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NOTIFICATION

International Conference: A global partnership for plant conservation – Supporting the worldwide implementation of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation (Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, USA, 5-7 July 2011)

Dear Madam/Sir,

In decision X/17, the Conference of the Parties adopted the updated Global Strategy for Plant Conservation 2011-2020 and requested the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation and other partners and relevant organizations, to undertake a number of activities aimed at promoting and supporting implementation of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation.

I am pleased to inform you that, at the initiative of the Chair of the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation, an international conference titled "A global partnership for plant conservation – Supporting the worldwide implementation of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation" will be held at Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, USA from 5 to 7 July 2011. Organized by the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation (GPPC) in association with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity and Botanic Gardens Conservation International, the Conference is expected to bring together up to 150 delegates including national focal points for the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation, plant conservationists, representatives of GPPC partner organizations and others.

I hereby invite GSPC focal points to consider participating in the conference and to share this information with other plant experts. A note with further details on the conference is available from http://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/pc/gppc-gspc-01/other/gppc-gspc-01-annoucement-en.pdf.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Ahmed Djoghlaf Executive Secretary

To: GSPC focal points



