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ESD and Biological Diversity: How ESD can contribute to CBD?

BACKGROUND AND AGENDA:

CEPA Fair offers a platform for highlighting prominent work and celebration in support of the International Year of Biodiversity. Based on this, this side-event aims at giving a deep insight into innovative approaches through education to address the interlinking issues of biodiversity, ecosystems and livelihoods, interactions of nature with culture, society and economy, and the actions we can take without affecting our quality of life. This is also a crucial part of advancing Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) towards the end of UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (DESD, 2005-2014).

“ESD and Biological Diversity: How ESD Can Contribute to COBD?” highlights some representative activities of **Inter-Agency Committee (IAC)¹ for UN DESD, Biosphere Reserves², and Regional Centres of Expertise (RCE)³ on ESD.**

¹ The Inter-Agency Committee (IAC) for the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (DESD: 2005-2014) was established by UNESCO as a forum of UN agencies for open-ended collaboration towards the effective implementation of the Decade. It brings together 17 UN agencies all committed to achieving the DESD goals: UNESCO, FAO, ILO, UNAIDS, UNCCD, UNDP, UNFCCC, UNFPA, UN-Habitat, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNU, WFP, WHO, World Bank and WTO.

² Biosphere Reserves (BRs) are sites recognized under the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme which innovate and demonstrate approaches to conservation and sustainable development. As agreed at the III World Congress of Biosphere Reserves held in Madrid, Spain, in February 2008, UNESCO will further promote and utilize Biosphere Reserves as "learning sites" for the UN DESD.

³ In response to the UN DESD, UNU-IAS proposed the establishment of Regional Centres of Expertise on Education for Sustainable Development (RCEs). An RCE is a network of formal, informal and non-formal education and learning-related organisations with joint strategies to promote ESD in the region within which they operate. By October 2010, 77 regional multi-stakeholder networks have been officially acknowledged by UNU as RCEs around the world. RCEs, both locally and globally, provide a platform for collaboration among diverse stakeholders for ESD.

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Programme

* Refreshments will be served outside the venue before the programme.

- 13:15 - 13:20 **Opening Remarks**
Prof. Govindan Parayil, Vice-Rector of UNU / Director of UNU-IAS
- 13:20 - 13:30 **From Global Perspective I: Learning for Biodiversity Activities of the Inter-Agency Committee (IAC)¹ for UN DESD**
Mr. Bernard Combes, UN DESD Secretariat, UNESCO
- 13:30 - 13:45 **From Global Perspective II: Protecting biodiversity, culture and people - Biosphere Reserves² as learning sites for sustainable development**
Mr. Bernard Combes, UN DESD Secretariat, UNESCO
- 13:45 - 13:55 **From National Perspective: Strategies and actions of Thai Government in supporting education for biodiversity**
Dr. Monthip Sriratana Tabucanon, RCE Cha-am, Thailand/ Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of Thailand/ Board Member of the Sirindhorn International Environmental Park Foundation
- 13:55 - 14:05 **Regional Centres of Expertise (RCE)³ as Global Learning Space for ESD**
Dr. Yoko Mochizuki, ESD Specialist, UNU-IAS
- 14:05 - 14:15 **From Local Perspective I: Community-private sector collaboration - learning for biodiversity and conservation**
Dr. Sonjai Havanond, RCE Cha-am, Thailand/ Deputy Director of Energy for Environment Center/ The Sirindhorn International Environmental Park Foundation
- 14:15 - 14:55 **From Local Perspective II: Panel Discussion**
Regional Centres of Expertise (RCE)³ on Education for Sustainable Development and their work on biodiversity and ecosystem services
Facilitator: Mr. Bernard Combes, UNESCO
Prof. Kinhide Mushakoji, RCE Chubu/ Osaka University of Economic and Law, Japan
Mr. Reita Furusawa, RCE Chubu/ Chubu University, Japan
Dr. Satoshi Shimano, RCE Greater Sendai/ Miyagi University of Education, Japan
Mr. Giacomo Clausi, RCE Curitiba- Paraná, Brazil
Dr. Sonjai Havanond, RCE Cha-am/ The Sirindhorn International Environmental Park Foundation
- 14:55 - 15:00 **Closing Remarks**
Mr. Kazuhiko Takemoto, Senior Fellow, ESD Programme, UNU-IAS

Chair: Mr. Kazuhiko Takemoto



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