

NOTIFICATION

The multilateral mechanism for the fair and equitable sharing of benefits from the use of digital sequence information on genetic resources, including a global fund (“The Cali Fund”):

Submission of information on national, regional or international standards on thresholds determining small, medium and large entities

Dear Sir or Madam,

As noted in notification [2024-113](#), at its sixteenth meeting, by [decision 16/2](#), the Conference of the Parties adopted the modalities for operationalizing the multilateral mechanism for benefit-sharing from the use of digital sequence information on genetic resources, including the global fund, which are set out in the annex to the decision, and decided that the global fund will be known as the Cali Fund for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources. By the same decision, Parties also set out some intersessional work.

The Conference of the Parties, in the annex to decision 16/2, included thresholds for contributions to the Cali Fund for the entities that are users of digital sequence information on genetic resources in sectors that directly or indirectly benefit from its use in their commercial activities. Also, in paragraph 6(d) of the decision, it requested the Executive Secretary, subject to available resources, to prepare a study on national and international standards for the identification of small, medium and large entities.

As an input to this work, Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant organizations are invited to submit information on such standards and to send their views as soon as possible but no later than **18 April 2025**, through the central portal of the clearing-house mechanism using the following link: <https://chm.cbd.int/submit/submission/new?notification=2024-116>. Should technical problems prevent the use of the clearing-house mechanism, contributions may be sent through an official letter addressed to the Executive Secretary, by e-mail to secretariat@cbd.int. The Secretariat will make all views received available online.

Please note that this notification is part of a series of four notifications on digital sequence information on genetic resources (see also notifications [2024-113](#), [2024-114](#), and [2024-115](#)).

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

(Signed) Astrid Schomaker
Executive Secretary

To: CBD national focal points, ABS national focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant organizations