

Following the expiration of the deadline of 30 September 2010 for pre-registrations for COP/MOP-5 and COP-10, **starting 04 October 2010**, any more pre-registration requests from **organisations** wishing to attend the meetings as observers will be processed on-site at the Nagoya Conference Center starting from **Friday, 8 October 2010**.

Representatives of such organisations wishing to be admitted as observers must bring to the registration desk an official letter from the Chief Executive or President of the organization indicating the names, titles and contact details of the delegates to the meeting.

Please note that, if the organization is new to the forum, or has not recently been admitted as an observer to a meeting of the COP (including when the COP serves as the meeting of the Parties to the Biosafety Protocol) or its subsidiary bodies, the following additional relevant information should be included with the letter:

(1) A statement demonstrating the organization's qualifications in fields relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity.

(2) A website address.

(3) The organization's statutes/by-laws or terms of reference demonstrating the organization's legitimacy as a bona fide organization constituted in its home country.

(4) Any other relevant information.

Individuals without an institutional affiliation cannot be admitted as observers to CBD meetings. The Secretariat reserves the right to refuse entry to any organisation's representatives.