.org.za
Sri Lanka	National Plant Quarantine Service of Sri Lanka	Jayani Nimanthika	jayaninimanthika@gmail.com
Suriname	National Zoological Collection Suriname	Vanessa Kadosoe	vanessakadosoe@gmail.com

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Turkey	Republic of Turkey Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock	Ayse Yildiz	varolyildiz@hotmail.com
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List of relevant networks

International Barcode of Life Project
 Consortium for the Barcode of Life

<http://ibol.org/>
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