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NOTIFICATION

Call for nominations for the Second Meeting of the Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development Chennai, India, 4-6 December 2013

Madam/Sir,

At its eleventh meeting, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 11) decided that the Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development will continue its work in accordance with the Terms of Reference annexed to decision XI/22 (para. 4).

The Expert Group's work will focus on COP [decision X/6](#) and [decision XI/22](#) dealing with biodiversity for poverty eradication and development, taking into account the ongoing process following the outcomes of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (UNCSD, Rio+20).

With generous support provided by the Governments of Japan, France and India, the Secretariat is hereby convening the second Expert Group Meeting, as a follow-up to the first Expert Group Meeting held in Dehradun, India, in 2011. The second meeting will be held in Chennai, India, from 4 to 6 December 2013, back-to-back with the second meeting of the High-level Panel (HLP) on Global Assessment of Resources for Implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020. It will start with a joint session with the HLP meeting on 4 December 2013.

The Expert Group will:

- (a) Prepare, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth meeting through the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation (WGRI 5), a report including:
 - i. A thematically restructured and streamlined draft of the *Dehradun Recommendations* ([UNEP/CBD/COP/11/33/Rev.1, annex](#)); and
 - ii. Guidance for implementation drawn from a review of experiences with implementation of the integration of biodiversity and poverty eradication, reflection on root causes and drivers of biodiversity loss and poverty eradication, as well as linkages to other relevant policies;
- (b) Provide guidance towards a conceptual framework and roadmap for the integration of biodiversity into poverty eradication and development in the context of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets.

In accordance with annex, paragraph 3 of decision X/6, the Expert Group shall be regionally balanced and composed of 25 experts nominated by Parties and 15 observers. Pursuant to annex,

To: CBD National Focal Points, other Governments and relevant organizations



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paragraph 4, of the same decision, based on the nominations received, the list of selected experts and observers will be recommended for approval by the COP Bureau.

Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations are therefore invited to nominate, and/or re-nominate (see *Annex I*), experts to serve as a member of this Expert Group, and provide the Secretariat with the name, full contact information and *curriculum vitae* of their selected experts via an official letter addressed to: secretariat@cbd.int. Nominees should be recognized experts in the area of poverty eradication, development, biodiversity, ecosystems services and related fields. Experience in conducting similar work to the present terms of reference or other inter-sectoral integration and sustainable development programmes, for the CBD or other UN Offices, will be an asset. Nominations/re-nominations should be received no later than **23 September 2013**.

The work will start through online means as soon as the Expert Group is established and will continue the same way after the meeting until the report is finalized for WGRI 5 and COP 12.

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

Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias
Executive Secretary

Enclosure

Annex
Expert Group Members Nominated by Parties
Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development Meeting held in Dehradun (India), in 2011

| REGION | NAME | * | FUNCTION | COUNTRY |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| AFRICA | Mr. Bienvenu Celestin Bossou, Mensah | | Directeur Général Adjoint des Forêts et des Ressources Naturelles, Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Protection de la Nature, Cotonou, Benin | Benin |
| | Mr. Abakar, Doungous | | Directeur Général Adjoint du Budget, Ministère des Finances et du Budget, N'Djamena, Chad | Chad |
| | Dr. Naicker, Kiruben | | Deputy Director: Biodiversity Planning, Department of Environmental Affairs, Pretoria, South Africa | South Africa |
| | Dr. El Awad Mohammed Ahmed, El Khitma | √ | Senior Researcher, Higher Council for Environment and Natural Resources, Khartoum, Sudan | Sudan |
| | Ms. Galega, Prudence Tangham | √ | Technical Adviser, Ministry of Environment and Nature Protection, Cabinet of the Minister, Yaounde, Cameroon | Cameroon |
| ASIA | Mr. Pande, Hem | √ | Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment, India | India |
| | Mr. Suzuki, Kazunobu | | Advisor, Forestry and Nature Conservation Division 1, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Global Environment Department, Japan | Japan |
| | Ms. Teuea, Turang | √ | Acting Biodiversity and Conservation Officer, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Agricultural Development, Environment and Conservation Division, Bikenibeu Tarawa, Republic of Kiribati | Republic of Kiribati |
| | Mr. Lee, Byoung-Hee | | Research Officer, National Institute of Biological Resources, Biological Resources Coordination Division, Incheon, Republic of Korea (South Korea) | Republic of Korea |
| EASTERN EUROPE | Mrs Khelaia, Nona | √ | Chief Specialist of Biodiversity Protection Service, Ministry of Environment Protection, Tbilisi, Georgia | Georgia |
| | Ms. Rotaru, Ala | √ | Head of Division, Natural Resources and Biodiversity Division, Ministry of Environment, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova | Republic of Moldova |
| WESTERN EUROPE | Mr. Gettkant, Andreas | √ | Planning and Development, Division 47 Environment and Climate Change, Federal Ministry of Environment, Eschborn, Germany | Germany |
| | Mr. ten Brink, Bernard | √ | Leader of the International Biodiversity Program, Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency (PBL), Department of Nature and Rural Areas (NLG), Bilthoven, The Netherlands | Netherlands |
| | Ms. Herstad, Bente | √ | Director, Norad, Dept. of Climate, Environment and Natural Resources, Oslo, Norway | Norway |
| | Ms. Roe, Dilys | | Senior Researcher, International Institute for Environment and Development, Natural Resources Group, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland | United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland |
| LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN | Mr. Hernando Tapia Caicedo, Carlos | | Coordinador del Programa de Dimensiones Socioeconomicas de la Conservacion y el Uso Sostenible de la Biodiversidad, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Instituto Alexander von Humboldt, Colombia | Colombia |
| | Mr. Forteau, Aden | √ | Chief Forestry Officer, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, St George's, Grenada | Grenada |
| | Dr. Thomas, Spencer | | Biodiversit Coordinator, Ministry of Environment, Foreign Trade and Export Development, St George's, Grenada | Grenada |
| | Mr. Lorenzo Alonso, Santiago | √ | Director General Adjunto de Acuerdos Ambientales Multilaterales, Secretaría de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales, Unidad Coordinadora de Asuntos Internacionales, Mexico | Mexico |
| | Mr. Eberhard, Adalberto | √ | Director, Ministério do Meio Ambiente Esplanada dos Minstérios, Departamento de Zoneamento Territorial, Brazil | Brazil |

*Note: √ refers to experts who attended the meeting