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NOTIFICATION

Call for Applications: 2020 Global Youth Biodiversity Summit in Miyazaki

Dear Madam/Sir,

The purpose of this notification is to inform you of the 2020 Global Youth Biodiversity Summit in Miyazaki that will be held from 20 to 26 April 2020 in Miyazaki City, Miyazaki Prefecture, Japan, and to invite you to encourage youth from your country/organization to apply to participate.

The 2020 Global Youth Biodiversity Summit in Miyazaki will gather youth from around the world to celebrate 10 years of youth engagement in the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the United Nations Decade on Biodiversity and to further empower and mobilize youth to contribute to the development and implementation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. The Summit will prepare a policy document on the post-2020 framework and strengthen the capacity of youth to develop biodiversity projects and initiatives in support of its implementation. It will also provide youth with a unique opportunity to link up with initiatives related to biodiversity at all levels.

The 2020 Global Youth Biodiversity Summit in Miyazaki is organized by the Global Youth Biodiversity Network, hosted by the Ministry of the Environment of Japan, and supported by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and the Japan Biodiversity Fund, in collaboration with other organizations and networks. As part of the series of meetings providing inputs to the process for the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, the Summit will share its outcomes with Parties and stakeholders in the context of the upcoming CBD intergovernmental meetings and other relevant processes on the road to the UN Biodiversity Conference in October 2020 in Kunming, China.

Youth from all countries are invited to submit their applications for the 2020 Global Youth Biodiversity Summit in Miyazaki as soon as possible and no later than 5 February 2020 by consulting the call for nominations and related instructions on the website of the Global Youth Biodiversity Network at the following address: <https://www.gybn.org/summit>. Youth from developing countries and, subject to availability of resources, other youth may be eligible to receive support from the organizers.

I hope you will bring this to the attention of youth from your country/organization and encourage them to apply for this unique opportunity to actively engage in building a world where we live in harmony with nature.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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To: CBD National Focal Points, ABS Focal Points, Cartagena Protocol Focal Points and relevant organizations

