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MESSAGE TO PARTIES

Nomination to the UNFCCC roster of experts

Parties will recall that the Conference of Parties (COP), in decision 20/CP.19, paragraph 2, invited Parties to nominate technical experts with the relevant qualifications to the UNFCCC roster of experts who, upon successful completion of the training programme referred to in paragraph 4 of the same decision, shall be eligible to serve in the team of technical experts. The team of technical experts, by annex IV to decision 2/CP.17 and decision 20/CP.17, shall conduct the technical analysis under the international consultation and analysis process of biennial update reports submitted to Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (non-Annex I Parties).

Further, the UNFCCC roster of experts contains a list of experts, who are nominated by the respective Governments of the Parties under the UNFCCC to contribute to a number of processes mandated by the COP and subsidiary bodies under the Convention. These processes among others include the reviews of annual submissions of greenhouse gas (GHG) inventories and supplementary information under the Kyoto Protocol, and reviews of national communications and biennial reports of Parties included in Annex I of the Convention (Annex I Parties).

In addition, the secretariat will be organizing technical assessment sessions, once a year, for proposed forest reference emission levels and/or forest reference levels for the implementation of the activities referred to in decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70 (REDD-plus), submitted on a voluntary basis by developing country Parties. The assessment team will be composed of land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF) experts selected from the UNFCCC roster of experts.

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To be able to implement such activities it is very important for the UNFCCC secretariat to have updated information on the UNFCCC roster of experts; therefore, Parties are invited to:

- Nominate new experts to the UNFCCC roster of experts, including those for technical analysis of biennial update reports from non-Annex I Parties and/or reviews of GHG inventories and supplementary information under the Kyoto Protocol, biennial reports and national communications from Annex I Parties, and for the technical assessment of submissions from Parties on proposed forest reference emission levels and/or forest reference levels;
- Regularly check, and, where necessary, update the information on experts already nominated to the UNFCCC roster of experts;
- Remove from the UNFCCC roster of experts those experts that are no longer available for participating in these activities organized by the secretariat.

Such updates can be performed by national focal points and/or roster custodians designated by their respective national focal points.

For more information on the roster see the following link:

http://unfccc.int/parties_and_observers/roster_of_experts/items/534.php

Experts who have been nominated to the roster of experts are eligible to participate in the training courses under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol. Currently, there are training courses offered for experts who are available and supported by national focal points for participating in the annual reviews of GHG inventories and supplementary information under the Kyoto Protocol. Very soon, a training course for the technical analysis of biennial update reports from non-Annex I Parties will become available. Furthermore, a training course for the review of biennial reports and national communications submitted by Annex I Parties will become available in the future. For more information about the UNFCCC training programmes on review of reports from Annex I Parties, please see the following link:

http://unfccc.int/national_reports/annex_i_ghg_inventories/inventory_review_training/items/2763.php

For any further questions, please contact the secretariat at <Roster@unfccc.int>.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

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