



MEDIA ADVISORY

Call for submission of articles on the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

25 July 2018 – To celebrate the 15th anniversary of the entry into force of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity is seeking articles on key issues of the Protocol. The articles will form part of a media campaign to increase the visibility of the Protocol. The Cartagena Protocol to the Convention on Biological Diversity is an international agreement which aims to ensure the safe handling, transport and use of living modified organisms (LMOs) resulting from modern biotechnology that may have adverse effects on biodiversity. We invite you to submit an article with the following themes:

Article theme

Celebrating 15 years of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

Article sub-themes

- Capacity-building for biosafety
- Mainstreaming biosafety
- Detection and identification of LMOs
- Awareness, education and participation in decision-making on LMOs
- The entry into force of the Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress and national developments in the field of liability and redress
- Socioeconomic considerations in decision-taking processes on LMO

Length: Maximum 500 words

Deadline for submission: 6 September 2018

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<http://bch.cbd.int/database/compiled-national-contacts>

Articles chosen for publication will be posted on the '15th anniversary of the entry into force of the Cartagena Protocol' webpage at <http://bch.cbd.int/protocol>. Selected articles will also be part of a wider dissemination, including in the CBD News Headlines, by Parties to the Cartagena Protocol, and possibly published in newspapers or magazines.

For information on the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety: <http://bch.cbd.int/protocol>