

Title : Biodiversity Education in Schools

Organizer : Centre for Environment Education (CEE)

Date : Friday 9 December 2016

Time : 15.00 and 18.00 hours (3.00 and 6.00 pm)

Venue : Universal Building, Next to Moon Palace Area Convention Centre (CEPA Fair)

Partners : MoEF&CC; UNU; UNESCO; FEE

Format : Panel Discussion

15 minutes presentation followed by open house discussion

Panel

CEPA - CBD	UNU(Panelist)	UNESCO (SKYPE)	IUCN Japan	BramhaKumaris Environment Initiative (Panelist)	CEE (Panelist)
David Ainsworth, CEPA, CBD	Prof.Carolina Lopez from RCE Mexico Borderlands	Bernard Coombs, UNESCO, ESD expert at UNESCO, Paris	Teppey Dohke, IUCN, Japan	Ms. Katia Cordourier Real President, Fundacion Ecologican Bahia Principe	Kedar Champekar Centre for Environment Education, India

Brief description : Brief Description: It is a known fact that education is a powerful tool enabling people to critically think and act towards the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity. In this rapidly changing world, Schools, with a large young population, can act as major changing agents promoting biodiversity conservation in a big way. While several schools in different parts of the Globe are already engaged in this process, more needs to be done. Equipping youngsters with the required knowledge, skills, positive attitude and providing them opportunities can go a long way in bringing remarkable impacts through their incredible actions.

This event will provide platform to bring in global experiences on drawing the schools into the CEPA process ; improving the engagement of schools in biodiversity conservation; discussing the ways and means to facilitate the processes of increasing participation of schools for the effective implementation of Aichi biodiversity target 1 by 2020; exploring new methods of reaching out and sharing experiences across the Globe and strengthen the existing sharing platforms for the effective implementation processes; improving the school community interaction.

Details of this side event will be available at www.cbd.int/cepa/fair/2016