



CITES CoP15 and SC59 Briefing to the Permanent Missions in Geneva

**Thursday, 18 February 2010, 10h00 – 12h00
International Environment House II**

The 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP15) to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) will be held in Doha, Qatar, from 13 to 25 March 2010. It will be preceded by the 59th meeting of the CITES Standing Committee (SC59), on 12 March 2010.

You are cordially invited to attend the briefing on the CITES CoP15 preparations and main issues and on the relevant items to be discussed at the 59th meeting of the Standing Committee.

10h00 Coffee & Tea

10h15 **Welcome and introduction**
Christophe Bouvier, Director and Regional Representative, UNEP

10h20 **Preparations for the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties
and fifty-ninth meeting of the Standing Committee**
Willem Wijnstekers, Secretary-General, CITES Secretariat
Stephen V. Nash, Chief, Capacity Building Unit, CITES Secretariat

11h20 Question-and-answer session

12h00 End

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