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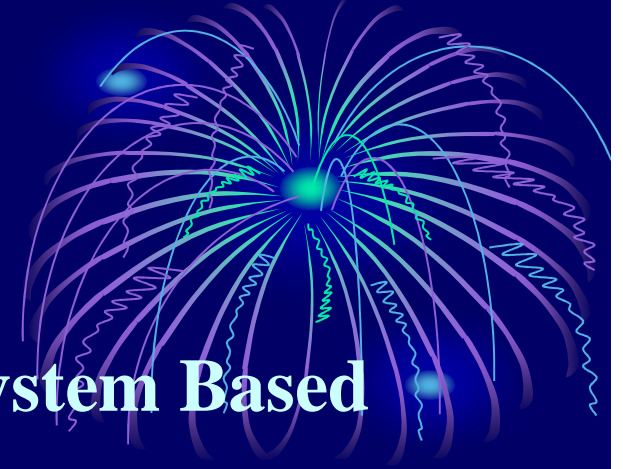
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MAINSTREAMING GENDER IN NBSAP

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OVERVIEW

1. Gender and Biodiversity
2. Gender Differentiated Uses – Ecosystem Based
3. Why the Gender Focus
4. Weak Gender Consideration in Biodiversity Planning
5. Basis for Gender Consideration in the CBD
6. Opportunity: CBD Guideline and Support
7. The Process
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1 GENDER and BIODIVERSITY

What is Gender?

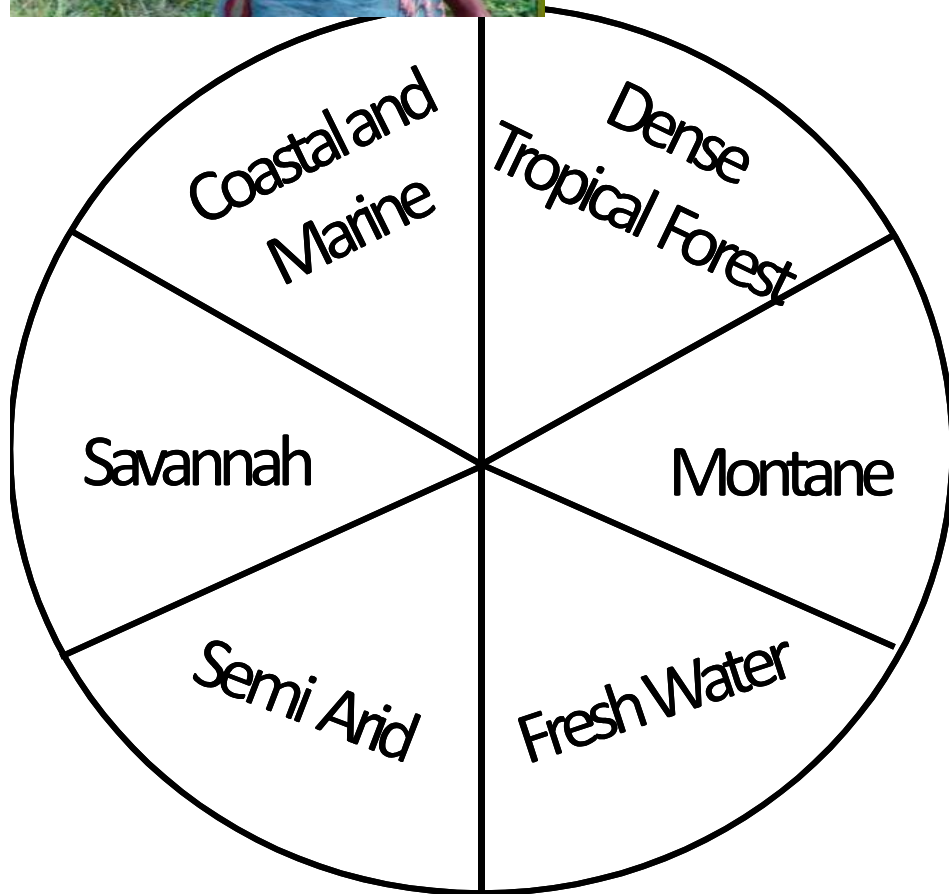
- Social pattern shaped by cultural variables in the relationships between women and men.
- Different roles and responsibilities shape use, access, benefits,
- Not natural, characterised by inequities, negatively impacts development,
- Demands action for change

Relationships of women with Biodiversity

- Intimate interaction with nature (plants, animals, ecosystems, wetlands)
- Access resources to largely sustain families: forest, agriculture, fishing, wild resources, urban centre use: buyam sellers,



**GENDER DIFFERENTIATED
USES
Ecosystem
Based**



ECOSYSTEM	USES
Coastal/ Marine/ Fresh water	Fishing/Smoking/ Agro/Commercial Food crops/Artisanal
Tropical Forest	Logging/Commercial NTFPs/Artisanal Fuel wood
Savannah/ Semi Arid	Cash crops/Commercial Food crops/Artisanal Slash and burn
Cross cutting Issues	Land Tenure Use rights Health rights

WHY THE GENDER FOCUS ?

- Negative impact of imbalance on development..
poverty has a female face
- National adherence to global commitment to redress gender inequities:
CEDAW- Beijing; Principle 20 of Rio Declaration, Chap 24 Agenda 21, CDB, COP decisions
- National priorities in promoting social and economic development recognize the importance of ensuring gender balance



Weak Gender consideration in Biodiversity Planning



NBSAPs

- VOID

Sector Plans

- General
- Women's empowerment

Financing

- Sporadic

Biological diversity an essential basis for human wellbeing and demands urgent action to ensure a sound and sustainable development for and involving all sexes.

BASIS FOR GENDER CONSIDERATIONS IN THE CBD

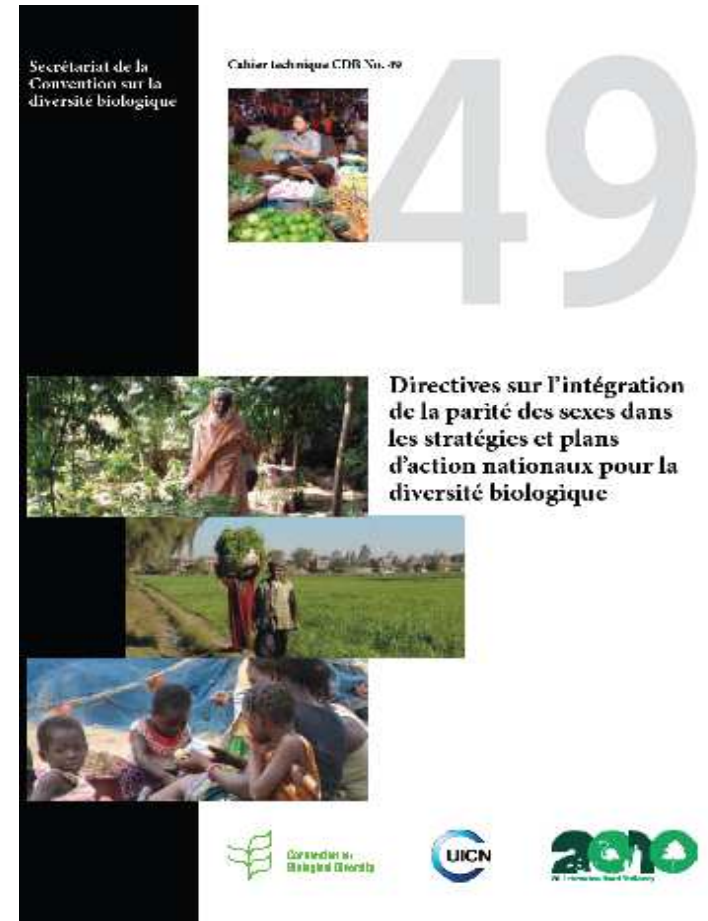
- COP Decision 1X/24 – Approval and endorsement of the CBD Gender plan of Action
- COP Decision X/19 – Amongst others:
Invited Parties to consider gender as a core cross-cutting issue in the implementation of biodiversity-related activities
- Urged Parties to promote the mainstreaming of gender considerations in developing, implementing and revising their national ...biodiversity strategies and action plans, ... taking into account the guidance provided in **the Technical Series No. 49**.

OPPORTUNITIES: CBD GUIDELINES AND SUPPORT

Support to countries for mainstreaming gender activities in the development of their NBSAP

Guidelines with two modules:

- Background and the legal framework for gender mainstreaming into NBSAPs
- Step by step guidance on process
- Three phases: Strategy, Action Plan, Monitoring



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THE PROCESS

Institutional Mapping /
Consult key players

Set Up a Gender
Task force

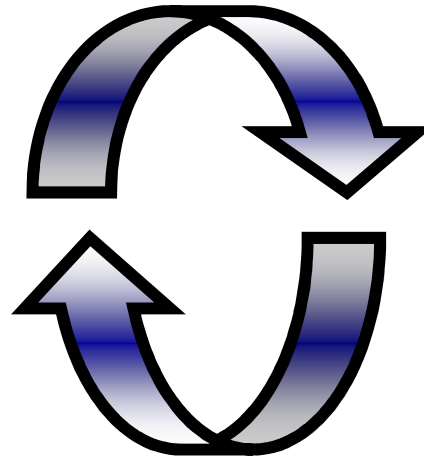
Engage Competent
Gender Experts

Evaluate and
Report

Conduct Study :
Stocktaking/ Assess

Implementation

Wide Outreach



Mainstream in
Sector Plans

Wide Consultation
to set priorities

Elaborate a Cross Cutting
Strategy and Action Plan

THE WAY FORWARD

- GENERATE THE MOMENTUM
- ESTABLISH ESSENTIAL LINKAGES
- MAKE USE OF EXISTING INITIATIVES AND INSTITUTIONAL SET UPS
- HIGHLY PARTICIPATORY (INVOLVE WOMEN AND MEN)





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