

# Youth Perspective on the Aichi Biodiversity Targets

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### Youth Participation in the CBD

 thousands of young people all over the world are taking action for Biodiversity

 youth participation on the international level and specifically in the CBD is very weak

→ only about 30 to 40 Youth Delegates attended CBD COP10



# **Outcomes of COP10**

- convinced then CBD Executive Secretary Ahmed Djoghlaf to set up a youth focal point at the CBD
- SCBD committed to give youth a constituency status
- SCBD willing to support establishment of GYBN
- → Youth delegates at COP10 decided to establish a Global Youth Biodiversity Network
- → Formation of an interim steering committee to coordinate establishment process and to liase with the SCBD

## The GYBN kick-off meeting

- August 21st to 27th 2012 near Berlin
- 35 representatives from 26 countries
- Workshops, Panel Discussion, COP-Simulation, Action, Working Groups etc.

#### → Adopted GYBN Statute & GYBN Position Paper for COP11



#### What is GYBN?

 Open network of youth organizations and individuals working on Biodiversity

 aims to raise global awareness among young people for the value of Biodiversity

Coordination platform for youth participation in the CBD-process

### What GYBN can do?

- Raising awareness among young people
- Providing them with opportunites
- Provide a platform for collaboration between youth organizations
- Capacity building
- Empowerment
- Pressure, push governments on all levels

## How can you join us?

- visit our website gybn.org
- Subscribe to our international mailing list:
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#### **Aichi Nagoya Targets**

Strategic goal A. Address the underlying causes of biodiversity loss

# <u>Target 1: By 2020, People are aware of the values of biodiversity and the steps they can take to conserve and use it sustainably.</u>

- Target 2: By 2020, biodiversity values are integrated into national and local development and poverty reduction strategies and planning processes and national accounts ...
- Target 3: By 2020, incentives, including subsidies, harmful to biodiversity are eliminated, phased out or reformed ......
- Target 4: By 2020, Governments, business and stakeholders have plans for sustainable production and consumption and keep the impacts resource use within safe ecological limits.
- Strategic goal B. Reduce the direct pressures on biodiversity and promote sustainable use
- Target 5: By 2020, the rate of loss of all natural habitats, including forests, is at least halved and where feasible brought close to zero, and degradation and fragmentation is significantly reduced.
- Target 6: By 2020 all stocks managed and harvested sustainably, so that overfishing is avoided ......
- Target 7: By 2020 areas under agrixculture, aquaculture and forestry are managed sustainably, ensuring conservation of biodiversity.
- Target 8: By 2020, pollution, including from excess nutrients, has been brought to levels that are not detrimental to ecosystem function and biodiversity.
- Target 9: By 2020, invasive alien species and pathways are identified and prioritized, priority species are controlled or eradicated, and measures are in place to manage pathways to prevent their introduction and establishment.
- Target 10: By 2015, the multiple anthropogenic pressures on coral reefs, and other vulnerable ecosystems impacted by climate change or ocean acidification are minimized, so as to

- Strategic goal C: To improve the status of biodiversity by safeguarding ecosystems, species and genetic diversity
- Target 11: By 2020, at least 17 per cent of terrestrial and inland water, and 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas are conserved through systems of protected areas......
- Target 12: By 2020 the extinction of known threatened species has been prevented and their conservation status, particularly of those most in decline, has been improved and sustained.
- Target 13: By 2020, the genetic diversity of cultivated plants and farmed and domesticated animals and of wild relatives is maintained,
- Strategic goal D: Enhance the benefits to all from biodiversity and ecosystem services
- Target 14: By 2020, ecosystems that provide essential services, including services are restored and safeguarded,
- Target 15: By 2020, ecosystem resilience and the contribution of biodiversity to carbon stocks has been enhanced, through conservation and restoration, including restoration of at least 15 per cent of degraded ecosystems,
- Target 16: By 2015, the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefits Sharing is in force and operational
- Strategic goal E. Enhance implementation through participatory planning, knowledge management and capacity building
- <u>Target 17: By 2015 each Party has developed, adopted as a policy instrument, and has commenced implementing an effective, participatory and updated NBSAP.</u>
- Target 18: By 2020, the traditional knowledge, innovations and practices of indigenous and local communities and their customary use, are respected.
- Target 19: By 2020, knowledge, the science base and technologies relating to biodiversity, its values, functioning, status and trends, and the consequences of its loss, are improved, widely shared and transferred and applied.

Target 20: By 2020, the mobilization of financial resources for effectively

#### Aichi Targets youth can contribute to

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#### Conclusion

 Awareness raising campaings need to include youth as a specific target group

 Biodiversity Education needs to be mainstreamed in formal and informal curricula

 Parties need to involve youth in decision making processes on all relevant levels

#### Thank you very much for your attention!!!

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