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#### **MULTI-YEAR PLAN OF ACTION FOR SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION ON BIODIVERSITY FOR DEVELOPMENT**

*Draft recommendation submitted by the Chair*

The Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention *recommends* that the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting *adopts* a decision along the following lines:

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* its decision X/23, in which it welcomed the Multi-Year Plan of Action for South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity for Development as adopted by the Group of 77 and China at the South-South Cooperation Forum held on 17 October 2010,

*Welcoming* the outcomes of the third expert meeting on South-South Cooperation, hosted by the Republic of Korea through its National Institute of Biological Resources from 18 to 20 May 2011,

*Recognizing* that South-South cooperation, complemented and supported by North-South and triangular cooperation, are important contributions to the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020,

1. *Encourages* Parties, other Governments, relevant organizations and other stakeholders to implement the Multi-Year Plan of Action for South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity for Development in the context of nationally determined priorities, capacities and needs;

2. *[Reiterates* its invitation in its decision X/23 to] *[Recalls* its decision X/23 and *welcomes* the initiative of] the Global Environment Facility to consider establishing a South-South biodiversity cooperation trust fund for the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 including the Multi-Year Plan of Action based on voluntary contributions;

3. *Recalling* paragraph 5 of decision X/23, *requests* the Executive Secretary to promote South-South cooperation and triangular cooperation as part of a coherent, consistent and coordinated approach to technical and scientific cooperation and information exchange.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The recommendation on agenda item 3.2 is relevant in this regard, and cross references can be suggested once final text is available.

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