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NOTIFICATION

UN Biodiversity Conference 2018 - *Information Note for Participants* and Other Relevant Information

Dear Madam/Sir,

In follow-up to the Secretariat's notification 2018-045 concerning the registration and credentials for the UN Biodiversity Conference 2018¹, to be held from 17 to 29 November 2018 in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt, I have the honour to inform you that the Information Note for Participants is now available on the Secretariat's conference website at: http://www.cbd.int/conferences/2018/.

I would like to encourage Parties, other Governments and observer organizations to consult the document, which contains detailed description of the logistics and all the requirements pertaining to the various organizational aspects of the conference.

Please also be advised that the registration of side-events, to be organized on the margins of the UN Biodiversity Conference 2018, is now open. Requests should be made using the online side-event submission system available at <u>http://www.cbd.int/side-events/</u>, or on the above-mentioned conference website. The deadline for receipt of requests is 15 September 2018. Requests received after the deadline will not be considered.

Finally, I wish to inform you that the host country website for COP 14 is accessible at: <u>https://cop14-egypt.com/</u>.

I thank you for your attention to these important matters.

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

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¹Fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 14), ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP-MOP 9), third meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing (COP-MOP 3), 17-29 November 2018.

To: CBD National Focal Points, Cartagena Protocol Focal Points, ABS Focal Points, UN Organizations and Specialized Agencies, IGOs, NGOs, indigenous people and local communities, and other stakeholders





