



Information on Biodiversity

UN Entities

- Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD): <http://www.cbd.int/>

UN Conferences & Observances

- 2010 – International Year of Biological Diversity: <http://www.cbd.int/2010/welcome/>; <http://www.unep.org/iyb/>
- 22 May - International Day for Biological Diversity: <http://www.un.org/en/events/biodiversityday/>; <http://www.cbd.int/idb/>
- High-level meeting of the General Assembly as a contribution to the International Year of Biodiversity (22 September 2010): <http://www.un.org/ga/65/meetings/biodiversity.shtml>
- COP 10 - Tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, Nagoya, Aichi Prefecture, Japan, 18 to 29 October 2010: <http://www.cbd.int/cop10/>

UN Treaties

- Convention on Biological Diversity: <http://www.cbd.int/convention/convention.shtml>
- Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety: <http://bch.cbd.int/protocol/>
- The Nagoya – Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety: http://bch.cbd.int/protocol/NKL_text.shtml

Selected Statements and Speeches of UN Officials

- 'We are wasting our natural capital', Secretary-General Says, calling for 'new vision' from Japan Summit to forge strategy to halt biodiversity loss by 2020 (SG/SM/13205-ENV/DEV/1165, 27 October 2010): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2010/sgsm13205.doc.htm>
- Ecosystem Services Our Natural Capital; Allowing Their Decline Is 'Like Throwing Money Out the Window', Secretary-General Tells High-level Biodiversity Event (SG/SM/13127-GA/10994-ENV/DEV/1160, 22 September 2010): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2010/sgsm13127.doc.htm>
- Deputy Secretary-General Tells Panel on Gender and Biodiversity of Need to Invest in Preserving 'Natural Capital' (DSG/SM/516-ENV/DEV/1148-WOM/1806, 2 July 2010): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2010/dsgsm516.doc.htm>
- With Biodiversity 'in Peril', Secretary-General Appeals: 'Help Us Sound the Alarm', Get Involved, Show Leadership, Help Clean Up, in World Day Message (SG/SM/12921-ENV/DEV/1144-OBV/884, 28 May 2010): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2010/sgsm12921.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General says world must recognize 'Biodiversity is life — our life', act to preserve it before it is too late, in International Day message (SG/SM/12889-ENV/DEV/1136-OBV/879, 14 May 2010): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2010/sgsm12889.doc.htm>
- With biodiversity loss accelerating, 'We are bankrupting our natural economy', says Secretary-General in remarks at event to launch International Year (SG/SM/12739-ENV/DEV/1108-OBV/851, 12 February 2010): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2010/sgsm12739.doc.htm>

- Secretary-General, in Message Marking International Year of Biodiversity, Calls for New Vision to Ensure Natural-Resource Sustainability, Long-Term Viability (SG/SM/12695-ENV/DEV/1105-OBV/848, 11 January 2010): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2010/sgsm12695.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General's video message for biodiversity year urges all countries, citizens on planet to join global alliance to protect life on earth (SG/SM/12598-ENV/DEV/1088-OBV/827, 9 November 2009): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2009/sgsm12598.doc.htm>

Further information

- United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Division for Sustainable Development - Biodiversity/Biological Diversity: http://www.un.org/esa/dsd/susdevtopics/sdt_biodiversity.shtml
- Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction: <http://www.un.org/Depts/los/biodiversityworkinggroup/biodiversityworkinggroup.htm>
- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) - Agricultural biodiversity in FAO: <http://www.fao.org/biodiversity/biodiversity-home/en/>
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) - Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity: <http://www.undp.org/biodiversity/index.html>
- United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) – Biodiversity: <http://www.unep.org/Themes/Biodiversity/index.asp>
 - UNEP - Ask an Expert: <http://www.unep.org/experts/>
- United Nations Environment Programme - World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC): <http://www.unep-wcmc.org/>
here: Climate Change & Biodiversity, Global Biodiversity Atlases, Biodiversity Indicators, Biodiversity Assessments
- World Bank - Biodiversity: <http://go.worldbank.org/80D0HM2WN0>
- Global Environment Facility - Biodiversity: <http://www.thegef.org/gef/BIO-strategy>

Selected Publications available online

- CBD Publications and Newsletters: <http://www.cbd.int/information/library.shtml>
- Global Biodiversity Outlooks (CBD): <http://www.cbd.int/gbo3/>
- CBD Handbook (3rd Edition, 2005): <http://www.cbd.int/convention/refrhandbook.shtml>
- The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity (TEEB) for Business Report (UNEP, 2010): <http://www.teebweb.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=ubcryE0OUbw%3d&tabid=924&language=en-US>
- Dead planet, living planet: Biodiversity and ecosystem restoration for sustainable development (UNEP, 2010): <http://www.grida.no/publications/rr/dead-planet/>
- Our Planet, September 2010: "NATURAL CAPITAL: The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity": http://www.unep.org/pdf/OP_sept2010/EN/OP-2010-09-EN-FULLVERSION.pdf
- Our Planet, May 2010: " Biodiversity – our life": http://www.unep.org/pdf/OP_May/EN/OP-2010-05-EN-FULLVERSION.pdf
- TUNZA - The UNEP Magazine for Youth. Vol. 8, No. 1, 2010: "Avatar, Reaching the heart": http://www.unep.org/pdf/Tunza_8.1_Eng.pdf
- TUNZA - The UNEP Magazine for Youth. Vol. 3, No. 3, 2006: "Biodiversity": <http://www.ourplanet.com/tunza/issue0303en/pages/contents.html>