



Ready Reference Common Acronyms

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Acronym	Explanation
AIA	Advance Informed Agreement procedure
BCH	Biosafety Clearing-House
BCH-IAC	Biosafety Clearing-House Informal Advisory Committee
BCH-CP	Central Portal of the Biosafety Clearing-House
BIRC	Biosafety Information Resource Centre
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CHM	Clearing-House Mechanism
CNA	Competent National Authority
COP-MOP	Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol
CPB	Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (the "Biosafety Protocol")
CV	Controlled vocabulary
GMO	Genetically modified organism
LMO	Living modified organism (
LMO-FFP	Living modified organism intended for direct use as food or feed, or for processing
nBCH	National node of the Biosafety Clearing-House
NAU	National Authorized User
NBF	National Biosafety Framework
NFP	National Focal Point
RDF	Resource Description Framework
ROE	Roster of Experts
RSS	Really Simple Syndication
SCBD	Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
UID	Unique Identification
UNEP-GEF	United Nations Environment Program Division of the Global Environment Facility
XML	Extensible Markup Language