



Ministry of Environment and Tourism

**Commercial Research, Biodiversity and Benefit-Sharing:
Exploring Best Practices for Biotrade and ABS –
18th to 20th June 2007, Windhoek, Namibia**

Workshop Programme

Monday, 18th

8.00 am	Registration
9.00 am	Welcome and opening <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Hon. Leon Jooste, Deputy Minister of Environment and Tourism▪ H.E. Arne Freiherr von Kittlitz, German Ambassador▪ Jonathan Landrey, New Business Manager, PhytoTrade Africa▪ Dr. Andreas Drews, Coordinator Dutch-German ABS Capacity Development Initiative for Africa, GTZ
9.45 am	Introduction to the workshop objectives and programme overview
10.00 am	Presentation of the participants
10:30 am	Coffee Break
11.00 am	Establishing the current situation and setting the stage (presentations and table discussions) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The CBD Framework for ABS and the Bonn Guidelines <i>Sem Shikongo, Ministry of Environment and Tourism (MET), Namibia</i>▪ The Certificate of Origin/Source/Legal Provenance <i>Andreas Drews, Coordinator Dutch-German ABS Capacity Development Initiative for Africa, GTZ, Germany</i>▪ An IARC's view on ABS: The example of ICIPE <i>Peter Munyi, International Centre for Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE), Kenya</i>
12.30 am	Lunch Break
2.00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ BTFP principles relating to ABS <i>Maria Julia Oliva, UNCTAD Biotrade Facilitation Program (BTFP), Geneva</i>▪ Impact of ABS regulations on R&D strategies of research institutions <i>Ulrich Feiter, Parceval (Pty.) Ltd., South Africa</i>▪ The cosmetics, food and beverages industry perspective <i>Cyril Lombard, PhytoTrade Africa, UK</i>
3.30 pm	Coffee Break
4.00 pm	Establishing the current situation and setting the stage: Reporting back and open discussion
5.00 pm	Closure of the day



Tuesday, 19th

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| 8.30 am | Catch of the Day |
| 8.45 am | <p>Demystifying ABS requirements
(presentations and table discussions)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The South African legislation/regulations
<i>Maureen Wolfson, South African Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)</i> ▪ Practical experiences: MRC project on traditional medicine
<i>Rabogajane Busang, Medical Research Council, South Africa</i> |
| 10.00 am | Coffee Break |
| 10.30 am | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Ethiopian ABS legislation
<i>Feaven Workeye, Institute for Biodiversity Conservation (IBC)</i> ▪ Practical experiences: the Vernonia case
<i>Paul McClory, Vernique Biotech Ltd.</i> |
| 12.00 am | Lunch |
| 1.30 pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Namibian legislation – challenges and constraints
<i>Sem Shikongo, Ministry of Environment and Tourism (MET), Namibia</i> ▪ Namibia's pipeline approach for indigenous natural products commercialisation
<i>Pierre du Plessis (CRIAA – SADC)</i> |
| 3.00 pm | Coffee Break |
| 3:30 pm | <p>Demystifying ABS requirements: Excursion to a Namibian case</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Guided tour through the facilities of the Katutura Artisans Project |
| 5.00 pm | Social Event and Dinner in Katutura |

Wednesday, 20th

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| 8.30 am | Catch of the Day |
| 8.45 am | <p>Demystifying ABS requirements (cont.):
Reporting back and open discussion</p> |
| 10.00 am | Coffee Break |
| 10.30 am | <p>Shedding light into grey areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ |
| 12.00 am | Lunch Break |
| 1.30 pm | <p>Engaging in ABS: Interaction of commercial research and finished products manufacturers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ |
| 3.00 pm | Coffee Break |



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| 3.30 pm | Summarizing recommendations and wrapping-up |
| 4.150 pm | Workshop evaluation |
| 4.45 pm | Farewell |