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ABS Capacity Development Initiative

23 to 27 February 2015, Radisson Blu Hotel, Addis Ababa

A G E N D A

Monday, 23 February 2015: Opening & Reporting	
08.00	Registration
09.00	Opening Session Welcome and Remarks ABS Capacity Development Initiative, <i>Andreas Drews</i> Ethiopian Biodiversity Institute, <i>Gemedo Dalle</i> AUC / Department for Human Resources, Science and Technology, <i>Beatrice Njenga</i> Objectives and agenda of the workshop & Getting to know each other
10.00	Coffee / tea
10.30	ABS Update – African Processes From Cotonou to Addis <i>Lena Fey, ABS Capacity Development Initiative</i> Discussion
11.15	UNEP/GEF ABS project for 6 African countries <i>Hartmut Meyer, ABS Capacity Development Initiative</i> UNEP-implemented GEF ABS projects <i>Kamar Yousuf, UNEP</i> African project on biocultural community protocols <i>Lesle Jansen, Natural Justice, South Africa</i> Discussion
12.30	Lunch
14.00	ABS Update – International Processes COP-MOP 1 of the Nagoya Protocol on ABS and implications for the region <i>Erie Tamale, CBD Secretariat</i> Linkages between the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture and the Nagoya Protocol on ABS <i>Kent Nnadozie, Secretariat of the International Treaty</i> Results and state of the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore <i>Begoña Venero Aguirre, WIPO / Traditional Knowledge Division</i> Discussion

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15.30	Coffee / tea
16:00	ABS Country Updates Introduction into questionnaire and group work
17.30	End of program

Tuesday, 24 February 2015: Options for a coordinated approach to ABS in Africa

09.00	ABS Country Updates Report and discussion <i>Olivier Rukundo, ABS Capacity Development Initiative</i>
10.30	Coffee / tea
11.00	Presentation of the African Union ABS Guidelines Overview, Key elements, and the Way Forward <i>Pierre du Plessis & Olivier Rukundo, ABS Capacity Development Initiative</i> Discussion
12.30	Lunch
14.00	Strategic considerations for African ABS systems Implications of ABS regulations in user countries for provider countries <i>Hartmut Meyer, ABS Capacity Development Initiative</i> Valorisation: Outcome of patent and market studies <i>Paul Oldham, One World Analytics, UK</i>
15.30	Coffee / tea
16.00	Strategic considerations for African ABS systems Implications of business models in different sectors for ABS regulations <i>Suhel al-Janabi, ABS Capacity Development Initiative</i> <i>Christine Akello Echokit, National Environment Management Authority, Uganda</i> <i>Lucy Mulenkei, Indigenous Information Network, Kenya</i>
17.30	End of program

Wednesday, 25 February 2015: Field Trip

09.00	Introduction into the <i>Aloe debrana</i> case Ethiopian Biodiversity Institute, Tesfaye Awas G-Seven Trading & Industry PLC, Temesgen Tesfaye Community representative, Hailu Tesfaye & Seyoun Kiros Discussion
10.30	Coffee / tea
11:00	Transfer to Akaki
12.30	Lunch



14:00	Visit of the G-Seven factories
17:00	Transfer to Addis Ababa
18.00	End of program

Thursday, 26 February 2015: Designing national ABS strategies and regulations

09.00	Insights from the field trip Recommendations for renewing the MAT for the <i>Aloe debrana</i> contract
10.30	Coffee / tea
11.00	Options for creating national systems for the protection and utilisation of aTK <i>Begoña Venero Aguirre, WIPO</i>
12.30	Lunch
14.00	Building effective and coordinated ABS systems in Africa Recap of inputs and group work
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flexible	Building effective and coordinated ABS systems in Africa <i>to be continued</i>
17.30	End of programme

Friday, 27 February 2015: Designing national ABS strategies and regulations & The way forward

09.00	Building effective and coordinated ABS systems in Africa Report of group work
10.30	Coffee / tea
11.00	Reflections on workshop outcomes Common approaches and recommendations for implementing the Nagoya Protocol
12.30	Lunch
14.00	Way Forward 2015: workshop outcomes The new phase of the ABS Initiative: Strategy and work plan 2015 <i>Andreas Drews, ABS Capacity Development Initiative</i>
15.00	Closing
15.30	End of workshop