

Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH)

COMPETENT NATIONAL AUTHORITY (CNA)

BCH-CNA-ZA-254-4

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General information

Country

[South Africa](#)

PARTY TO THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY

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Name of the Competent National Authority

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Administrative functions

All functions pursuant to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

Types of organism(s) under its responsibility

All types of organisms

Short description of the regulatory functions

The National Department of Agriculture as a National Competent Authority is responsible for the administration of the Genetically Modified Organisms Act, 1997 (No. 15 of 1997).

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Further Information

Questions about the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety or the operation of the Biosafety Clearing-House may be directed to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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