

Biodiversity Year Celebration in Ethiopia (Fourth Event)

The Institute of Biodiversity Conservation and the United Nations Environment Programme organized a half day event to commemorate Earth Day and Biodiversity year on June 2, 2010, at the Economic Commission for Africa, UNECA premises, under theme: “Many Species, One Planet and One Future”. Staff members of the African Union Commission, UNEP, diplomatic communities in Addis Ababa, government and non-government organizations attended the event.

Youth Association presented an impressive and highly awareness creating music on the value of biodiversity to socio-economic and environmental wellbeing.



Partial view of the youth members that prepared and played the music on the value of biodiversity to human being.

The video message sent by the CBD Secretariat was shown in which the Executive Secretary of the UN, Executive Director of UNEP, the Executive Secretary of the CBD and other prominent personalities passed their messages.

The A/Director General of the Institute of Biodiversity Conservation gave a power point presentation on the Biodiversity Status of Ethiopia during that event.



Dr. Kassahun Embaye, A/Director General of the Institute of Biodiversity Conservation delivering his presentation on the Biodiversity Status of Ethiopia.

Highly valued officials like Mr. Mounkaila Goumandakoye, Director, UNEP Regional Office for Africa, Mr. Jousie Dione, Director of Food Security and Sustainable Development Department of UNECA, H.E. Rhoda Peace Tumusime, Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture of the African Union and H.E. Mr. Kinichi Komano, Ambassador of Japan to Ethiopia made speeches during that event.

The celebration was concluded by tree planting.



The proceeding of the event was broadcasted by television, radio and newspapers.



Partial view of the dignitaries that attended the celebration