## **Provisional Agenda**

Regional Preparatory Meeting for African Delegates prior to the 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open Ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-Sharing Sharing (WG ABS-8)

7th and 8th November 2009, ICAO, Room 3 in Montreal, Canada



Saturday 07.11.2009	I. Opening and Briefing Session
09.00	Opening by the ABS intersessional coordinator of the African Group (Sem Shikongo)
	Welcome notes by supporting partners of the ABS Capacity Development Initiative for Africa
09.30	Discussion/Consultation with the Co Chairs of ABSWG, Fernando Casas and Tim Hodges
10.00	Remarks by the Manager of the ABS Capacity Development Initiative for Africa (Dr. Andreas Drews)
	<ul> <li>Welcome address and briefing on agenda items to be discussed during ABS WG8 (Valerie Normand, SCBD)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Outlook on the next Pan African ABS Multi-Stakeholder Workshop in Alexandria, Egypt (69.12.2009) (Andreas / Ossama)</li> </ul>
10.45	Coffee break
11.15	<ul> <li>Presentation and discussion on the planned African Minister's Meeting on ABS in Windhoek, Namibia (810. 3. 2009) (Sem/Suhel)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Report back about key results of WIPO - IGC 14<sup>th</sup> session and outlook on the meeting of African negotiators to the IGC of WIPO to be held in Nairobi prior to WIPO - IGC 15th session (Susanna, Gino)</li> </ul>
12.00	Internal consultation/coordination - African Group <sup>1</sup>
13.00	Lunch
14.00	Internal consultation/coordination - African Group
18.00	Closure















<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Closed session for internal consultation/ coordination of the African Group

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