



Rio Conventions' ECOSYSTEMS PAVILION

Linking biodiversity, climate change and sustainable land management

CBD COP 10, Nagoya, Japan, 18-29 October, 2010

and

UNFCCC COP 16/CMP 6, Cancun, Mexico, 29 November -10 December, 2010

The **Rio Conventions' Ecosystems and Climate Change Pavilion** is a collaborative outreach activity involving the Rio Convention secretariats, with the Global Environment Facility and other important partners. The CBD Secretariat's Lifeweb is also playing a key role.

A platform for raising awareness and sharing information about the latest practices and scientific findings on the co-benefits that can be realized through implementation of the three Rio Conventions, the Pavilion is an example of enhanced collaboration between the Rio Conventions, as mandated by the UN General Assembly in its resolution 64/203 of 14 December 2009.

Launched in the International Year of Biodiversity, the Pavilion will demonstrate, through thematic presentations, workshops and the worldwide web, the challenges and opportunities for biodiversity and land managers resulting from the unavoidable and projected adverse impacts of climate change.

At the Pavilion, Parties and organizations will highlight activities that link biodiversity conservation and sustainable use, sustainable land management and efforts to combat desertification, and climate change mitigation and adaptation. The multiple benefits derived through these activities and their contribution towards sustainable development and the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) will also be presented.

The Pavilion, a reflection of the importance being placed by the Rio Conventions' secretariats and numerous international organizations on promoting synergies to maximize co-benefits and minimize negative interactions between these three critical environmental, social and economic issues, will be convened in 2010 at the **CBD COP 10 (18-29 October 2010) in Nagoya, Japan** and the **UNFCCC COP 16 in Cancun, Mexico (29 November – 10 December 2010)**.

In 2011, the Pavilion will be convened at the **UNCCD COP 10 in Changwon, Republic of Korea (10-21 October, 2011)** and the **UNFCCC COP 17 in South Africa (December, 2011)**.

The Pavilion partners hope to extend the momentum of these collaborative outreach initiatives to the **UN Conference on Sustainable Development in Brazil in 2012 (Rio +20)**.



Looking Ahead: Enhancing Synergies

In 1992 the Earth Summit established three Rio conventions to address the interrelated challenges of climate change, biodiversity loss and combating desertification/land degradation – in 2012 at the Earth Summit Rio +20 we will take stock.

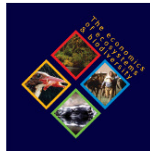
The implementation of ecosystem-based approaches for adaptation and mitigation and the integration of biodiversity and sustainable land management considerations into relevant climate change adaptation and mitigation plans and strategies will require enhanced cooperation and increased synergies between the different biodiversity, land management and climate change actors, especially the three Rio Conventions, while taking into account their different mandates and Parties.

Many best practice examples of mechanisms to promote synergies at the national and local level are available, including the establishment of national committees consisting of focal points to the three Rio Conventions, the development of common pools of experts and communities of practice, the integrated management of funding to address biodiversity and climate change, and the integration of climate change and biodiversity elements within national biodiversity strategy and action plans and national adaptation plans and programmes.

The Pavilion, through its partnership-based approach, captures and promotes actions needed to move ahead towards the achievement of the MDGs and the mutually supporting and reinforcing objectives of the Rio Conventions in a manner that is coordinated, cost effective and efficient.

For further information, visit <http://www.cbd.int/rio/ecosystemspavilion>

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WEEK ONE: 18-23 October, 2010 (indicative)		
	Thematic Day	Evening Sessions – Reducing emissions from degradation and forest degradation in developing countries (REDD) With UNEP and other UN REDD members
18 October, Monday	<i>The linkages between biodiversity, sustainable land management and climate change</i> With the European Commission and other partners	Session 1: Inter-linkages of biodiversity, carbon and economics
19 October, Tuesday	<i>Key role of protected areas in climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies</i> With IUCN WCPA and other partners	Session 2: Traditional knowledge in conserving biodiversity and carbon
20 October, Wednesday	<i>Indigenous peoples and communities – benefits and livelihoods</i> With UNDP, Conservation International and other partners	Session 3: Environmental safeguards and REDD
21 October, Thursday	<i>Forest biodiversity: mitigation and adaptation – the linked benefits provided by forests</i> With members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests and other partners	Session 4: Measuring and monitoring of biodiversity and ecosystem services within REDD
22 October, Friday	<i>Water, Ecosystems and Climate Change</i> With members of UN Water and other partners	Session 5: Empowerment of the biodiversity constituency in REDD processes
23 October, Saturday	<i>UNCCD Land Day 3</i>	
WEEK TWO: 25-29 October, 2010 (indicative)		
	Thematic Day	Evening Sessions – Commitments and international cooperation for financing synergies, in partnership with CBD's LifeWeb
25 October, Monday	<i>Economics of ecosystem services and biodiversity, climate change and land management</i> With TEEB and other partners	Session 1: Mesoamerican financing synergies through protected area solutions, featuring Costa Rica Forever and other national initiatives
26 October, Tuesday	<i>Ecosystem-based approaches for adaptation</i> With IUCN, ICLEI and other partners	Session 2: Caribbean and Micronesian financing synergies through protected-area solutions
27 October, Wednesday	<i>Promoting synergies for sustainable development and poverty reduction</i> With UNDP and other partners	Session 3: South American financing synergies through protected area solutions, featuring the Pan-Amazonian Vision
28 October, Thursday	<i>Ecosystems and Climate Change Pavilion Summit: Moving Towards Rio+20</i>	Session 4: West African Coastal and Marine financing synergies through protected area solutions