

International Day for Biological Diversity 2013

Water and Biodiversity



Water is essential for life. No living being on planet Earth can survive without it. It is a prerequisite for human health and well-being as well as for the preservation of the environment. The theme Water and Biodiversity was chosen to coincide with the United Nations designation of 2013 as the International Year of Water Cooperation. Water and Biodiversity is the theme for International Day for Biological Diversity (IDB) in 2013. Designation of IDB 2013 on the theme of water provides Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and the public at large the opportunity to raise awareness about this vital issue, and to increase positive action.¹

CAREC invites biodiversity-related organizations to this informal meeting to present their research, conservation or sustainable use activities and to exchange about on-going and planned biodiversity activities.

Date & time: 22nd of May, 2013, 2 pm

Venue: CAREC, 40-Orbita 1, 050043 Almaty

Draft agenda

Time	Presentation topic	Participants
2:00 - 2:10	Introduction	Benjamin Mohr, CAREC
2:10 - 2:25 2:25 -2:30	International efforts for the protection and sustainable use of Biodiversity and possible implications for Central Asia (IPBES / Nagoya / Rio+20) Water related Biodiversity Q & A	Rustam Arstanov, CAREC Anna Inozemtseva, CAREC
2:30 -2:45 2:45 - 2:50	Ramsar Convention and IBA (Important Bird Areas) Q & A	Sergei Sklyarenko, Association for the Conservation of the Biological Diversity of Kazakhstan (ACBK)
3:10 – 3:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
3:30 – 3:45 3:45 – 3:50	In Situ Conservation of Biodiversity in Kazakhstan, policies in Kazakhstan in regard to the implementation of the CBD Q & A	Arkadiy Rodionov, Institute of Ecology and Sustainable Development (IESD)
3:50- 4:05 4:05 -4:10	Community based biodiversity projects in Kazakhstan Q & A	Yekaterina Yushenko, GEF-SGP
4:30- 4:40	Closing remarks	Benjamin Mohr, CAREC

* Participation tentative, to be confirmed

¹ <http://www.cbd.int/idb/2013/>