UNFCCC STORY: WHAT LESSONS CAN CBD LEARN FROM IT?

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Two Streams launched at COP-16 in Durban

December 2011

1) <u>Negotiations</u> on a new Climate Agreement (PA)

2. Technical Examination Process; focusing on Solutions Thematic Areas:

- Renewable Energy
- Energy Efficiency
- Land Use
- > Non-CO2 GHGs
- Carbon Capture
- Urban Environment

Negotiations leading to Paris Agreement

Focused on <u>Efforts</u>, rather than Commitments/Results

Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)

 Simplified Global Temperature Goal (keeping it well below 2 Degrees Celsius)

Technical Examination Process:

Focused on <u>Solutions</u> rather than Commitments

 Served as valuable inputs for negotiations and NDCs

UNSG's personal Role

Led to:

- Increased <u>political profile and global awareness</u> of Climate Change challenge
- Enhanced engagement of <u>World Leaders</u>, <u>Private Sector</u>, <u>Civil Society</u>, and <u>UN System</u>
- SG's 2014 Climate Summit; resulting in numerous initiatives and coalitions for action

Climate Change Mainstreaming

1. Climate Change and <u>Development:</u>

• CC is closely linked to <u>economic development</u> and main sectors such as <u>Energy</u>, Forestry, agriculture...

2. Climate Change and <u>Security</u> and <u>Human Rights</u>

3. Climate Change and <u>SDGs</u>

4. Climate Change; <u>a Business case</u>

Learnable Lessons for CBD

- 1. Strengthen <u>synergies</u> and <u>collaboration</u> between CBD and UNFCCC by tapping on their <u>interlinkages</u>
- 2. Highlight <u>Co-benefits</u> from Increased Synergies and Biodiversity Mainstreaming
- 3. Increase the political profile and global awareness of Biodiversity by engaging:

✓ World Leaders

- ✓ UNSG and the <u>UN System</u> more proactively
- 4. Highlight economic values of biodiversity and economic opportunities
- 5. Simplify a <u>global goal for Biodiversity Loss Reduction</u>
- 6. Build some <u>excitement</u> around the upcoming COP