

A PROPOSED INTEGRATED ONLINE PERMITTING AND MONITORING SYSTEM FOR BIODIVERSITY ACCESS AND BENEFIT SHARING



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ABS Initiative: IT System for ABS Permitting and Monitoring



- A single window IT-based system that makes it easy for users to apply for ABS permits and for multiple government authorities to
 - receive, review and decide upon applications,
 - monitor compliance with permit and contract obligations
 - report on the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol
- A modular system that can be implemented in the context of existing permit systems or as a self-standing system
- A cost effective system for monitoring publications, patents and products arising from research and development involving genetic resources and/or associated traditional knowledge accessed in Kenya

Where do we stand today ?



- 2015:** Establishing ABS cooperation with NEMA and KWS
- 2016:** Developing the concept for the IT System
Developing a workplan for implementation in Kenya
Development of ToR with NEMA and KWS
- 2017:** Recruiting Amband Nairobi consultant
1st CEO Meeting to present concept (May 2017)
2nd CEO Meeting to present Business Requirement Report (Dec 2017)
- 2018:** 3rd CEO Meeting to present Prototype
Implementation in institutions
Hand-over to MENR
- 2019:** Staff training and official launch

Benefits for Kenya



- Supporting the implementation of Art. 69.(1)(a) of the **Constitution of Kenya, 2010**:
*The State shall ensure sustainable exploitation, utilisation, management and conservation of the environment and natural resources, and **ensure the equitable sharing of the accruing benefits***
- Supporting Kenya in using **IT-based tools** for **good governance** systems managing complex institutional systems
- Supporting Kenya in **receiving monetary and non-monetary benefits** as agreed upon in ABS contracts negotiated under the **ABS Regulations, 2006**
- Supporting the implementation of several obligations under the **Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing, 2010**

Benefits for Kenya



- Attracting public researchers and private companies for bioprospecting in Kenya by offering an **enabling administrative environment**
- Increasing chances for **collaborative research**
- Establishing an overview about scientific literature and patents dealing with biodiversity and traditional knowledge from Kenya and creating a **repository of valuable information and knowledge** for future research and development activities in Kenya

Planning next ABS activities



30-31 May 2018: Planning workshop with Kenyan stakeholders

Focus Area I: ABS systems at county level

Focus Area II: Science and Business Forum

Focus Area III: Participation of indigenous peoples and local communities in ABS issues

- Establishment of Workplan 2018 – 2020
- Concluding Cooperation Contract with MENR
- Concluding Cooperation Agreements with institutions e.g. NEMA

Thank you very much for your attention!



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