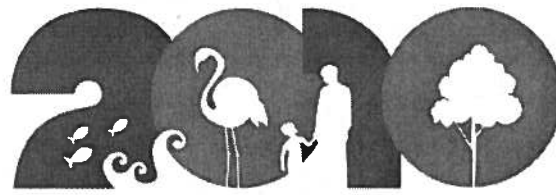




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NOTIFICATION

Training and Information Events on Innovative Financing for WGRI-3 Participants Nairobi, 24-27 May 2010

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to announce that a series of Training and Information Events on Innovative Financing for participants of the Third meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention (WGRI-3) will be jointly organized by Business and Biodiversity Offsets Program (BBOP), GDM 2010 Initiative, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Global Mechanism of the UNCCD, Government of the Netherlands, Government of Germany, and Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

The Events on Innovative Financing aim to inform governmental officials of the recent developments on innovative financial mechanisms, disseminate knowledge and information on innovative financing, enhance capabilities of governmental officials to consider, and negotiate toward, developing innovative financial mechanisms under the Convention on Biological Diversity, as well as promote the forming of constituencies for innovative financing.

The Events will take place at the site of WGRI-3, and include the following sessions:

- Monday, 24 May 2010 (13.15 p.m. – 14.45 p.m.): Biodiversity Offsets
- Tuesday, 25 May 2010 (13.15 p.m. – 14.45 p.m.): A Green Development Mechanism and International Innovative Financing
- Wednesday, 26 May 2010 (13.15 p.m. – 14.45 p.m.): Payment for Ecosystem Services and Climate Change Funding
- Thursday, 27 May 2010 (13.15 p.m. – 14.45 p.m.): Economic Assessments

Given the limitation of space, WGRI-3 participants, who are interested in attending these events, are kindly invited to make a reservation by informing: financialservices@cbd.int before **7 May 2010**.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Ahmed Djoghlaif
Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points
Resource Mobilization Focal Points and Relevant Organizations

cc: WGRI-3 Pre-registered participants



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