SECOND EXPERT MEETING FOR SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION ON BIODIVERSITY FOR DEVELOPMENT

Nairobi, 29 - 30 May 2010



Importance of SSC to the CBD



- •130 G-77 Parties are the stewards of the largest part of biodiversity
- •Technical, financial and institutional challenges, but also growing capacity and expertise

SSC can be more readily applicable and costeffective, particularly in triangular arrangements

Decision IX/25 South-South Cooperation

- Encourages South-South cooperation on biodiversity complimented and supported by North-South and triangular cooperation
- Invites and encourages Parties to incorporate biodiversity into regional and subregional cooperation agreements and related activities, establish multi-stakeholder collaborative partnerships, and facilitate joint projects and programmes on conservation and sustainable use of cross-border ecosystems
- Notes the initiative of developing countries to prepare a multi-year plan of action on biodiversity for development, based on the framework for South-South cooperation
- Invites Parties and other governments, regional and international organizations to support the organization of the South-South Cooperation Forum on Biodiversity for Development on 18 Oct. 2010 at COP-10



Background

Preparation of the MYPOA stems from

- Brainstorming Meeting on South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity at request of G-77 under chairmanship of South Africa (November 2006)
- First Expert Meeting for South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity for Development convened under chairmanship of Antigua and Barbuda (November 2008)
- First Meeting of the Steering Committee for South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity for Development (October 2009)







Background

The MYPA will be the first time a South-South cooperation process has specifically focused on biodiversity

- Complements the G-77 Development Platform for the South
- Complements previous declarations of the G-77 on SSC and highlights the importance of biodiversity considerations
- Complements the CBD Biodiversity for Development Initiative in support of Article 6 (b)
- Is not a replacement for North-South cooperation and investments







Background

- Strengthens SSC and triangular arrangements as a complement to, and supportive of, North-South cooperation in implementation of:
 - CBD's 3 Objectives
 - Strategic Plan 2011-2020
 - 2020 Headline Biodiversity Targets and sub-targets
- Supports mainstreaming biodiversity into Regional and Inter-Regional Cooperation Agreements and inter-regional South-South programmes
- Recognizes specific needs of LDCs and SIDS
- Requires a multi-stakeholder approach







Draft Vision and Mission

Vision

where the cooperation between Southern Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity is strengthened in order to conserve, restore, and wisely use biodiversity, sustaining a healthy planet and delivering benefits essential for all people.







Draft Vision and Mission

Mission

Reinforce and increase SSC and triangular arrangements:

- in the implementation of the three objectives of the CBD and the relevant decisions of the COP,
- in the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, and
- in achieving the Millennium Development Goals (particularly Goals 1 and 7).

The MYPA will support the implementation of the Draft Strategic Plan of the Convention on Biological Diversity for the Period 2011 - 2020, including the 2020 Headline Biodiversity Targets, the associated subtargets, and its long-term target for 2050





Objectives

- Encourage and promote the exchange scientific and technological knowledge and expertise (including best practices and lessons learned in conservation, sustainable use, and mainstreaming of biodiversity)
- Facilitate projects and programmes aimed at joint conservation and sustainable use of cross-border ecosystems in order to halt biodiversity loss
- Strengthen cooperation between partners to reinforce SSC and triangular cooperation in implementing the CBD
- Mobilize and enhance, by 2020, resources for SSC and triangular cooperation







Modalities

(flexible and additional modalities based on new priorities will be added)

Implementation at Policy Level Through:

- Engagement of regional organizations and secretariats, Economic
 Commissions, regional development banks, regional cooperation treaties
- Regional Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans which offer concrete platforms for SSC through
 - coordinating transboundary activities
 - Promoting regional exchanges of information
- Inviting Parties to include SSC in future National Reports to better inform SCBD and other Parties







Modalities

Implementation at Programming Level Through:

- Partnerships with Universities and Centres of Excellence (including new centres)
- CHM, BCH and other relevant CHMs
 - Database of case studies related to SSC on biodiversity and development
 - Coordination between relevant CHMs
 - Development of a Roster of Expertise, linking needs with available expertise
- Meeting of the Steering Committee on SSC annually on the margins of an appropriate CBD meeting.
 - Considering the agendas, key partners or experts could be invited to contribute





Modalities

Implementation at Programming Level Through:

- Regional capacity-development workshops already organized by the SCBD on specific programmes of work, cross-cutting issues, or mechanisms:
 - Protected areas
 - Forests
 - Invasive alien species
 - Climate change
 - Indigenous tourism
 - NBSAPs
 - National Reports
- Developing a communication and public awareness strategy for MYPA





Steering Committee

- Current and former 3 Chairs of the G-77
- Executive Secretary of the G-77
- Executive Secretary of the SCBD
- Developing country Parties represented in the COP Bureau
- Chair of SBSTTA









Monitoring and Evaluation

Reporting

 Steering Committee will report to key G-77 meetings, UNGA High-level Commission on SSC, and COP

Measuring Success

- Steering Committee will identify benchmarks i.e.:
 - Number of events
 - Number of projects
 - Number of partnerships and networks catalyzed and extent of thematic and regional coverage
 - Amount of funds generated and dedicated to SSC on biodiversity
 - Number of people trained in areas under modalities

Periodically review priorities and objectives in order to integrate new decisions of the COP as will as new priorities of the G-77



Funding Biodiversity for Development

- Establish a voluntary Trust fund to cover costs of G-77 coordination meetings prior to major meetings of Convention Bodies
- Innovative use of external assistance, including triangular cooperation
- Engaging and linking to new and innovative financial mechanisms i.e.
 - Climate Change, REDD, payments for ecosystem services
- Exploring opportunities presented by environmental fiscal reforms, including innovative models







Funding Biodiversity for Development

- Encouraging OECD countries to complement and match SSC investments
- Drawing on traditional forms of funding
- Earmarking national budgetary allocations
- Enhancing existing sources such as Perez-Guerrero Trust fund and Voluntary Trust Fund for SSC
- Discussing with the GEF assisting implementation of MYPA at project levels







Next Steps

MYPA negotiated by G-77 members – define process	
	28 September,
MYPA submitted to Ministers of G-77 for approval	New York
South-South Cooperation Forum on Biodiversity for Development	Nagoya, Japan 18 October 2010
Submission for consideration at COP-10 (Yemen on behalf of G-77) – 3 months in advance	Nagoya, Japan 19 – 29 October 2010



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