

Thank you for hosting one of the open space sessions on relevant practice experience/needs to share and potentially build on to achieve transformational change! Please use this template to record your main results as input for the co-chairs' report. And simultaneously answer the question "How does this help us to identify which changes need to happen?" in slide (feel free to ask one of the participants to support you)

<p>Your Topic for exchange (basic description of your experience/ challenge/ hypothesis):</p>	<p>ACCESS AND BENEFIT SHARING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Most countries have ratified the protocol - Most countries have experiences with users requesting for access but not much benefits flowing back. - challenges to differentiate how to treat Bio-trade, in-country users and outside users - Development of legislation to be coupled with awareness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - valuation of genetic resources
<p>Basic overview of participants (please ask for this at the beginning of the session):</p>	<p>Rough number of participants:</p> <p>Rough overview of represented organisations/countries:</p> <p>ZIMBABWE, GRENADA, FINLAND, NORWAY, NORWAY, SUDAN, COOK ISLANDS, MALAWI, MADAGASCAR, ZAMBIA, BOTSWANA (see LIST)</p>
<p>How does this help us to identify which changes need to happen?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contribution of the Nagoya protocol/ABS to the two objectives, conservation and sustainable use should be captured - Monitoring and tracking if fair and equitable benefit sharing is happening - Are ABS contracts yielding actual benefits on the ground. - ABS contracts should guide all resources to ensure benefits are assured - Who is ensuring that users are complying to ABS in user countries (systems in place) - Commitment to implement ABS (resource commitments) - Indicators to measure equitable sharing

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