



## Communiqué

### AICHI/NAGOYA INTERNATIONAL E-CONFERENCE ON THE POST 2010 BIODIVERSITY TARGET (ANIEC 2010)

*Montreal 9 November 2009.* Today, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) launched the *Aichi/Nagoya International E-Conference on the Post 2010 Biodiversity Target (ANIEC 2010)* to gather views from the broad and diverse groups of biodiversity stakeholders on actions that should be taken in the short and medium term after 2010.

ANIEC 2010 represents a mega on-line consultation process through the CBD clearing-house mechanism during the International Year of Biodiversity and prior to the Tenth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 10). Participation to this electronic conference is open to any participant from all Parties and stakeholders: government and non-government organizations, indigenous and local communities, women, youth, scientific and expert networks, academia, business networks as well as any other interested institution or individual.

The substance of the discussions will be synthesized and presented to the high-level segment of the UN General Assembly in New York in September 2010 and in Aichi, Nagoya in October 2010. A side event will be organized during COP 10 to present the results of this e-conference.

ANIEC 2010 is available the CBD website at [www.cbd.int/aniec2010](http://www.cbd.int/aniec2010). To encourage global active participation, the debate will focus on five simple key questions:

1. What does biodiversity mean to you?
2. Do you think that biodiversity is important and why?
3. Do you think that climate change is a threat to biodiversity? If so, what should be done?
4. What will be your message to the Heads of States meeting on biodiversity on 20 September 2010 in New York and to the delegates to COP 10?
5. What should be done to ensure the success of COP 10?

The e-conference is being launched today in English, but through the support of UNEP, IUCN, UNU and the triple presidency of the COP (Brazil, Germany and Japan), the Secretariat is pleased to announce that this e-conference will be made available early next year, in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.

Last but not least, the Secretariat encourages any of the CBD Parties and stakeholders to announce and promote this initiative through their national, regional or international networks.



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