

## Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity



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### February 2008

#### Activities organized by the Secretariat:

- Capacity-Building Workshop on Implementing NBSAPs and Mainstreaming Biodiversity for Southern and Eastern Africa, 4-8 February 2008, Rustenburg, South Africa
- Training workshop for the participants of the Second meeting of the Ad hoc Open-ended Working Group on Protected Areas, 10 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meeting of the COP Bureau, 10 February 2008, FAO, Rome, Italy
- Working lunch with high-level government representatives, in the margins of the Second meeting of the Ad hoc Open-ended Working Group on Protected Areas, 11 February 2008
- Second meeting of the Ad hoc Open-ended Working Group on Protected Areas, 11-15 February 2008, FAO, Rome, Italy
- Fourth Coordination Meeting for Governments and Organizations Implementing or Funding Biosafety Capacity-Building Activities, 11-13 February 2008, New Delhi, India
- Side event on Global Islands Partnership (GLISPA) Status and Perspectives, 12 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Press briefing on protected areas and the launch of the CBD Technical Series #36: "Protected Areas in today's world: their values and benefits for the welfare of the planet" and brochure on the "Benefits of Protected Areas", with a high-level participation which includes: the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Environment Minister of Ecuador, representatives from the Governments of Germany and Brazil, 12 February 2008, Rome, Italy



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- Meeting of the COP Bureau, 13 February 2008, FAO, Rome, Italy
- Side event on Strengthening National Capacity to Implement the Programme of Work: Activities since WGPA1 and a Potential Plan of Action through to COP-10, co-organized with TNC, IUCN-WCPA, WWF and WCS, 13 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Fifth meeting of the Liaison Group on Capacity-building for Biosafety, 14-15 February 2008, New Delhi, India
- Workshop on the development of national/regional biodiversity-related targets and indicators and their integration in national biodiversity strategies and action plans, 16 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Third meeting of the Informal Consultations on the Development of the Strategy for Resource Mobilization, 16 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Follow-up of Informal Consultative Meeting on the Suggested Draft Budget for the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocol for the Biennium 2009-2010, 16 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Training workshop for the participants of the thirteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, 17 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- SBSTTA Bureau meeting, 17 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Thirteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, 18-22 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- SBSTTA Bureau meeting, 19 February 2008
- Informal Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Consortium of Scientific Partners on Biodiversity, 19 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Working Lunch with the SBSTTA Bureau members and incoming members, 22 February 2008, Rome, Italy

#### Other activities:

- Take part in the meeting of the International Organizing Committee for the Third World Climate Conference, 4-6 February 2008, Geneva, Switzerland
- Participate in the WTO Trade and Environment Regional Workshop for Caribbean Countries, 4-6 February 2008, Bridgetown, Barbados
- Participate in the e-Discussion on Achieving Sustainable Development, hosted by MDGNet, organized by UN-DESA and UNDP, 4 February 14 March 2008 (online discussion)

- Meet with Mr. Thierry Lefèvre, researcher from Collège de France (Paris) and Prof. Dr. Thora Martina Herrmann, Chair of Canada Research in Ethno-ecology and Biodiversity Conservation, 5 February 2008, Montreal, Canada
- Meet with Mr. Felipe Adrían Vázquez-Gálvez, Executive Director of the Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC), 5 February 2008, Montreal, Canada
- Attend the 61st Council of the Federation of International Civil Servants Association, 6-8 February 2008, Torino, Italy
- Participate and deliver a statement at the International Conference: "100 Days to the U.N. Biodiversity Conference, Bonn 2008 Civil Society's Demands to CBD Parties", 7-8 February 2008, Berlin, Germany
- Press conference, in the margins of the International Conference: "100 Days to the U.N. Biodiversity Conference, Bonn 2008 Civil Society's Demands to CBD Parties", 8 February 2008, Berlin, Germany
- Interview with Mr. Marcus Frabken of the Green Magazine, 8 February 2008, Berlin, Germany
- Attend the side event organized by the Federal Government of Germany on 'The Life Web Initiative' A Global Initiative on Protected Areas, 11 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with Mr. Peter Bos, Senior Officer, Directorate for Nature, Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality, 12 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with Mr. Jochen Flasbarth, 13 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with Mr. Jan Heino, FAO Assistant Director-General, Forestry Department, 13 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with Mr. Peter Hilliges of the Kreditanstalt fur Wiederaufbau (KfW), 13 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with NGOs attending WGPA-2 meeting, 14 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meeting with Ms. Mary Rowan of USAID, 14 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Teleconference meeting with the Co-Chairs of the Liability and Redress for Biosafety, 13 February 2008
- Participate in the meeting of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests, 14-16 February 2008, UNFCCC Secretariat, Bonn, Germany
- Meet with Mr. Shakeel Bhatti, 16 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Joint IPPC-CBD Secretariat meeting, 17 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with the Aichi-Nagoya delegation attending SBSTTA-13, 17 February 2008, Rome, Italy

- Teleconference meeting with the Co-Chairs of the Liability and Redress for Biosafety, 18 February 2008
- Side event "Follow up of the consultative process towards an IMOSEB", 19 February 2008, in the margins of SBSTTA-13, Rome, Italy
- Side event "Regional forest cooperation—reaching the 2010 biodiversity target and the UNFF global objectives on forests by 2015", in the margins of SBSTTA-13, 19 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Side event "Strengthening the knowledge base for implementation of the CBD Presentation of the outcomes from the Fifth Trondheim Conference on Biodiversity", in the margins of SBSTTA-13, 19 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with Mr. Christian Mersmann, Managing Director of the Global Mechanism of the UNCCD, 19 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Joint informal meeting of the Bureaux of SBSTTA-13 and the Eleventh regular session of the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, 19 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with Ambassador Steffanini of France attending SBSTTA-13, 19 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with NGOs, 20 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meeting with Mr. Shakeel Bhatti, 20 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Side event "UNEP GEF projects on conservation and sustainable use of agricultural biodiversity", in the margins of SBSTTA-13, 20 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meeting with Mr. Parviz Koohafkan, Director Land and Water Division, Natural Resource Management and Environment Department, FAO, 20 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with Mr. Emile Frison, Director General of Bioversity International, 20 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with Mr. Christoph Bail, United Nations University, 20 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Joint informal meeting of the Bureaux of SBSTTA-13 and the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources, 21 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Meet with NFP for Japan, Ms. Horiuchi, 22 February 2008, Rome, Italy
- Workshop in preparation of the 12th session of the Intergovernmental Committee of WIPO, 22 23 February 2008, Chateau de Bossey, Switzerland
- Twelfth session of the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, 25-29 February 2008, Geneva, Switzerland
- Participate in the workshop on Ecotourism and Sustainable Development, 24 28 February 2008, San Salvador, El Salvador

- Take part in the second International Conference on Health and Biodiversity, 25-28 February 2008, Galway, Ireland
- Visit and meeting with Ambassador Raymundo Magno, Permanent Representative of Brazil to ICAO, and two senior staff representatives, 26 February 2008, CBD Secretariat, Montreal, Canada
- Interview via telephone with Mr. Eric Lyman, Special correspondent, BNA, Inc., 26 February 2008
- Meet with representatives from the Museums Nature Montréal regarding IBD 2008, 26 February 2008, at the Biodôme de Montréal, Canada
- Take part in the "Quatrième rencontre thématique de l'Observatoire TRANSGÈNE sur les techniques de restriction de l'utilisation génétique (TRUG) ou les gènes dits « Terminator », 27 February 2008, Québec City, Canada
- Attend the Consultative Stakeholder meeting of the upcoming Programme for Capacity-Building for Multilateral Environmental Agreements in African, Caribbean and Pacific Countries, 26-27 February 2008, Brussels, Belgium
- Participate in the OHCHR-IASG Meeting, 26-27 February 2008, Geneva, Switzerland
- Take part in the United Nations Inter-Agency Security Management Network meeting, 26-28 February 2008, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
- Meet with Mrs. Tebib, 27 February 2008, Montreal, Canada
- Participate in a COHAB-2 Satellite Workshop on Business and Ecosystems: Innovation, opportunities and challenges for the private sector, 29 February 2008, Shannon, Ireland

#### **Publications:**

- **■** *Gincana* 4: Partnerships
- CBD Technical Series # 34 Abstracts of Poster Presentations at the thirteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice of the Convention on Biological Diversity
- *CBD Technical Series* # 35 Abstracts of Poster Presentations at the second meeting of the Ad hoc Open-ended Working Group on Protected Areas
- *CBD Technical Series* # 36 "Protected Areas in today's world: their values and benefits for the welfare of the planet"
- Brochure: Benefits of Protected Areas
- Business.2010 newsletter Food, Feed, Fiber & Fuel an overview of biodiversity and agribusiness