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### **COMMUNICATION**

#### **NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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Subject:	Working Party on International Environment Issues (Biosafety)
Date:	14 June 2018
Time:	10.00
Venue:	COUNCIL JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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1. Updated roadmap on Biosafety  
= *Information from the Presidency*
2. Notifications under Cartagena Protocol  
- Updated table
3. Recent and upcoming intersessional meetings
  - a) Fifteenth Meeting of the Compliance Committee under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (Montreal, Canada, 8-10 May 2018)  
= *Information from the Committee member*
  - b) Informal Expert meeting on Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources (Brussels, 12 June 2018)  
= *Information from the Presidency*

4. Preparation for the 22nd meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 22) of the Convention on Biological Diversity (Montreal, Canada, 2-7 July 2018)
  - a) Draft Orientation lines - Item 4 Risk assessment and risk management of living modified organisms  
= *Discussion and possible finalisation*
  - b) Draft Orientation lines to be developed by WPIEI Biodiversity
    - i) Item 3 Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources
    - ii) Item 5 Synthetic Biology
 = *Discussion*
  - c) Logistics  
= *Information from the incoming Presidency*
  
5. Preparation for the second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI-2) of the Convention on Biological Diversity (Montreal, Canada, 9-13 July 2018)
  - a) Draft Position papers
    - i) Item 10: Capacity-building, technical and scientific cooperation and technology transfer (with respect to Biosafety-related issues)
    - ii) Item 13: National reporting, and assessment and review under the Convention and its Protocols
      - a) Process for aligning national reporting under the Convention and its Protocols post-2020
      - b) Format for the fourth national reports and fourth assessment and review of the Cartagena Protocol
    - iii) Item 15: Review of the effectiveness of processes under the Convention and its Protocols (with respect to holding concurrent meetings)
    - iv) Item 16: Preparation for the follow up to the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 (with respect to the Strategic Plan of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety 2011-2020)
 = *Discussion and possible finalisation*
  - b) Position papers to be developed by WPIEI Biodiversity – Item 14 Enhanced integration under the Convention and its Protocols (with respect to biosafety-related provisions)  
= *Discussion*
  - c) Logistics  
= *Information from the incoming Presidency*

6. Preparation of the Ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety COP-MOP 9 (Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt, 17-29 November 2018)
- a) Process of preparation  
= *Information from the incoming Presidency*
  - b) Distribution of tasks
  - c) Council Conclusions for COP-MOP 9  
= *Discussion*  
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7. Any other business

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