



## NOTIFICATION

### **Fourth Joint Aarhus Convention and Convention on Biological Diversity Round Table on Public Awareness, Education, Access to Information, Public Participation and Access to Justice regarding Living Modified Organisms/Genetically Modified Organisms 11-12 December 2023 – Geneva, Switzerland**

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that the UNECE Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) and Convention on Biological Diversity Fourth Joint round table on public awareness, education, access to information, public participation and access to justice regarding living modified organisms (LMOs)/genetically modified organisms (GMOs), will take place on 11-12 December 2023, in Geneva, Switzerland.

The round table aims to build countries' capacities through sharing knowledge, experiences and lessons learned in promoting public awareness, education, access to information, public participation and access to justice regarding LMOs/GMOs and to make suggestions for future action at the national, regional and international levels. The round table will feature a training session on procedures and practices on access to justice related to LMOs/GMOs.

The outcomes of the round table are intended to facilitate the implementation of Article 23 on public awareness, education and participation regarding LMOs of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. The results of the round table will be shared with the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.

Representatives of Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations, who wish to participate in this round table are invited to register through the following link: [https://indico.un.org/e/GMO\\_GRT-4](https://indico.un.org/e/GMO_GRT-4), as soon as possible and no later than **24 November 2023**. Participants will be able to connect to the round table via this link: <https://listen-live.unog.ch/en/index.html>. Other relevant information is available at <https://unece.org/info/Environmental-Policy/Public-Participation/events/375497>.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support to the work of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.

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

*(Signed)* David Cooper  
Acting Executive Secretary

To: CBD national focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities, relevant organizations

