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RENFORCEMENT
DES CAPACITES
POUR L'**APA**

Access and Benefit (ABS)

- Success and achievements within BIOPAMA -

Long Term Solutions for Biodiversity and Protected Area Management in ACP

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ABS

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Multi-donor Initiative



Hosted by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

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Regional scope: All members of the African Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Group of States

Since 2011

BIOPAMA

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Partnerships & Collaboration

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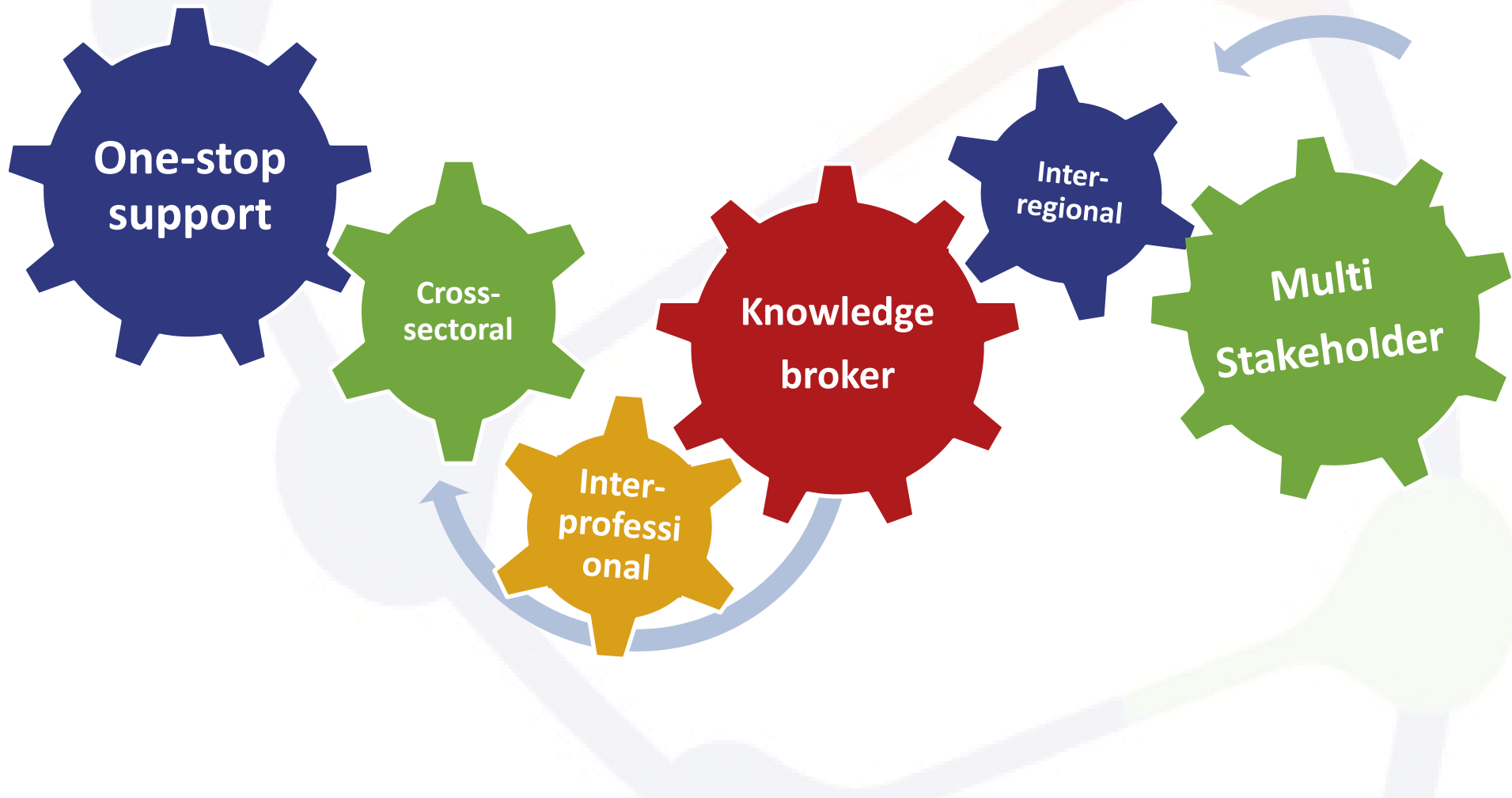
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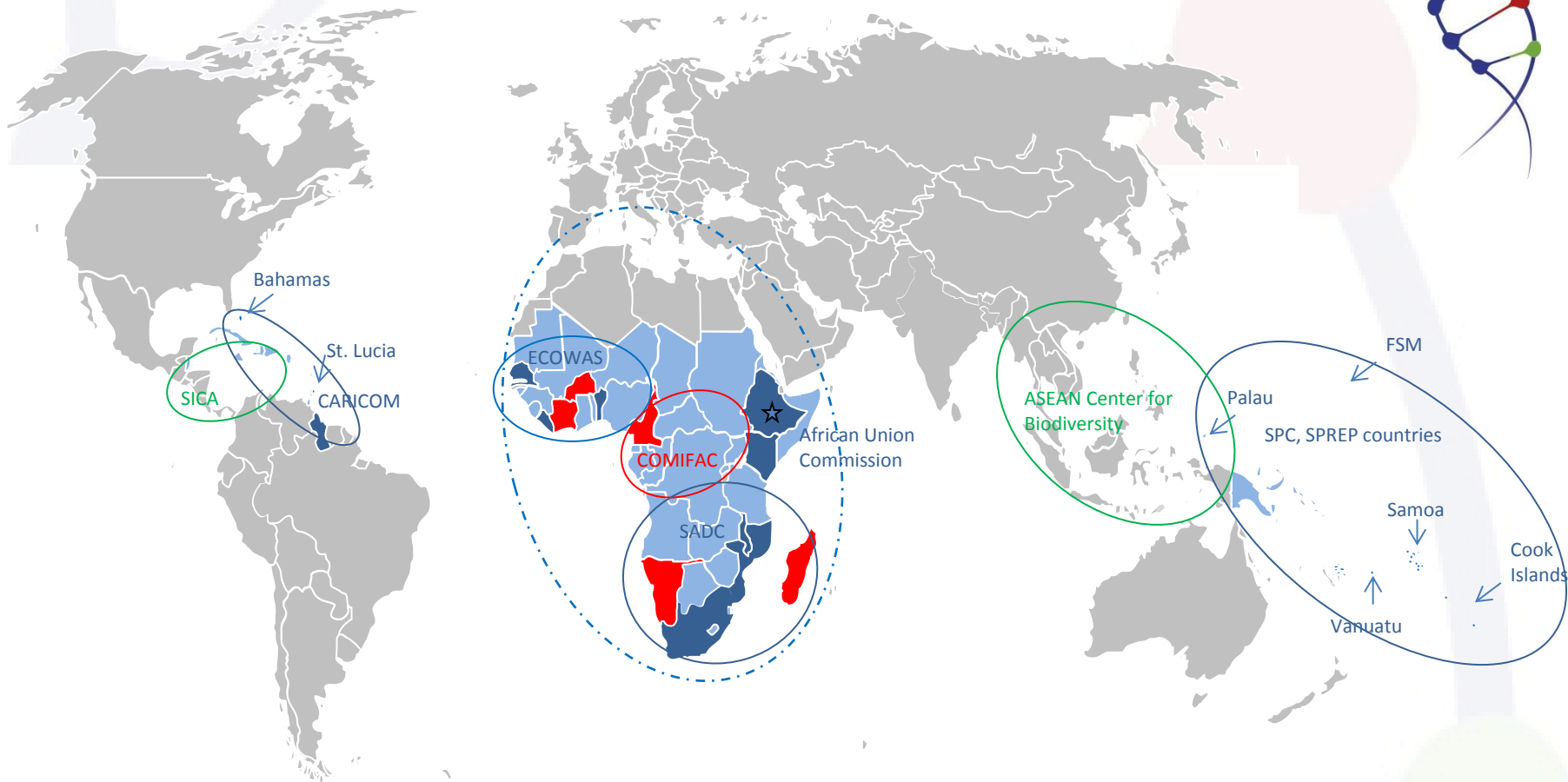
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Over 10 years of ABS experience



Intervention ACP (Sub-)regions and Countries



ABS Initiative direct:

Bahamas	Mosambik	<u>Regional Organisations</u>
Benin	Palau	AUC, ECOWAS, SADC
Cook Islands	Samoa	CARICOM
FS Micronesia	Senegal	SPC, SPREP
Guyana	St. Lucia	
Kenia	South Africa	
Liberia	Vanuatu	
Malawi		

ABS Initiative w / bilateral DC

Burkina Faso	<u>Regional Organisations</u>
Côte d'Ivoire	COMIFAC
Cameroon	
Madagascar	
Namibia	

ABS only in bilateraler DC of ABS Initiative's donors

Sistema de la Integración Centroamericana (SICA)
ASEAN Center for Biodiversity (ACB)

Draft ABS Policies and Regulations



The **ABS Initiative** advises on the development of draft Nagoya Protocol compliant policies and regulations

Benin, Cameroon, Madagascar, Micronesia, Morocco, Namibia, Palau, Samoa, Senegal

African Union (AU) Strategic and Practical ABS Guidelines



ABS & Protected Areas

ABS is ...

(economic) incentive to practice conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity

financing source/mechanism for PA management

Some achievements

Study on the linkages between ABS and protected area management (with **FNI**)

GIZ and ABS Initiative support of the **Namibian Community-based Natural Resource Management (CBNRM) Programme**

Himba: Improved capacity to manage their resources and enterprises

FNI REPORT 4/2014

Protected Areas and ABS:
Getting Most of the Two

Balaramdas Pimpoti



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Regional ABS Roadmaps – Caribbean, Pacific



The ABS Initiative organizes workshops and trainings

Analysis of bioprospecting / ABS cases

Pacific: marine bioprospecting and the relevance of marine genetic resources different business sectors

Caribbean: sharing of experiences and lessons learned
– recent request by OECS for support



ABS negotiations



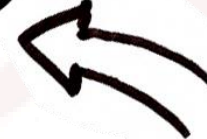
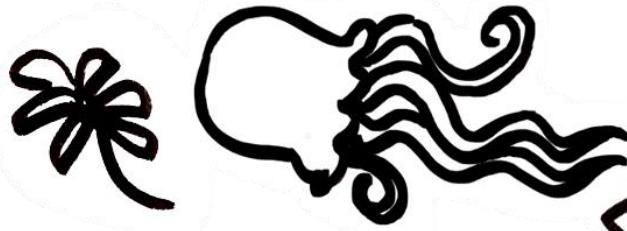
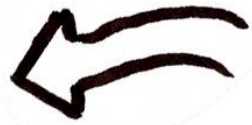
The ABS Initiative facilitates the negotiation of ABS agreements

Upfront capacity building of regulators and local providers

Signing of ABS agreements in Cameroon and Namibia



ABS Compliant Value Chains



The ABS Initiative interacts directly with commercial and non-commercial users, fosters mutual learning cooperation

Studies and Best Practices

Concept development
(e.g. with LVMH, BASF, MANE)

ABS Business Dialogues



Thematic sessions
Coaching of providers

Technical briefs
Trainings

Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs)



The ABS Initiative, in collaboration with the NGO Natural Justice:

- supports IPLCs in managing their natural resources and interacting with users and governmental institutions
- facilitates the establishment of ABS agreements between IPLCs and users

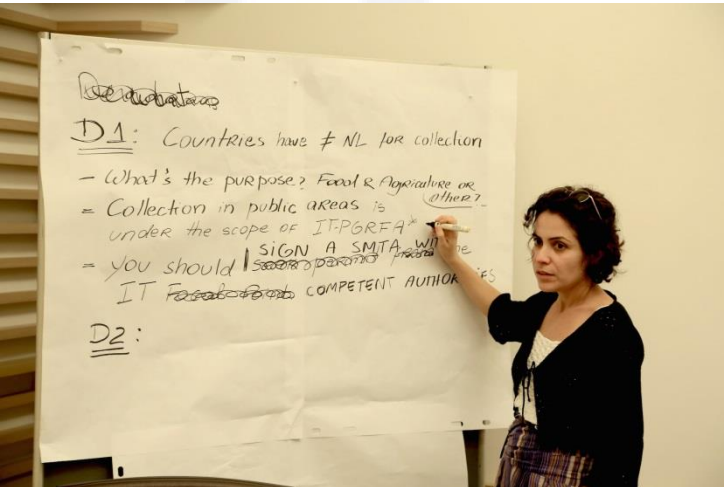
Bio-cultural community protocols (BCPs) recognized in (draft) ABS regulatory frameworks

Traditional Knowledge Documentation

IPR Training



Lawyers and legal drafters



IDLO in partnership with the ABS Initiative started the development of an ABS toolkit and training course for lawyers and legal drafters

=> Pilot training course for ACP lawyers in 2014

Legal requirements of the Nagoya Protocol

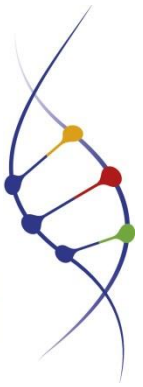
Key technical resources available

Latest research on legal frameworks

=> e-learning modules in partnership with the SCBD



Inter-continental Exchange



Dialogues on Key Challenges and Practical Ways Forward for the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol – India & South Africa (2014)

- National studies
- India, Brazil, South Africa



Trainings & Workshops



**Training: Mutually Agreed Terms –
Contracts to Make ABS Functional**

Basic ABS Training Course

ABS Business Dialogue



**Training: Integrating Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)
in the ABS process**

Multi-stakeholder Workshop: Supporting ABS Strategy Development

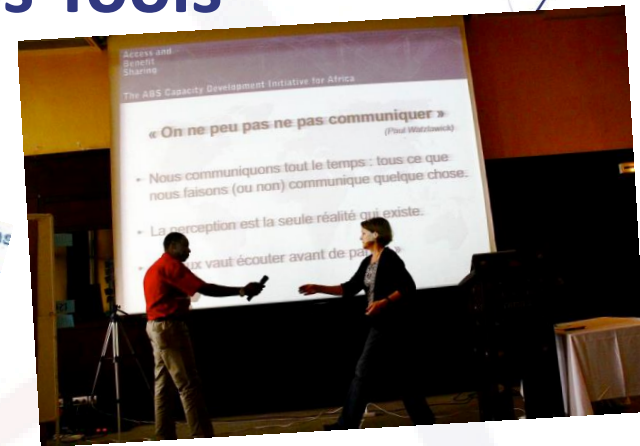
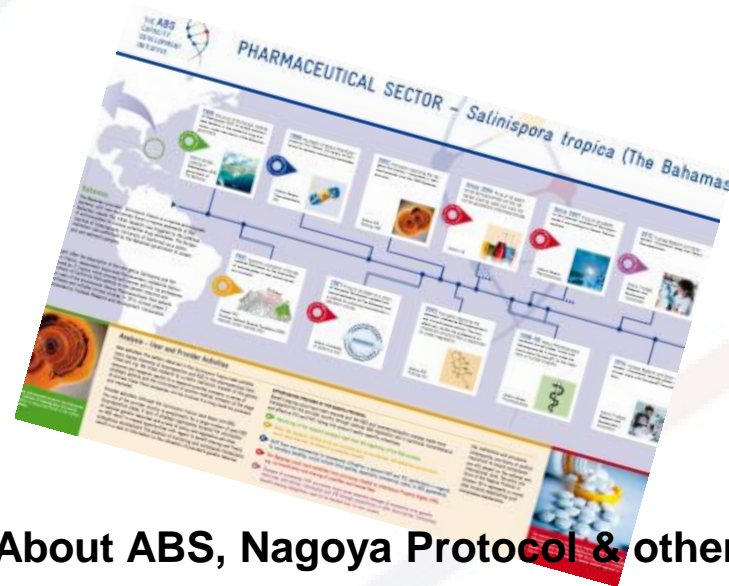
**(South-South) Exchange of experiences with
ABS implementation: Challenges and Ways Forward**

**Training: Managing Multi-stakeholder Processes
in the ABS Arena**

Training: Community Support in ABS



Capacity Building & Awareness Tools



Towards Access and Benefit-Sharing Best Practice

Pacific Case Studies

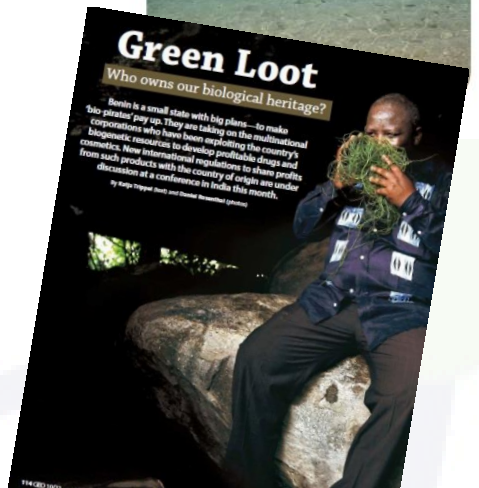
About ABS, Nagoya Protocol & other ABS regulations

Implementing ABS/Nagoya Protocol

Integrating IPLCs into ABS Processes

Analytical tools

General and specific awareness raising



Knowledge Management and Transfer

ABS News Digest

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ABS NEWS DIGEST
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ABS Capacity Development Initiative digest provides you with information on recent developments and publications related to Access and Benefit Sharing on a weekly basis.

WCO InfoPoint Lunchtime Conference: Long Term Solutions for Biodiversity and Protected Area Management in ACP - African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries host a huge share of our planet's biological diversity. This conference will highlight the efforts and achievements of the BIOPAMA (Biodiversity and Protected Area Management) programme, with the support of the ACP Group and the EU, in equipping the ACP countries with the best available scientific information systems and building their capacity to improve policies and better decision-making on protected areas, biodiversity conservation and access and benefit sharing ... [read and download \(pdf\)](#)

Call for Contributions to [square brackets]. Deadline: 29 February 2016 - The new edition of [square brackets] will be published in April 2016 to coincide with the twentieth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 20), being held in Montreal 25-30 April 2016, and the first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, being held 2-6 May 2016 in Montreal. Members of civil society and indigenous peoples and local communities all over the world are invited to send short articles ... [read](#)

CBD & Nagoya Protocol

Nagoya Protocol on ABS Reaches 70 Ratifications - Following the recent accessions by Djibouti, Lesotho, Pakistan, the Philippines and Slovakia, the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization (ABS) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) has reached 70 ratifications ... [read](#)

Theme of the International Day for Biological Diversity 2016: "Mainstreaming Biodiversity: Sustaining People and their Livelihoods" ... [read](#)

India: Challenging of ABS Rules - Ayurveda companies have been the largest single beneficiary of bio-resources in the country as they have been commercially exploiting bio-resources for manufacturing their various products for all these years. For sustainable development and availability of these bio resources of the country there has to be a national plan to replenish them with the government's Initiative. Framing and

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Who we are. Where we are. Why we do the work we do. How we do it.

ABS - SIMPLY EXPLAINED
A short explanation of Access and Benefit Sharing

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Database of documents and films on Access and Benefit Sharing and the Initiative

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The Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-house (ABSCH) for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.

ABSCH Record Overview

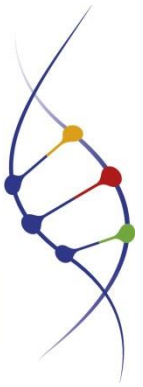
68 PARTIES TO THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL	170 COUNTRIES 180 ABS NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS	19 COUNTRIES 29 COMPETENT NATIONAL AUTHORITIES	39 COUNTRIES 141 LEGISLATIVE, ADMINISTRATIVE OR POLICY MEASURES	COUNTRIES CHECKED
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Latest Notifications

28 JAN 2016
Call for Expressions of Interest to Participate in a Capacity Building Course on Establishing Legal Frameworks to Implement...

19 JAN 2016
Outcomes of the Sixth Session of the Governing Body of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and ...

15 JAN 2016



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ABS Capacity Development Initiative**

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