

Bridging the Gap on BioTrade: Enhancing Synergies between Development Assistance and National Priorities

20 September 2010, 9:00-13:00

Venue: Sonesta Hotel, Pancho Fierro 194, San Isidro, Lima

Peru is endowed with abundant biodiversity resources. The national government and international community are increasingly taking actions to support Peru in realizing the trade and sustainable development opportunities offered by its rich biodiversity base. A National Commission on Biodiversity and several departments within various public institutions have been created and internationally assisted projects are growing to build capacity for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.

With this recent increase in the number of institutions and activities related to biodiversity, further dialogue and planning is required in order to (i) closely align national priorities and donor assistance, and (ii) ensure coordination and complementarity between different initiatives undertaken by the international community.

This workshop will bring donors and public policymakers together to highlight the synergies, challenges and opportunities for working together on biotrade in Peru. It will provide a platform to discuss the current level of coordination between different stakeholders and answer questions relevant to this coordination, such as: What do policymakers see as the key priorities for biotrade? Where is development assistance focused? How can the international community better support national priorities for biotrade and biodiversity-based business in Peru? Donors and public policymakers will exchange ideas, match mutual interests, and share experiences related to biotrade, the objective being to spur new ideas for partnership, projects and policy in Peru.

AGENDA

- 9:00 – 9:25 **Welcome Remarks**
UNEP-UNCTAD Capacity Building Task Force on Trade, Environment and Development (CBTF)
The Ministry of Foreign Trade and Tourism (MINCETUR)
- Panel 1: National Priorities**
- 9:25 – 9:35 **Peru's National Biodiversity Strategy: Policies and Priorities**
Miriam Cerdán, Director General of Biological Diversity, Ministry of Environment (MINAM)
- 9:35 – 9:45 **Priorities for Biotrade: PromPerú's Policies and Institutional Framework**
Juan Carlos Mathews, PromPerú
- 9:45 – 9:55 **The Peruvian Position on Multilateral Negotiations related to Biotrade**
Elmer Schialer, Deputy Permanent Representative of Peru in Geneva
- 9:55 – 10:05 **The Role of Research in BioTrade**
Augusto Mellado, National Council for Science, Technology and Technological Innovation (CONCYTEC)
- 10:05 – 10:20 Discussion
- Panel 2: Development Assistance for BioTrade: Focus and Synergies**
- 10:20 – 10:30 **The Capacity Building for BioTrade (CBBT) Project**
Asad Naqvi, UNEP-UNCTAD CBTF

- 10:30 – 10:40 **Swiss Development Cooperation and PeruBiodiverso**
Christian Robin, Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO)
- 10:40 – 10:50 **Global Environment Facility (GEF) – Andean Development Corporation (CAF) Project**
Representative of the GEF-CAF Project
- 10:50 – 11:00 **Assessing Market and Supply of Biodiversity-based Products**
Roberto Duarte, German Technical Co-operation Projects (GTZ) in Peru
- 11:00 – 11:15 Discussion
- 11:15 – 11:40 Coffee break

Panel 3: Opportunities for Partnership and Cooperation

- 11:40 – 11:50 **International Experiences in Donor Coordination**
*International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD)**
- 11:50 – 12:00 **Donor Cooperation in Nepal: the National Trade Integration Strategy**
Chandra Kumar Ghimire, Ministry of Commerce and Supplies of Nepal
- 12:00 – 12:10 **Current Status of Coordination on BioTrade**
Daniel Espinosa, National Commission on BioTrade
- 12:10 – 13:00 Discussion and Concluding Remarks

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

*Invited.