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## NOTIFICATION

### Composition of the Informal Advisory Committee on Capacity-building for the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol

Madam/Sir,

The purpose of this notification is to provide information regarding the composition of the Informal Advisory Committee on Capacity-building for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.

The Informal Advisory Committee (IAC) was established by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol (COP-MOP) to provide advice to the Executive Secretary on matters of relevance to the assessment of the effectiveness of the strategic framework for capacity-building and development to support the effective implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.

Through [notification 2019-039](#), issued on 5 April 2019, and reminder of 23 May 2019, Parties to the Nagoya Protocol were invited to nominate experts actively involved in capacity-building related to access and benefit-sharing (ABS) to be considered for selection as members of the IAC. In response to these notifications, 22 nominations were received from Parties to the Nagoya Protocol. The experts were selected with due regard to the nominees' expertise and active engagement in ABS capacity-building, and in accordance with the terms of reference in annex II to decision NP-1/8. Only one nomination was received from Parties in the Central and Eastern Europe region.

In addition, representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities were selected and international and regional organizations involved in ABS capacity-building were invited to participate in the Informal Advisory Committee.

Against this background, I am pleased to convey herewith the list of experts including representatives from governments, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant organizations to participate in the fourth meeting of the Informal Advisory Committee on Capacity-building for the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol to be held from 29 to 31 October 2019 in Montreal, Canada.

A letter of invitation to the fourth meeting of the IAC will be sent to the experts together with relevant information concerning the meeting. Documents for the meeting will be posted in due course on the Secretariat's website.

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

Cristiana Paşca Palmer, PhD  
Executive Secretary

Enclosure

To: ABS National Focal Points (or CBD National Focal Points where ABS Focal Points have not yet been designated), indigenous peoples and local communities

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### **Africa**

1. Ms. Volatiana Rahanitriniaina (Madagascar)
2. Dr. Lilian Chimphopo (Malawi)
3. Ms. Beatrice Cyiza (Rwanda)

### **Asia & Pacific**

4. Ms. Tashi Yangzome Dorji (Bhutan)
5. Dr. Fuwei Zhao (China)
6. Mr. Rahul Chand (Tuvalu)

### **Central and Eastern Europe**

7. Ms. Elena Makeyeva (Belarus)

### **Group of Latin America and Caribbean Countries**

8. Dr. Julieta Sarno (Argentina)
9. Ms. Teresa Dolores Cruz Sardiñas (Cuba)
10. Ms. Melinda Janki (Guyana)

### **Western European and Others Group**

11. Mr. Han de Koeijer (Belgium)
12. Ms. Mery Ciacci (European Union)
13. Mr. Hartmut Meyer (Germany)

### **Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities**

1. Ms. Yolanda Teran (Red Mujeres Indigenas Biodiversidad ALC, Ecuador)
2. Ms. Lucy Mulenkei (International Indigenous forum on Biodiversity, Kenya)
3. Ms. Jennifer Tauli-Corpuz (Tebtebba, Philippines)

### **Relevant organizations**

1. Mr. Andreas Drews (ABS Capacity Development Initiative)
2. Mr. Elpidio V. Peria (ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity)
3. Dr. Michael Halewood (Bioversity International)
4. Ms. Amrikha Singh (Caribbean Community Secretariat)
5. Mr. Chouaibou Nchoutpouen (Commission des forêts d'Afrique Centrale)
6. Mr. Kent Nnadozie (International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture)
7. Mr. Dan Leskien (FAO Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture)
8. Mr. Jaime Cavelier (Global Environmental Facility)
9. Ms. Elena Incisa di Camerana (International Development Law Organization)
10. Ms. Sonia Peña Moreno (International Union for the Conservation of Nature)
11. Mr. David Vivas (UN Conference on Trade and Development)
12. Mr. Santiago Carrizosa (UN Development Programme)
13. Ms. Susan Gardner (UN Environment)