Access ABS Capacity Development and Initiative for Africa







SECOND AFRICAN INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES PREPARATORY MEETING ON ACCESS AND BENEFIT SHARING AND TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE

Dates: 30 August to 01 September 2010

Place: The Cape Town Lodge & Conference Center, Cape Town, South Africa

Organisers: Hosted by the ABS Capacity Development Initiative for Africa in collaboration

with the Indigenous Information Network, the Indigenous Peoples of Africa Co-

ordinating Committee and Natural Justice

Objectives of the Meeting

- To exchange first-hand experiences with bioprospecting and/or biopiracy
- To brief participants on (1) process and status of the negotiation of the International Regime on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) with a special focus on the inclusion of traditional knowledge (TK), (2) process and status of the TK-related negotiation under the World Intellectual Property Rights Organization (WIPO), and (3) on the outcomes of the last meeting of the Working Group on Article 8j on TK;
- To discuss the relevant draft decisions for the 10th Conference of the Parties of the CBD
- To develop an African ILC perspective on these draft decisions

DRAFT AGENDA

Day One:

- 9h00 Welcome and Introductions (Barbara Lassen, ABS Initiative)
- 09h30 Setting the scene and programme overview (Facilitators)

10h30 Tea/Coffee Break

- 11h00 The negotiations of ABS and Article 8j under the CBD: where do we stand? (John Scott, SCBD)
- 12:30 What is at stake for genetic resources and traditional knowledge at COP 10? Panel and discussions

12h30 Lunch Break

- 14h00 The Hoodia case: lessons learned for ABS (Mathambo Ngakaeaja, tbc)
 Discussions
- 15h30 Tea/Coffee Break
- 16h00 Exchange of local experiences with bioprospecting and/or biopiracy













Day Two:

9h00 Summary of Day One

09h30 Draft Decisions on Article 8j (John Scott, SCBD)

Discussions

10h30 Tea/Coffee Break

10h30 Draft Decisions on Article 8j (continued)

Discussions

12h30 Lunch Break

14h00 Draft ABS protocol (Kabir Bavikatte, Natural Justice)

Discussions

15h30 Tea/Coffee Break

16h00 TK negotiations at the World Intellectual Property Organization (Olivier Rukundo,

ABS Initiative)

Discussions

17h30 End of Day Two

Day Three:

9h00 Summary of Day One

09:30 Plenary discussion: recommendations on 8j and ABS

10h30 Tea/Coffee Break

10h30 2 parallel drafting groups: 8j and ABS

12h30 Lunch Break

14h00 2 parallel drafting groups (continued)

15h30 Tea/Coffee Break

16h00 Presentation of the draft recommendations, plenary discussion and approval

17h00 Wrap up and Meeting Evaluation

17h30 End of meeting