



NOTIFICATION

Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) regional capacity-building workshop for East, South and South-East Asia 5 – 8 September 2023 - Seoul, Republic of Korea

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to invite Parties, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant global and regional organizations and initiatives in the East, South and South-East Asia to participate in the Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) Capacity-building Workshop for East, South and South-East Asia, to be held from 5 to 8 September 2023 in Seoul, Republic of Korea.

The workshop is being convened by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), in collaboration with relevant regional and international organizations and initiatives, and is hosted by the Government of the Republic of Korea, with financial support from the Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries of the Republic of Korea and technical support from the National Marine Biodiversity Institute of Korea (MABIK). The Sustainable Ocean Initiative is a global platform that aims to build partnerships and enhance capacity to achieve global goals and targets on marine and coastal biodiversity. Its implementation is coordinated by the CBD Secretariat in collaboration with various partners. SOI was created on the margins of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention to respond to the need for capacity-building of developing country Parties with regard to the conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity, and its implementation is being further enhanced within the context of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, which was adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Convention at its fifteenth meeting in December 2022.

The workshop will focus on the capacity needs of developing countries in the region in the context of the goals and targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework. It will address a range of thematic issues relevant to the goals and targets of the Framework, such as area-based conservation, restoration, fisheries management, and biodiversity mainstreaming, and will seek to facilitate cross-sectoral, multi-agency scientific, technical and financial partnerships to support the effective implementation of various management tools and approaches.

Submission of nominations from Governments

Parties from the region are invited to nominate two experts to participate in this workshop. Specifically, nominations should include one expert involved in marine biodiversity conservation, such as area-based conservation, and one expert involved in sustainable fisheries management. The Secretariat will be in a position to finance the participation of two experts from each Party eligible for funding.

Nominations must include: (i) an official letter addressed to the Executive Secretary, signed by the national focal point, indicating the name and full contact details of the nominees; (ii) the attached completed nomination form; and (iii) the curriculum vitae of the nominees, clearly indicating their areas of expertise and experience.

To: CBD National Focal Points, Marine and Coastal Biodiversity Focal Points and SBSTTA Focal Points of: Australia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Indonesia, India, Japan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor Leste, Viet Nam, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant global and regional organizations and initiatives



Submission of nominations from relevant organizations

Relevant global and regional organizations and initiatives are invited to nominate one expert to participate in this workshop. The head of the organization/initiative should provide the name and contact details of their nominee via an official signed letter addressed to the Executive Secretary. Nominations must also include: (i) the attached completed nomination form; and (ii) the curriculum vitae of the nominee, clearly indicating the areas of expertise and experience.

All nominations must be received as soon as possible but no later than **15 July 2023** (by e-mail to secretariat@cbd.int).

Workshop materials will be forwarded to the selected participants and posted on the CBD website in due course. The workshop will be conducted in English.

I thank you for your cooperation in this matter and for your continued support for the work of the Convention.

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

David Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

NOMINATION FORM

Capacity-Building Events

**Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) regional capacity-building workshop
for East, South and South-East Asia
5 – 8 September 2023, Seoul, Republic of Korea**

I. INFORMATION ON THE NOMINEE

Family name: _____

First name: _____

Gender: _____ Nationality: _____

Name of the Ministry/Agency: _____

Name of the Department/Unit: _____

Address: _____

Telephone (country and city codes): + _____ Fax: + _____

E-mail: _____

II. QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE OF THE NOMINEE

(To be completed by the nominee)

2. *Current employment*

(a) Official title (current position): _____

(b) Date of appointment to current position: _____

(c) Expected duration of current position: _____

3. *Description of the relevant activities of your organization:*

4. *Indicate what relevant information and experience you can contribute to the meeting/training:*

5. Please provide a brief statement indicating how you and your organization would benefit from participation in this meeting/training and how you plan to utilize the experience in your work:

III. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

6. Indicate if you have participated in other meetings/trainings on a similar topic:

Name of meeting/training:	Date/Venue:

7. I agree that, if selected, I will complete all the pre- and post-meeting/training assignments requested and attend all the meeting/training sessions. I also agree that, upon return to my work place, I will apply and share with others the knowledge and skills acquired from the meeting/training.

Signature of the applicant

Date

OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENT

A letter of nomination and recommendation signed by the administrative head of the nominee's organization and the nominee's CV must be attached to this form. Without this signed letter and CV, the application will not be complete and the Secretariat will not be able to consider them.

(This statement in support for the candidate is required. It must be completed, signed, and stamped by the head of the national institution from which the candidate comes.)

Name of Head of Institution:

Title:

Name of Institution:

Country:

endorses the application of Ms./Mr. _____ for the Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) regional capacity-building workshop for East, South and South-East Asia. 5 – 8 September 2023, Seoul, Republic of Korea.

The institution confirms that on his/her return, Ms./Mr. _____ will retain his/her current responsibilities related to subject matter of the meeting/training and will be supported to apply and share the knowledge and skills gained from the meeting/training.

Signature and Stamp

Date:

Name (Please Print)

(Signature)

THIS APPLICATION HAS TO BE SIGNED, DATED AND ACCOMPANIED BY AN OFFICIAL LETTER OF NOMINATION AND RECEIVED BY THE SECRETARIAT:

Executive Secretary
Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
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Montreal, Quebec, Canada H2Y 1N9
Tel.: 1 514 288 2220 Fax: 1 514 288 6588
Web: <http://www.cbd.int> E-mail: secretariat@cbd.int

Due to large number of applications received, only selected participants will be notified.