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International Technical Conference on Animal Genetic Resources

Interlaken, Switzerland, 3 - 7 September 2007

Reply requested by 29 June 2007

The Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations has the honour to extend an invitation to attend the International Technical Conference on Animal Genetic Resources, which will be held in Interlaken from 3 to 7 September 2007, at the kind invitation of the Government of Switzerland. The Session will be held at the Casino Kursaal Interlaken, Strandbadstrasse 44, Interlaken. The Technical Conference will be preceded by one day of regional consultations, on 1 September 2007, and by a study tour on 2 September 2007. The opening meeting will begin at 10.00 hours on 3 September 2007.

The Session is being convened under the provisions of Article VI-5 of the FAO Constitution and is open to all Members of FAO and to observers. Expenses incurred in connection with attendance at the Technical Conference and travel of representatives and observers shall be borne by the respective governments or organizations.

The Session will be conducted in Arabic, Chinese, English, French and Spanish.

... The Provisional Agenda is attached. Other documents may be downloaded from the following website: <http://www.fao.org/ag/againfo/programmes/en/genetics/angrvent2007.html>. Should printed copies of the documents be required, please contact the Secretariat at: Interlaken_AnGR@fao.org.

Participants are kindly reminded to bring meeting documents to the Session and to refrain from asking for additional copies, unless strictly indispensable.

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This invitation is sent to addressees of invited FAO Members and Non-Members, as prescribed in the official channels of communication of FAO, as follows:

For ACTION/INFORMATION, as appropriate:

- Main Addressees (Ministers for Foreign Affairs or Agriculture or other addressees selected by the Government);
- Permanent Representatives to FAO/Embassies.

This invitation is also being sent to heads of selected international organizations.

The Director-General would appreciate receiving by 29 June 2007, the names, official titles and addresses of the representatives and observers designated to attend the International Technical Conference. This information should be communicated to:

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Any queries or requests for information should also be addressed to the Secretariat at the above address.

Participants are advised to enquire at the nearest Swiss Embassy or Consulate whether visas are required to enter Switzerland, at least 30 days before the date of the meeting.

Delegates are responsible for making their own hotel bookings, possibly before 1 July 2007. Bookings may be made online at: <https://www14.gosecure.ch/interlaken-congress/congress/admin/fao07/form.gos> .