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## SECOND ABS DIALOGUE ON KEY CHALLENGES AND PRACTICAL WAYS FORWARD FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL

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## 4-8 August 2014, Goa, India

The ABS Capacity Development Initiative is supporting a series of activities to facilitate the exchange of experiences with Access and Benefit-Sharing (ABS) implementation and to support the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.

A Second ABS dialogue on Key Challenges and Practical Ways Forward for the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol is being co-organised by the Government of India and the ABS Capacity Development Initiative and co-financed by the "Indian-German Biodiversity Programme", on 4 to 6 August 2014, in Goa, India.

A first dialogue on the same topic was organized by the ABS Initiative and hosted by the Government of South Africa on 30-31 January 2014, in Cape Town, South Africa.

## **OBJECTIVES**

The objective of this second dialogue will be to provide an opportunity for further exchange amongst government representatives and relevant stakeholders on the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.

While the focus of the first dialogue was to learn from past experience with ABS implementation with a view to exchange information regarding preparedness in implementation of the Nagoya Protocol, the second dialogue will focus on the key challenges and the instruments/approaches that are being considered by countries for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol, taking into account the lessons learned and the new obligations under the Nagoya Protocol.

It will also provide an opportunity for participants to further share their thoughts on the challenges related to the implementation of the Protocol and possible options to support a coherent approach for its implementation.

Against this background, participants will be invited to present their views and the approaches being adopted by their respective governments towards meeting the obligations of the Nagoya Protocol. The dialogue will also be an opportunity for participants to discuss common challenges and options in the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.

## **PARTICIPANTS**

A maximum of 80 participants, including government representatives and relevant stakeholders involved in ABS implementation are invited to participate in the dialogue.

The dialogue will be held in the English language.



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