



BISE- CHM expert meeting: Sharing national information in support of the assessment of progress to 2020 biodiversity targets

Call for expression of interest

Meeting date: 4, December 2014

Meeting times: 9:30 end 17:00

At EEA, Copenhagen, Denmark

Dear NRC Biodiversity, data and information systems,

The European Environment Agency (EEA) is organising an expert meeting within the operations of the Biodiversity Information System of Europe – BISE, aiming to define future steps for improving the sharing and re-use of national information in support of the assessment of the 2020 biodiversity targets, building on the work done in 2013 by the BISE/ CHM Working Group.

Experts will be invited to discuss experiences of the 5th national reports to CBD, contribution of these reports in support of the upcoming EU Mid Term Review and the available on- line tools for biodiversity related reporting. A preliminary Agenda is attached.

Participation will be limited to a maximum of 20 experts from EEA and collaborating countries. With this letter we are seeking expression of interest from 2 networks: the newly established NRC Biodiversity, data and information systems and the CHM focal points.

Nominated experts should have experience in one or more of the areas of: information on implementation of national biodiversity strategies / national CHM management/ reporting to CBD/ Common Implementation Framework of the EU biodiversity strategy. The selection will be done by EEA on the basis of the expertise offered and a balanced geographical representation. Travel, accommodation and subsistence expenses of participants will be organised and covered by the EEA.

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Nominations should be sent by e-mail to Johanne.Jelnes@eea.europa.eu by 12 November 2014, to allow timely organisation. Please make sure that the name, e-mail and experience of nominees is shown in the e-mail.

A formal invitation will be sent as soon as the pool of experts is defined. Please aware that this is not an invitation yet. Do not make any travel arrangement at this stage.

With my best regards



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(Head of group Biodiversity)

Preliminary Agenda

Session 1: Making links between the reported information to CBD and information available to support national and EU assessments of targets

- Presentations by CBD Sec., DGENV, experts, and discussion

Session 2: National information sources and on-line reporting tools for different conventions

- Presentations by experts, discussion

Session 3: Effective sharing of national information: a perspective up to 2020

- Presentations by EEA/ ETC-BD, DGENV, and discussion

Session 4: Steps for implementation and coordination between networks

- Discussion and conclusions

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