

Third ABS Capacity Development Workshop for Africa

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Draft Workshop Programme

Sunday, 23.11.08	
08.30	Arrival at Diego Suarez Airport
09.00	Guided bus tour to Diego and surrounding region
14.00	Check-in at hotels
16.00	Registration at the Grand Hôtel
17.00	<p>Opening Ceremony at the Grand Hotel Diego</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome addresses by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ABS Africa Initiative (AD / FH / SB) - N.N., Lord Major of Diego - N.N., Chief of Region - Valerie Normand, CBD Secretariat - H.E. Dr. Wolfgang Moser, Ambassador of Germany - H.E. Harison Edmond Randriarimanana, Minister of Environment, Forest and Tourism • Vision for ABS in Africa <i>Kabir Bavikatte, Natural Justice, South Africa</i> • Filmreport "The Teff Cereal – An Ethiopian-Dutch Bioprospecting Case" Introduction by <i>Suhel al-Janabi, ABS Africa Initiative, Germany</i>
18.30	Dinner reception at the Grand Hôtel hosted by the Government of Madagascar and Diego Region

Monday, 24.11.08	"Espace MAHEFA"
08.00	Departure at the hotels (pick-up at Hotel Firdoss and Hotel Colbert)
08.30	<p>Setting the Scene</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical remarks (moderators) • Getting acquainted (moderators)
09.15	<p>Update from the sub-regions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central African Forest Commission (COMIFAC) <i>Rufin Antoine Oko, Groupe de Travail Biodiversité d'Afrique Central (GTBAC), Gabon</i> • Western Africa, Mahgreb and the Indian Ocean Islands <i>Samuel Diemé, Direction des Parcs Nationaux, Senegal</i>
10.00	Coffe break
10.30	<p>Looking back: WGABS 5 & 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elements of the International Regime "Bricks and Bullets" <i>Valerie Normand, SCBD</i> <p>ABS news from COP 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take-off with 'Concepts' and 'Compliance': "Importance and Challenges" <i>Fernando Casas and Timothy Hodges, Co-chairs of the WGABS</i>
12.30	Lunch
14.00	<p>Bioprospection between ABS and CITES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to CITES <i>Mme Floul, tbc.</i> • Hoodia gordonii in Southern Africa <i>Robby Gass, Southern African Hoodia Growers Associations (SAHGA), South Africa</i> <i>Jones Muleso Kharika, Department for Environment and Tourism (DEAT), South Africa – tbc.</i> <i>Dr. Vinesh Maharaj, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), South Africa</i> <i>Merjl Joy Schippers, South African San Institute (SASI)</i>
15.45	Coffe break
16.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prunus africana in Central Africa <i>Mme. Floul, CITES FP, Madagascar</i> <i>Mary Fosy Mbantenkhu, CBD NFP, Cameroon</i> <i>Augustine Njamshi, The Access Initiative (TAI), Cameroon</i> <i>Mana Toukour, SARL-SEXPRO, Cameroon</i> <i>N.N., private sector rep Madagascar,</i>

17.30	<p>The Madagascar International Cooperative Biodiversity Group (ICBG)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the ICBG-Madagascar bioprospecting programme <i>Etienne Rotokobe, Centre National d'Applications et des Recherches Pharmaceutiques (CNARP), Madagascar</i> • Research Questions for the fieldtrip
18.00	Transfer to hotels
Tuesday, 25.11.08	Fieldtrip
06.30	Departure at the hotels (Pick-up at Hotel Firdoss and Hotel Colbert)
07.30	<p>Working Breakfast at the “Montagne des Français”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the research methodology of ICBG-Madagascar <i>Etienne Rotokobe, Centre National d'Applications et des Recherches Pharmaceutiques (CNARP), Madagascar</i>
08.30	Fieldwork – Bioprospecting a sample area
11.00	Return to „Espace MAHEFA”
11.45	Lunch
13.00	<p>“Benefit Sharing” upfront payments and more?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit of village projects supported by ICBG-Madagascar
14:45	Return to „Espace MAHEFA”
15.00	<p>Data processing methods of ICBG-Madagascar (GIS, data bases, specimens) <i>Etienne Rotokobe, Centre National d'Applications et des Recherches Pharmaceutiques (CNARP), Madagascar</i></p>
15.45	Coffee break
16.00	<p>ICBG-Madagascar – the broader picture <i>Etienne Rotokobe, Centre National d'Applications et des Recherches Pharmaceutiques (CNARP), Madagascar</i></p> <p>Panel discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>N.N., Chef de Région</i> • <i>N.N., Population locale (Mayor of village)</i> • <i>Pete Lawry, Missouri Botanical Garden – ICBG USA</i> • <i>Naritiana Rakotoniaina, Service d'Appui a la Gestion de l'Environnement (SAGE) – ABS NFP Madagascar</i> • <i>Laurette Hermine Rasoavahiny, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Tourism (MEFT) – CDB NFP Madagascar</i> • <i>Etienne Rotokobe, Centre National d'Applications et des Recherches Pharmaceutiques (CNARP) – ICBG Madagascar</i>
18.00	Transfer to the hotels
20.00	Dinner at the residence of the “ <i>Chef de Région</i> ”

Wednesday, 26.11.08	Espace MAHEFA
08.00	Departure at the hotels (pick-up at Hotel Firdoss and Hotel Colbert)
08.30	Recalling days 1 & 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • News and features • Feedback on the research questions
09.30	African perspectives on 'Concepts', 'Compliance' and 'Traditional knowledge' (working groups in parallel) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of the tasks of the working groups
10.00	Coffee break
10.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group work: Lessons from the cases
11.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of the ToR of the Groups of Technical and Legal Experts <i>Valerie Normand, SCBD</i> • Group work: Comparison with the ToR of the Groups of Technical and Legal Experts (GTLE)
12.30	Lunch
14.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of the draft submission of the African Group on operational text for the international ABS regime <i>Member of the drafting group</i> • Group work: Comparison with the draft operational text
16.00	Coffee break
16.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group work – continued
17.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report back to plenary
18.00	Transfer to the hotels
Thursday, 27.11.08	Espace MAHEFA
08.00	Departure at the hotels (pick-up at Hotel Firdoss and Hotel Colbert)
08.30	A practical guide through the jungle of ABS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the ABS Management Tool <i>Jorge Cabrera, Costa Rica</i> • Questions / discussion
10.00	Coffee break
10.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercise • Discussion and evaluation
12.30	Lunch

14.00	ABS and CEPA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges for communicating ABS <i>Suhel al-Janabi, ABS Africa Initiative, Germany</i> Questions / discussion
16.00	Coffee break
16.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group work Discussion
18.00	Transfer to the hotels
Friday, 28.11.08	Espace MAHEFA
08.00	Departure at the hotels (pick-up at Hotel Firdoss and Hotel Colbert)
08.30	Operational text for the international ABS regime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion: 'Concepts' and 'Compliance' Recommendations for an African perspective on 'Concepts' and 'Compliance'
10.00	Coffee break
10.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation of the full draft submission of the African Group on operational text for the international ABS regime <i>Member of the drafting group</i> Discussion of the draft text: strengths and weaknesses
12.30	Lunch
14.00	From Bonn to Nagoya Roadmap of the ABS Africa Initiative until 2011 Mandate of the ABS Africa Initiative
15.00	Closure
17.30	Barbecue at the beach