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NOTIFICATION

This notification is addressed to Parties to the Convention and to Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, as well as to observer States. It is being sent to national focal points for climate change, and for those Parties that have not yet identified national focal points it is being sent to their diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany. In all cases, the communication is copied to the diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany and to permanent missions to the United Nations in Geneva.

I wish to notify Parties and observer States to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and its Kyoto Protocol of the forthcoming sessions under the Convention and its Protocol:

- First session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG), established by decision 1/CMP.1, 17 to 25 May 2006
- Twenty-fourth session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), 18 to 26 May 2006
- Twenty-fourth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), 18 to 26 May 2006.

These sessions will be preceded by the first workshop under the Dialogue on long-term cooperative action to address climate change by enhancing implementation of the Convention, pursuant to decision 1/CP.11, to be held on 15 and 16 May 2006.

The Dialogue and the sessions will take place at the Hotel Maritim, Godesberger Allee, 53175 Bonn, Germany.

It would be appreciated if the names, titles and addresses (including telephone, fax and e-mail) of the head of delegation and representatives, who will attend the sessions could be communicated to me **not later than Tuesday, 18 April 2006** at the following address:

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The Chair of the Group of 77 and China has indicated that the group will meet on Sunday, 14 May 2006 at 10 a.m. at the Hotel Maritim. As in the past, the secretariat will make arrangements to support this meeting. However, it is not in a position to provide simultaneous interpretation for the meetings of the group.

Three annexes are attached to this notification. Annex I contains the provisional agendas of the SBSTA, the SBI and the AWG. Annex II contains information on the first workshop of the Dialogue and on the three in-session workshops that will be organized by the secretariat. Annex III offers information for participants and important guidelines for the issuance of visas. Additional information on the sessions will soon be posted on the UNFCCC website <www.unfccc.int>.

Yours sincerely,

**Original Signed
Richard J. Kinley
a signé l'original**

Richard Kinley
Officer-in-Charge



Annex I

Provisional agenda of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice at its twenty-fourth session

Symbols of documents for each agenda item are indicated.
Please consult <http://maindb.unfccc.int/library> for updated information, including the full list of the relevant documents

1. Opening of the session
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/1
 - (b) Organization of the work of the session
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/1
3. Five-year programme of work on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/4, FCCC/SBSTA/2006/INF.3
4. Development and transfer of technologies
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/3, FCCC/SBSTA/2006/INF.1, FCCC/SBSTA/2006/INF.4, FCCC/TP/2006/1, FCCC/TP/2006/2
5. Research and systematic observation
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/INF.2, FCCC/SBSTA/2006/MISC.3
6. Reducing emissions from deforestation in developing countries
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/MISC.5
7. Methodological issues under the Convention:
 - (a) Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change guidelines for national greenhouse gas inventories
 - (b) Harvested wood products
 - (c) Emissions from fuel used for international aviation and maritime transport
 - (d) Scientific and methodological aspects of the proposal by Brazil
 - (e) Experience with reporting and review, and with training of experts
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/2
8. Methodological issues under the Kyoto Protocol:
 - (a) Implications of the establishment of new hydrochlorofluorocarbon-22 (HCFC-22) facilities seeking to obtain certified emission reductions for the destruction of hydrofluorocarbon-23 (HFC-23)
 - (b) The numerical value for forest management under Article 3, paragraph 4, of the Kyoto Protocol inscribed for Italy
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/MISC.1
9. Scientific, technical and socio-economic aspects of mitigation of climate change
10. Facilitating the exchange of information and the sharing of experiences on policies and measures of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention
11. Matters relating to Article 2, paragraph 3, of the Kyoto Protocol



12. Cooperation with relevant international organizations:
 - (a) International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States¹
 - (b) Special report on safeguarding the ozone layer and the global climate system: issues relating to hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/MISC.2
 - (c) Cooperation with other conventions, scientific organizations and United Nations bodies
FCCC/SBSTA/2006/MISC.4
13. Other matters
14. Report on the session.

¹ At the twenty-third session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) there was no consensus to include this issue on the agenda. It was therefore held in abeyance. On a proposal by the Chair, the SBSTA decided to include this issue on the provisional agenda of its twenty-fourth session.



Provisional agenda of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its twenty-fourth session

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list of the relevant documents

1. Opening of the session
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda
FCCC/SBI/2006/1 and Corr.1
 - (b) Organization of the work of the session
FCCC/SBI/2006/1 and Corr. 1
 - (c) Election of officers other than the Chair
3. National communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention: synthesis of reports demonstrating progress in accordance with Article 3, paragraph 2, of the Kyoto Protocol
FCCC/SBI/2006/INF.2
4. National communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention:
 - (a) Work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention
FCCC/SBI/2006/4, FCCC/SBI/2006/8
 - (b) Compilation and synthesis of initial national communications
FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.2, FCCC/SBI/2005/18 and Add.1-6 and Add.3/Corr.1
 - (c) Provision of financial and technical support
FCCC/SBI/2006/INF.1
5. Financial mechanism (Convention):
 - (a) Third review of the financial mechanism
FCCC/SBI/2006/7, FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.3, FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.9, FCCC/SBI/2005/INF.7, FCCC/SBI/2004/18
 - (b) Special Climate Change Fund
6. Financial mechanism (Kyoto Protocol):
 - (a) Adaptation Fund
FCCC/SBI/2006/10, FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.5, FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.7
 - (b) Application of the memorandum of understanding between the Conference of the Parties and the Council of the Global Environment Facility
7. Implementation of Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention:
 - (a) Progress on the implementation of decision 1/CP.10
 - (b) Matters relating to the least developed countries
FCCC/SBI/2006/9
8. Capacity-building under the Convention
FCCC/SBI/2006/5, FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.4
9. Capacity-building under the Kyoto Protocol
FCCC/SBI/2006/5, FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.4



10. Amendment of the Kyoto Protocol in respect of procedures and mechanisms relating to compliance
11. International transaction log
FCCC/SBI/2006/INF.3
12. Arrangements for intergovernmental meetings:
 - (a) Twelfth session of the Conference of the Parties
FCCC/SBI/2006/2
 - (b) Second session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol
FCCC/SBI/2006/2
 - (c) Future sessional periods
FCCC/SBI/2006/2
 - (d) Review of arrangements for the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties and the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol
FCCC/SBI/2006/2
 - (e) Organization of the intergovernmental process
FCCC/SBI/2006/3, FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.8
13. Administrative, financial and institutional matters:
 - (a) Budget performance for the biennium 2006–2007
FCCC/SBI/2006/INF.4
 - (b) Implementation of the Headquarters Agreement
 - (c) Privileges and immunities for individuals serving on constituted bodies established under the Kyoto Protocol
FCCC/SBI/2006/6, FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.6
14. Other matters:
 - (a) Level of emissions for the base year of Croatia
FCCC/SBI/2006/MISC.1
 - (b) Any other matters
15. Report on the session.



**Provisional agenda of the
Ad Hoc Working Group on further commitments for
Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol
at its first session**

1. Opening of the session
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Election of the Chair
FCCC/KP/AWG/2006/1
 - (b) Adoption of the agenda
FCCC/KP/AWG/2006/1
 - (c) Organization of the work of the session
FCCC/AWG/2006/1
 - (d) Election of officers other than the Chair
3. Planning of future work
FCCC/KP/AWG/2006/MISC.1
4. Other matters
5. Report on the session.



Annex II

Schedule of the Dialogue and in-session workshops

Parties are hereby informed of the following dialogue and in session workshops and other meetings which will take place at the Hotel Maritim:

1. Dialogue on long-term cooperative action to address climate change by enhancing implementation of the Convention, 15 and 16 May 2006

The Conference of the Parties (COP), by its decision 1/CP.11, resolved to engage in a dialogue, without prejudice to any future negotiations, commitments, process, framework or mandate under the Convention, to exchange experiences and analyse strategic approaches for long-term cooperative action to address climate change that includes, inter alia, the following areas:

- Advancing development goals in a sustainable way
- Addressing action on adaptation
- Realizing the full potential of technology
- Realizing the full potential of market-based opportunities.

Attendance by governments and observer organizations will be open-ended. Nominations to attend the twenty-fourth sessions of the subsidiary bodies will allow participants to attend the dialogue as well.

Further information on the dialogue, including initial views of Parties, will be made available on the UNFCCC website <www.unfccc.int>.

2. In-session workshops:

In-session workshop on carbon dioxide capture and storage, Saturday, 20 May 2006

At SBSTA 23, Parties requested the secretariat to organize, under the guidance of the Chair of the SBSTA, an in-session workshop on carbon dioxide capture and storage during this session of the SBSTA with the aim of increasing understanding of carbon dioxide capture and storage through an overview of the special report on carbon dioxide capture and storage and through an exchange of experiences and lessons learned. The workshop will cover relevant provisions of the forthcoming 2006 IPCC guidelines for national greenhouse gas inventories, demonstration and pilot projects and capacity-building for the development and use of this technology.

In-session workshop on carbon dioxide capture and storage as CDM project activities, Monday, 22 May 2006

The conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (COP/MOP), by its decision 7/CMP.1, requested the secretariat to organize, in conjunction with the twenty-fourth session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (May 2006), a workshop on considering carbon dioxide capture and storage as clean development mechanism project activities, taking into account issues relating to project boundary, leakage and permanence. The COP/MOP also invited Parties to provide to the secretariat, by 13 February 2006, submissions on the consideration of carbon dioxide capture and storage as clean development mechanism project activities, taking into account issues relating to project boundary, leakage and permanence, and on issues to be considered at the workshop.

The secretariat has received eleven submissions from Parties. These submissions have been made available on the UNFCCC website:

<https://cms.unfccc.int/cms/files/meetings/workshops/other_meetings/application/pdf/ccs_party_submission.pdf>.



**In-session workshop on mitigation: agriculture, forestry and rural development
Tuesday, 23 May 2006**

The SBSTA, at its twenty-third session, requested the secretariat to organize workshops at each of its next four sessions in order to continue work on the scientific, technical and socio-economic aspects of mitigation, and to focus on exchanging information and sharing experiences and views among Parties on practical opportunities and solutions to facilitate the implementation of the Convention as mandated by decision 10/CP.9. The first workshop will focus on issues relating to agriculture, forestry and rural development. Further information, including presentations from Parties, will be made available on the UNFCCC website <www.unfccc.int>.



Annex III

Information for participants

Essential Documents	<p>Please consult the UNFCCC website of the secretariat (http://maindb.unfccc.int/library) for all available documents:</p> <p>Provisional agendas: <FCCC/SBSTA/2006/1 <FCCC/SBI/2006/1 and Corr. 1 <FCCC/KP/AWG/2006/1</p> <p>Reports: <FCCC/SBSTA/2005/10 <FCCC/SBI/2005/23 <FCCC/CP/2005/5 <FCCC/KP/CMP/2005/8</p>
Funding	<p><i>A separate communication will be sent to eligible Parties.</i></p>
Registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All participants are requested to register upon arrival at the desk located in the Hotel Maritim.• A valid photo ID should be presented to the registration staff.• As of Saturday, 13 May 2006 the “no registration, no access” rule shall be strictly applied and will be enforced throughout the period of the sessions.• Early registration on Saturday, 13 May, is highly recommended to avoid delays.• Nominations for SB 24 will allow participants to attend the Dialogue on long-term cooperative action to address climate change by enhancing implementation of the Convention. <p>Registration times:</p> <p>Saturday, 13 May from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, 14 May from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. From Monday, 15 May until Friday, 26 May from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m.</p> <p>Double registration for the session is not permitted (i.e., State representative and observer organization representative, or state representative and press/media representative).</p>
Side events	<p>The on-line registration system for applications for side events and exhibits will be open from 27 March to 7 April 2006 on the UNFCCC website. Applications require authorization by the national focal point or designated contact point of the admitted organization.</p>
Badges	<p>Badges are essential in order for participants to gain access to the premises. They are issued only on the basis of a letter of nomination from Parties, observer States or observer organizations. For security reasons, all participants are requested to wear their badges at all times.</p>



Visas	<p>All foreign delegates entering the Federal Republic of Germany must have a valid passport. Early contact with the consular authorities of Germany is strongly advised to allow sufficient time for a visa to be issued, as appropriate, before departure for Germany. To facilitate the issuance of a visa, a copy of this notification should be attached to the visa request. For more information, please visit the website of the Federal Foreign Office: http://www.auswaertigesamt.de/www/en/willkommen/einreisebestimmungen/index_html (also available in French and Spanish).</p>
Hotels	<p>Representatives who require assistance in making a hotel reservation in Bonn may contact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tourismus & Congress GmbH Adenauerallee 131 D-53113 Bonn Telephone: +(49 228) 910 4170 Telefax: +(49 228) 910 4177 <p style="text-align: center;">Special Offer</p> <p>Participants who make their hotel reservations through the Tourismus & Congress GmbH, will receive a pdf-file (conference ticket) together with the booking confirmation that will enable them to travel free of charge on the following routes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bus line 670 Airport Köln/Bonn - Bonn Hauptbahnhof (main train station)• Tram line 66 from ICE-Bahnhof Siegburg to Bonn and Bad Honnef• All buses and trams within the city zone of Bonn.
Disclaimer	<p>It is strongly recommended to obtain international medical insurance for the period of participation. The United Nations and the Convention secretariat disclaim all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other costs or losses that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation.</p>