Biodiversity and Health
Strengthening Synergies and Collaboration

When: Monday 8 October 2012, 13:15 – 14:45

Where: Room 1.06 - Level 1 (light lunch provided)

Biodiversity offers critical health-supporting ecosystem services and benefits. Public health arguments are an opportunity for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and biodiversity considerations can be used to achieve mutual benefits in national health strategies.

In recognition of the growing awareness of these synergies and opportunities for joint policies and implementation, there is increasing engagement between the health and biodiversity sectors.

This side event will provide updates on some current experiences and encourage dialogue on potential areas for further collaboration in the future.

Please join in the discussion!

Please turn over for the Programme

This side event will be conducted in English.
Programme

13:15-13:20
Welcome & Introductory Remarks

Dr. David Cooper, Principal Officer, CBD

13:20-13:50
Presentations on the Scientific and Traditional Knowledge Bases

Dr. Anne-Hélène Prieur-Richard, Deputy Director, DIVERSITAS
(Biodiversity and health: linkages and benefits)

Dra. María Yolanda Teran Maigua, Red de Mujeres Indígenas en Biodiversidad por América Latina y El Caribe, RIMB-LAC
(Indigenous and local communities)

13:50-14:30
Presentations on Regional Experiences

Dr. Wendy Jackson, New Zealand
(mental and physical health linkages)

Dr. Daniel Buss, Brazil
(health and water linkages)

Dr. Chris Bowden, SAVE and RSPB Vulture Programme Manager
IUCN Vulture Specialist Group
(diclofenac and vulture declines)

14:30-14:45
Presentation on Current Collaboration and Discussion on Ways Forward

Ms. Kathryn Campbell and Ms. Cristina Romanelli, CBD

A range of resources and publications will be available at the side event.

With special thanks to the Center for Health and the Global Environment at the Harvard School of Public Health (www.chge.sph.harvard.edu) for the generous donation of ‘How our health depends on biodiversity’ booklets that will be available at the side event.

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