Strategic Communication for ABS

New products and tools to support implementation of the Nagoya Protocol



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Where do we come from?

Some of the things that have been done so far:

- Paper "ABS Spoken here?", Oct 2008
- Discussions at various regional and pan-African workshops, 2008-2010
- Special ABS CEPA workshop in Nairobi, Mar 2009
- ABS CEPA Task Force developed recommendations, Jun 2009, for a set of CEPA projects and products

Full documentation at www.abs-initiative.info

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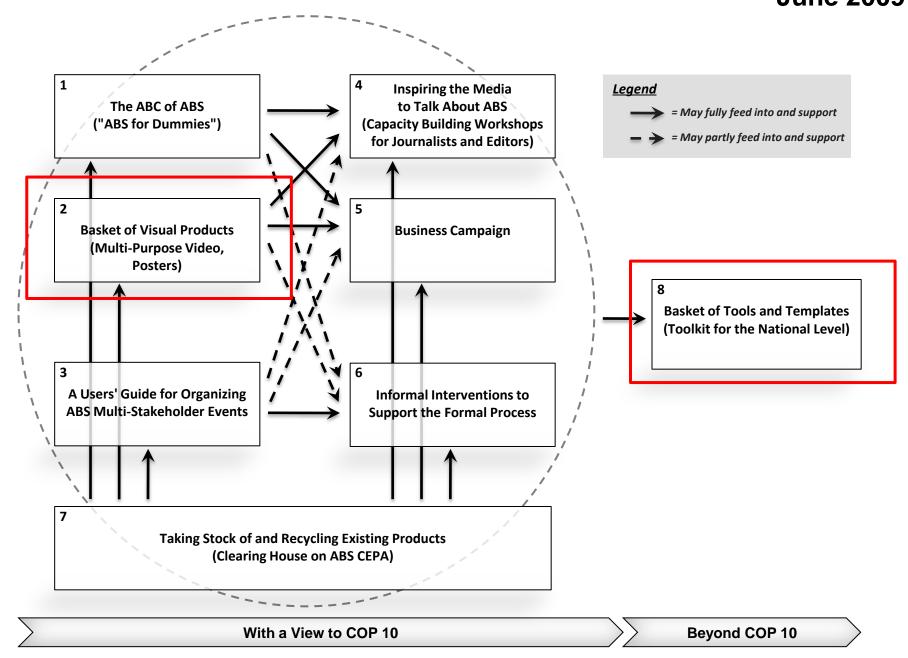


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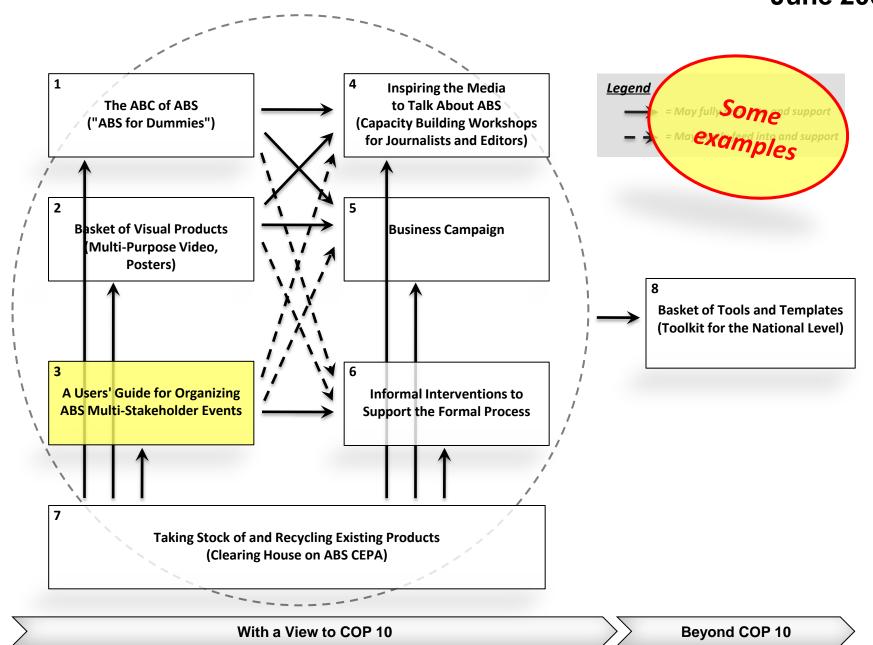
1st pan-African ABS and CEPA Workshop UNEP/Gigiri, Nairobi, Kenya

Jun 2009
ABS and CEPA Task Force
Meeting, Bonn, Germany

Projects and Products recommended by ABS CEPA Task Force, June 2009



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Basket of Tools and Templates (Toolkit for the National Level)

Where are we going?

"Strategic Communication for ABS

A Conceptual Guide and Toolkit for Implementers"







to be launched in English and French at COP 11, Oct 2012

ABS Strategic Communication Guide

Target group

People who arein charge of or involved in implementing ABS and the Nagoya Protocol, such as

- National Focal Points
- National Competent Authorities
- Individual officers in the responsible Ministries
- Anyone who has a need to communicate about ABS

Purpose

Assist people in charge of ABS implementation with **guidance and tools** for strategic communication.

Help non-experts of communicators understand the **relevance** of CEPA in ABS implementation.

Support people involved in ABS to communicate their **interests**.

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Structure

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Getting started
- 3. Eight Fields of Action for ABS implementation (1 page / field)
 - · What each field is about
 - How communication can help
- 4. Ten Steps of strategic communication (max 2 pages / step)
 - What each step is about
 - How you can take the step
- 5. Toolbox (max 2 pages / tool)
 - Tools for each of the 10 steps, with examples from the 8 fields of action

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6 Dealing withTransboun daryIssues

8 Stakeholder Involvement

2 Defining Overall ABS Policies/ Strategies

Based on the results of the 5th pan-African ABS workshop held in Marrakech, Morocco, February 2011.

5 Dealing with Traditional Knowledge

4 Establishing Institutional Arrangements

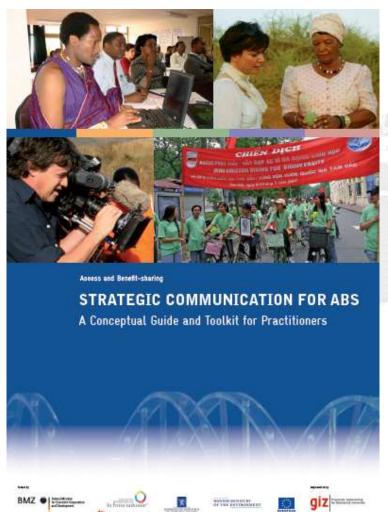
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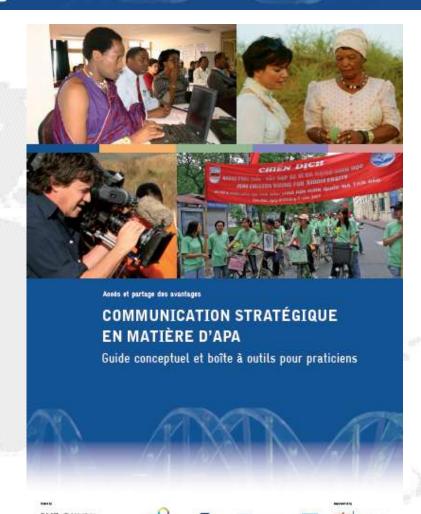
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ABS implementation requires	Policy objective in that phase	How Communication can help
Ratification/ Implementation	Decide whether / when to ratify NP	Support government to make informed decisions on ratification
Overall Policy/ Strategy	Clarify national ABS approach	Collect and consider relevant views
Legislation/ Regulations	Create legal certainty	Provide clarity about ABS for legal drafters and decision makers
Stakeholder involvement	Ensure commitment & compliance of different stakeholders	Make diff. stakeholders aware of their rights, roles & responsibilities
Institutional arrangements	Facilitate implementation with clear institutional responsibilities	Facilitate operational coordination
Traditional Knowledge	Facilitate benefit-sharing with TK holders	Empower TK holders to understand and exercise their rights and opportunities
Trans-boundary issues	Avoid conflict and create synergies	Enhance clarity about rights and obligations across borders
Valorization	Turn the potential economic value of GR and aTK into actual income and economic development	Provide the information needed on and by different sectors to make investment and MAT decisions



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Thank you very much!

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