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# **Regional Workshop on the implementation of Article 6 of the Convention in SIDS**

## **Education, training and public awareness**

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# REGIONAL WORKSHOP IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN



- Bavaro, Dominican Republic, from 27 to 30 April 2010
- Organized by UNFCCC with Dominican Republic government and funded by the Government of Spain



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## PARTICIPANTS



- Participants from 21 countries across Latin America and the Caribbean
- Representatives from Spain, the United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF), national and regional experts from NGOs, youth organizations and trade unions



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## AGENDA



- The workshop, took place over three and a half days
- was structured around 18 presentations
- four small working group sessions



## **WORKING GROUP SESSIONS**

- Reporting on the implementation of Article 6 through national communications.
- Facilitating access to information by using networking and information exchange tools such as CC:iNet.
- A review session of the Climate Change Environmental Education Resource Pack (CCEERP) for Friendly Schools facilitated by UNICEF.
- Inputs to the intermediate review of the amended New Delhi work programme.



## REGIONAL PRIORITIES

- **Education:** most curricula on environmental issues target primary and secondary education, with less emphasis on higher education.

The main barriers include:

The inability to add new subjects to the educational curriculum, lack of educational materials and inadequate financial and human resources.



## REGIONAL PRIORITIES

- **Access to Information:** More than 60% of the countries in the region of Latin America and the Caribbean have established CC web pages - with Brazil having the largest web database.
- **National Communications:** The countries are developing different actions on Article 6 however not all countries are reporting this actions on their National Communications.



## REGIONAL PRIORITIES

- **Public awareness:** 40% to 50% of the citizens were aware of issues related to climate change.
- Most awareness-raising activities are carried out by governments, NGOs and the press.
- The Parties key target audiences include the general public and policymakers, the press, NGOs, academia, children and youth.





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## **PRINCIPAL BARRIER**

Lack of financial and human resources was listed as a major barrier to the implementation of the amended New Delhi work programme



## **RECOMENDATIONS**

- Clear guidelines on the implementation of Article 6 and the amended New Delhi work programme
- Clear guidelines for reporting activities related to Article 6 within the context of the national communications drafting
- The creation of training programmes and the provision of technical assistance for focal points in activities related to Article 6



## **ISSUES FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION**

- The extension of the New Delhi work programme beyond 2012.
- A stronger CC:iNet, including multilingual support, interactive features, training to article 6 focal points, and links to other social networks
- Highlighting the importance of North–South, South–South and triangular cooperation



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## **ISSUES FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION**

Requesting the international  
community to establish financial  
mechanisms to support  
programmes and projects related to  
the implementation of Article 6



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# GOOD PRACTICES COMPILATION

**Experiencias de Educación, formación y sensibilización del público para la adaptación al Cambio Climático y la Reducción del Riesgo de Desastres en América Latina y el Caribe**



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**CATEGORÍAS**

- Educación
- Conciencia Pública
- Participación Pública
- Capacitación
- Cooperación Internacional
- Acceso Público a la Información

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- Education
- Training
- Public awareness
- Public access to information
- Public participation
- International Cooperation



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## **Side Event in Cancun**

**Education, training and public awareness on climate change**

**"Presentation of good practices"**



- Tuesday,  
30 Nov 2010
- 15:00—16:30  
Room 2

# CLIMATE CHANGE IS ABOUT PEOPLE

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Should be a  
priority to create  
capacity and work  
on Article 6 to  
address Climate  
Change

Picture: Dominican Republic's position Climate Change



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**Thank you!!**

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