Business and Biodiversity Forum at COP 14 – Speaker's List 14-15 November 2018, Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt

Opening Ceremony

- H.E. Dr. Sahar Nasr, Minister of Investment and International Cooperation, Egypt (Chair)
- H.E. Dr. Yasmine Fouad, Minister of Environment, Egypt
- Dr. Cristiana Paşca Palmer, Executive Secretary, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
- Mr. Erik Solheim, Executive Director, UN Environment

Plenary: The State of Biodiversity and Relevance to Business

- Moderator: Mr. Nigel Topping, CEO, We Mean Business
- Setting the scene: Mr. Karmenu Vella, Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission
 - Mr. George Jaksch, Chair, Biodiversity Partnership Mesomerica
 - Dr. Anne Larigauderie, Executive Secretary, Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)
 - Mr. Muhammad Al-Fouly, Executive Director/Chairman, Regional Network Council Middle East, Global Compact Network Egypt
 - Mr. Manuel Pulgar, Leader of the Climate and Energy Practice, WWF International

Panel: Stocktaking

- Moderator: Ms. Edda Fernández, Director General for the Primary Sector and Renewable Natural Resources, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Mexico
- Setting the scene: Mr. René Castro Salazar, Climate, Biodiversity, Land and Water Department Assistant-Director General, FAO
 - Ms. Kristina Diaz, Director of Human Development and Environment, Proteak (mainstreaming in previous sectors) (Forestry)
 - Mr. Mahmoud Sarhan, Senior Environmental Economist, Egyptian Ministry of Environment (Tourism)
 - Mr. Takeshi Kimura, Member of the Board and Corporate Vice President, Ajinomoto Co., Inc. (Fisheries)
 - Ms. Renata Camargo, Sustainability Coordinator, Association of Sugar Cane Producers / União da Indústria de Cana-de-Açúcar (UNICA) (Agriculture)

Panel: Mainstreaming in Energy

- Moderator: Moderator: Ms. Corli Pretorius, Deputy Director, UN Environment World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UN-WCMC)
 - Mr. Steven Dickinson, Senior Environment Adviser, Biodiversity and Water Resources, Total
 - Mr. Mohamed Hassan Afifi, Environmental, Energy & Sustainable Development Consultant, Petrobel
 - Mr. Carlos Gonzalez, Biodiversity and Water Resources Manager, Petróleo Brasileiro SA -Petrobras
 - Mr. Brian Sullivan, Executive Director, IPIECA
 - Mr. Giovanni Milani, Health, Safety, Environment & Quality (HSEQ) Executive Vice President, ENI

Panel: Mainstreaming in Manufacturing and Processing

- Moderator: Ms. Helen Crowley, Head Sustainable Sourcing Innovation, Kering
 - Mr. Yusuke Saraya, CEO, Saraya

- Dr. Suhas Buddhe, CMD, Biocare India Pvt Ltd
- Mr. Yasuaki Miyamoto, Manager of the Environment Management Group, Fuji Xerox Co., Ltd.
- Ms. Thais Hiramoto, Sustainability Specialist, Sabará Químicos e Ingredientes S/A
- Ms. Melissa Miners, Senior Global Advocacy Manager Forests, Unilever

Panel: Mainstreaming in Infrastructure

- Moderator: Mr. Nik Sekhran, Chief Conservation Officer, WWF-US
 - Mr. Reynaldo Morales, Nominated Indigenous Representative, COSHICOX Perú
 - Dr. Elmohamady Eid, Advisor for Sustainable Development, New Capital
 - Mr. Pravir Deshmukh, Counsellor, India Business & Biodiversity Initiative (IBBI)
 - Mr. Zhao Yang, Project officer, Foreign Economic Cooperation Office (FECO), Ministry of Ecology and Environment (MEE), China
 - Ms. Regiane Velozo Dias, Sustainability Environment, Votorantim Cimentos SA

Panel: Mainstreaming in Mining

- Moderator: Mr. Kiruben Naicker, Director of the Science Policy Interface Branch in the Biodiversity and Conservation, Department of Environmental Affairs, South Africa
 - Mr. Jonathan Stacey, Associate Environment, Levin Sources
 - Ms. Vera Fonseca, Researcher, Vale Institute of Technology and Sustainable Development
 - Ms. Carolyn Margaret Jewell, Biodiversity and Natural Resources Director, HeidelbergCement AG
 - Mr. José Maria Magrina, CEO, Suez Cement Co.

Recap from Parallel Sessions

Recap by moderators of the four parallel sessions

Opening Remarks for the Parallel Session: Biological and Genetic Resources – Innovations and Supply Chains in support of the SDGs and the Agenda 2030 (co-organized by SCBD, UNCTAD, ABS Capacity-Development Initiative, UEBT)

Introduction to the session

- Ms. Valerie Normand, Senior Programme Officer, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
- Ms. Lorena Jaramillo, Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD

Welcoming remarks

H.E. Mr. Paul Garnier, Ambassador of Switzerland to Egypt

Panel: Fostering sustainable sourcing and trade of biodiversity-based products to achieve the SDGs (organized by UNCTAD BioTrade Initiative and Development Bank of Latin America (CAF)

- Moderator: Mr. Manuel Ruiz, Advisor, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
 - Mr. Michel Mane, President, Mane Americas
 - Mr. René Gómez-García, Head, Green Business Unit, Development Bank of America (CAF)
 - Mr. Fabio Peres, Director of Supply Chain Operations, Boticário Group
 - Ms. Lorena Jaramillo, Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD BioTrade

Panel: Links between Sustainable Development and Access and Benefit- sharing – Some Practical Cases (organized by SCBD, ABS Initiative, UEBT)

- Moderator: Ms. Maria Julia Oliva, Deputy Director, Union for Ethical Biotrade (UEBT)
 - Ms. Zoubida Charrouf, President, Association Ibn Al Baytar, Morocco
 - Mr. Gilles Benech, President, Provital France
 - Mr. Joao Teixeira, Senior Sustainability Coordinator, Natura Cosmetics, Brazil
 - Mr. Markus Wyss, EU Specialty Food Ingredients Industry Association

Panel: BioTrade and ABS building as building blocks for SDGs

- Moderator: Mr. Suhel al Janabi, Co-Manager, Private Sector, Southern and Central Africa, Maghreb, ABS Capacity-Development Initiative
 - Ms. Daphne Yong d'Hervé, Chief Intellectual Property Officer, IP Policy and Management, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
 - Ms. Erica Pereira, Sustainability, Beraca Ingredientes Naturais S/A, Brazil
 - Ms. Nosipho Ngcaba, Director-General, Department of Environmental Affairs, Republic of South Africa

Panel: Tools for Mainstreaming

- Moderator: Ms. Elisa Romano, Executive Management of Environment and Sustainability, National Confederation of Industries of Brazil
 - Mr. Mark Gough, Executive Director, Natural Capital Coalition
 - Mr. Joël Houdet, Biodiversity Disclosure Project Technical Advisor, Endangered Wildlife Trust
 - Ms. Patricia Zurita, CEO, BirdLife International
 - Ms. Lisa Sumi, Standard Coordinator, Initiative for Responsible Mining Assurance (IRMA)
 - Mr. Antoine Cadi, Director of Research and Innovation, CDC Biodiversité

Panel: Partnership and Effective Engagement

- Moderator: Ms. Akanksha Khatri, Head, Centre Strategy and Management, World Economic Forum
 - Mr. Gerrit Jan Roseboom, Chair, IPIECA Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Working Group
 - Mr. Masaya Futamiya, Chairman, Keidanren Committee on Nature Conservation
 - Mr. Francisco Javier Cachón, Director General for Biodiversity and Environmental Quality, Ministry for the Ecological Transition, Spain
 - Mr. Jorge Laguna-Celis, Director of the Governance Affairs Office, UNEP
 - Eng. Ehab Ismail Amin Abdalla, Vice Chairman for Technical Affairs, New & Renewable Energy Authority (NREA), Egypt

Panel: The Business Case for Biodiversity in the Agro-Industrial Sector (organized by UNIDO)

- Moderator: The United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) representative
 - Mr. Kamel Elshabrawy, Director, ZADNA for Agriculture Investment Co.
 - Ms. Maria Julia Oliva, Deputy Director and Senior Coordinator for ABS and Policy, Union for Bioethical Trade
 - Mr. Martin John Lomas, Manufacturing Director, Juhayna Food Industries
 - Mr. Mendu Srinivasulu, Vice President, eFresh Agribusiness Solutions Pvt Ltd
 - Mr. Rami Elias George Naouri, Business Development Director, Al Badr For Investments FROZENA
 - Ms. Salma Khalil, B2B Business Manager, Royal Herbs

 Ms. Samia Maamer, Director General of Organic Agriculture, Tunisian Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries

Plenary: Finance and Investing

- Moderator: Mr. Andrew Deutz, Director of the International Government Relations Department, The Nature Conservancy
 - Dr. Gustavo Fonseca, Director of Programs, Global Environment Facility (GEF)
 - Ms. Eva Maria Mayerhofer, Lead Environment and Biodiversity Specialist. Environment, Climate and Social Office, European Investment Bank
 - Ms. Amal El Araby, Sustainability Development Manager, Commercial International Bank, Egypt
 - Mr. Renat Heuberger, CEO, South Pole
 - Mr. Gregory Watson, Leader, Natural Capital Lab, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Department, Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)

Panel: Innovation and Entrepreneurship (UNDP co-organizing)

- Moderator: Mr. Tim Scott, Policy Advisor, Environment, UNDP
 - Mr. Boaz Paldi, Engagement and Partnership Manager, Lions Share Fund
 - Ms. Cristiana la Marca, Head of Environment Health, Safety, Environment & Quality, Enel SpA
 - Dr. Amir Gerges, Founder & CEO, Conictus
 - Mr. Claude Fromageot, Director of Sustainable Development, Groupe Rocher
 - Ms. Helen Crowley, Head Sustainable Sourcing Innovation, Kering

Plenary: Business Engagement Post-2020 – A New Deal for Business and Nature

- Moderator: H.E. Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, Minister of Environment and Energy, Costa Rica
 - Ms. Inger Andersen, Director General, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
 - Ms. Naoko Ishii, CEO, Global Environment Facility (GEF)
 - Mr. Derk Loorbach, Director, Dutch Research Institute for Transitions (DRIFT)
 - Mr. Shonisani Munzhedzi, Deputy Director General: Biodiversity and Conservation, Department of Environmental Affairs, Republic of South Africa
 - Dr. Peter White, Vice President and COO, World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)
 - Ms. Majda Dabaghi, Director of Green Growth, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
 - Ms. Akanksha Khatri, Head, Centre Strategy and Management, World Economic Forum
 - Mr. Gilles Kleitz, Director for Biodiversity, Water and Agriculture, French Development Agency

Plenary: Business and Biodiversity Pledge

- Ms. Claire Tutenuit, General Delegate, Enterprises for the Environment
- Mr. Markus Lehmann, Senior Programme Management Officer, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

Plenary: Closing

- H.E. Dr. Sahar Nasr, Minister of Investment and International Cooperation, Egypt (Chair)
- Dr. Alexander Shestakov, Director of the Scientific and Policy Support Division, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity