

Access and Benefit-Sharing Clearing-House (ABSCH)

CAPACITY-BUILDING INITIATIVE (CBI)

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Title

A Bottom Up Approach on Access and Benefit Sharing: Community Level Capacity Development for Successful Engagement in ABS Value Chains in Cameroon (*Echinops giganteus*)

Project number or identifier

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Geographic Scope

National/Federal

Geographical or political/economic group(s) and/or country(ies)

Cameroon

Type of capacity-building initiative

a. Is this a dedicated ABS capacity-building project/programme?

Yes

b. Is this an ABS activity or component which is part of a broader capacity-building project or programme?

No

c. Is this a stand-alone ABS activity that is not part of a broader capacity-building project or programme?

No

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Project document or document describing the initiative

[Cameroon_06-11-14_MSP_PIF_Document_FINAL.pdf](#)

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[5387 Cameroon MSP ABS CEO March 30.docx](#)

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[Cameroon ID5796 MSP Approval Letter .pdf](#)

[5387 MSP Cameroon ABS_Prodoc October 18.docx-3.docx](#)

[ABS Final Evaluation Report Cameroon bottom up approach.pdf](#)

Detailed information

Short description of the initiative, including its goals and objectives

Selected indigenous and local communities in Cameroon participate successfully in ABS compliant value chains based on genetic resources (GRs) and associated traditional knowledge (aTK) Components: 1. Facilitating the engagement of ILCs in ABS value chains and strengthening their capacity on ABS 2. Integrating lessons learned into national law making and/or implementation processes with the aim of harmonizing customary practices with national ABS regulation, including through the development of an appropriate system to document and protect traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources where such is desired

Category(ies) of capacity-building activities

Provision of capacity development tools, resources and knowledge products
Institutional capacity development
Provision of legal/technical support

Information on funding

Type(s) of funding source

Government budget

Total budget (amount, in US dollars)

USD\$2,000,000.00

Capacity-building outcomes

Results

Increased ILCs capacity to engage with and benefit from ABS agreements in at least one ABS-value chain for *Echinops giganteus* Customary laws and good practices of ILC engagement in target ABS-compliant value chains for *Echinops giganteus* are disseminated and inform law making and implementation processes as part of a harmonisation process between customary laws and good practices with the national ABS policy.

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Key areas and strategic measures for capacity-building and development

Key area 1: Capacity to implement and to comply with the obligation of the Protocol
Key area 4: Capacity needs and priorities of indigenous and local communities and relevant stakeholders, including the business sector and the research community
1.2 Raising awareness of the importance of GR and TK, and related ABS issues
4.1 Participating in legal, policy and decision-making processes
4.2 Developing minimum requirements, as appropriate for MAT to secure the fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from the utilization of TK
4.3 Developing community protocols in relation to access to TK and the fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from the utilization of that knowledge
4.4 Developing model contractual clauses for benefit-sharing arising from the utilization of TK
4.5 Enhancing the capacity of ILCs, in particular women within those communities, in relation to access to genetic resources and/or TK
4.6 Negotiating favourable MAT
4.7 Increasing understanding of the obligations of Parties

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Further Information

Questions about the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing or the operation of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House may be directed to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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