# Addressing poverty reduction within the CBD



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# What kind of contribution can biodiversity make to poverty reduction?

 Contributions to environmental sustainability

o Direct use

# In which specific ways can direct contributions happen?

Participation and empowerment

Creating benefits

Avoiding/removing negative impacts

Equity

## How is CBD addressing poverty?

- Articles of the Convention
- Principles and Guidelines
- Programmes of Work
- Other decisions
- Strategic Plan

#### Articles of the CBD

Article 8 (j) – Traditional Knowledge

Article 10 – Sustainable Use

o Article 15 - ABS

## Principles and guidelines

The Ecosystem Approach

Akwe: Kon Guidelines

Addis Ababa Principles

Bonn Guidelines

## Programmes of work

Thematic

- Island Biodiversity
- Cross-cutting
  - Article 8(j)
  - Protected Areas (Element 2)

## Examples of other COP decisions

- Participation and empowerment
  - III/15,IV/9,V/16,V/24,VI/10,VII/16,VI/22,VII/ 11,VII/28,VIII/22,VIII/24,
- Creating benefits
  - V/24,VI/22,VI/24,VII/14,VII/19,VII/28,VIII/22,VIII/23
- Avoiding/removing negative impacts
  - VII/4,VII/14,VII/16,VI/28
- Equity
  - III/14,IV/9,VI/10,VI/24,VII/12,VII/16,VII/22,VII/27,VII/28,VIII/1,VIII/2,VIII/5,VIII/9,

## Strategic Plan

- 2010 Target
  - '..to achieve by 2010 a significant reduction of the current rate of biodiversity loss ..as a contribution to poverty alleviation..'
- Mainstreaming

#### Implementation-third national reports

- Article 8 (j)
  - Only 27% of Parties reported that they are implementing this Article.
  - Akwe: Kon Guidelines- more than 77% of Parties have not incorporated them into their programmes and do not use the Guidelines

#### Implementation-3rd national reports (2)

#### Sustainable Use

 Although 86% of Parties reported considering sustainable use in developing national strategies, 50% were yet to start implementing the Addis Ababa Principles and only 36% have integrated the Guidelines for Biodiversity & Tourism Devt into relevant sectoral plans

### Implementation- 3rd national reports (3)

- Access & Benefit Sharing
  - 76% had policies to facilitate access but only 37% had policies on fair and equitable sharing. Only 37% used the Bonn Guidelines.

### Implementation- 3rd national reports (4)

- Participation
  - Only 14% of Parties had significantly promoted public participation in support of the CBD and only 20-25% reported participation of ILCs in national decision making processes.
- Element 2 of POWPA is lagging behind.
- No progress on mainstreaming

## Way Forward

 Update/ revision of strategic plan and 2010 target

- Remember the 'forgotten half' of the 2010 target.....
  - 'as a contribution to poverty alleviation'

#### Conclusion

 In situations where conservation activities affect people at the local level, those activities should strive to contribute to poverty reduction and, at the very minimum, should do no harm.



### **Thank You**

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