



Countdown 2010 Partners Assembly

Agenda

22 May 2008

Venue: Gustav-Stresemann-Institute e.V., Langer Grabenweg 68
D-53175 Bonn - Bad Godesberg, Germany

09:00 – 09:20 Welcome Remarks: Expectations for 2010!

- *Ahmed Djoghlaif*, Executive Director Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity & Countdown 2010 Advisory Board Member

09:20 – 09:45 Opening the Countdown 2010 Dialogue: Where do we stand and where are we heading?

- *Sebastian Winkler*, Head of Countdown 2010

09:45 – 10:15 Keynote Speech: Reversing Biodiversity Loss: from Costs to Benefits

- *Pavan Sukhdev*, Managing Director and Head of Deutsche Bank's Global Markets business in India

10:15 – 10:30 Q&A and discussion

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 12:20 Best practices – what we are doing to meet the Countdown 2010 target?

- Short presentations by partners and discussion

12:20 – 13:00 Introduction to Thematic Working Groups

- Business and Biodiversity** – *Joshua Bishop*, Senior Adviser on Economics and the Environment, IUCN – The International Union for Conservation of Nature
- 2010 Readiness Assessment - Measuring progress towards the 2010 target**- *Anne Teller*, DG Environment, European Commission & *Asghar M. Fazel*, Senior Advisor, United Nations Environment Programme, World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC).
- Local and Regional Authorities** – *Monika Zimmermann*, Director, ICLEI's International Training Centre
- Countdown 2010 in the European and international policy setting – towards 2010 and beyond?** – *Ladislav Miko*, Protecting the Natural Environment, DG Environment, European Commission & *Sue Collins*, European Habitat Forum & Countdown 2010 Advisory Board Member

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch break

Joining key biodiversity players and CBD CoP9 participants for the **Biodiversity Picnic** which is taking place simultaneously in other Pan – European countries

14:30 – 16:45 Thematic Working Groups

14:30 – 15:30 Session 1

- A. **Business and Biodiversity** – *Francis Vorhies*, Director, Earthmind
- B. **2010 Readiness Assessment - Measuring progress towards the 2010 target**- *Anne Teller*, DG Environment, European Commission & *Asghar M. Fazel*, Senior Advisor, United Nations Environment Programme, World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC)

15:30 – 15.45 Coffee break

15.45 – 16.45 Session 2

- C. **Local and Regional Authorities** – *Monika Zimmermann*, Director, ICLEI's International Training Centre
- D. **Countdown 2010 in the European and international policy setting – towards 2010 and beyond?** – *Ladislav Miko*, Protecting the Natural Environment, DG Environment, European Commission & *Sue Collins*, European Habitat Forum & Countdown 2010 Advisory Board Member

16:45 – 17:15 Report from Thematic Working Groups and discussion

- A. Business and Biodiversity
- B. 2010 Readiness Assessment
- C. Local and Regional Authorities
- D. Countdown in the European policy setting – towards 2010 and beyond?

17:15 – 17:30 Closing of the Countdown 2010 Partners Assembly

– 2010 Activity Award Ceremony (with surprise guest) & *Sebastian Winkler*, Countdown 2010

18.00 – Evening Reception at Chinese Pavilion