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while Improving Livelihoods**

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22 April, Monday

Participants arrive and stay in the Hotel Lucerne

23 April, Tuesday

7:00-8:00 *Continental Breakfast*

9:00-10:00 Registration. Casa Italiana, Columbia University

Opening Session

Chair: Prof. Motoyuki Suzuki, Vice Rector, United Nations University

10:00-10:30 Welcoming Remarks

1. Prof. Don J. Melnick, Director, Center for Environmental Research and Conservation (CERC), Columbia University
2. Mr. Timo Maukonen, Senior Programme Officer, UNEP

10:30-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-11:40 Keynote Paper Prof. Harold Brookfield, Principal Scientific Coordinator

"The Conservation and Promotion of Biodiversity On-farm: the Evolution of PLEC's Mission, 1992-2002"

11:40-12:00 Dr. Juha Uitto, Global Environment Facility
"A Historical View of PLEC's Genesis and Evolution"

12:00-14:00 *Lunch*

Session One: Biodiversity Assessment and Database

Chair: Dr. Miguel Pinedo Vasquez, Leader of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Team

14:00-15:00

1. Chair's introduction
2. Kevin Coffey, "PLEC Agrodiversity Database and Analysis"
3. Lewis Enu-Kwesi, "Biodiversity Assessment, the Case of Ghana"
4. Guo Huijun/Dao Zhiling, "Agrobiodiversity Assessment at household level, a Case from Southwestern China"
5. Amirou Diallo, "Traditional Management of Biodiversity in Fouta Djallon Highlands, Guinea Republic"

15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee Break*

Session One: Biodiversity Assessment and Database (continued)

15:30 – 16:00

6. Bryant Allen, "Surveying Agrobiodiversity at Tumam, Papua New Guinea"
7. Discussion

Session Two: Management Diversity

Chair: Prof. Michael Stocking, Associate Scientific Coordinator

16:00-17:00

1. Chair's introduction
2. Fidelis Kaihura, "Management Diversity at PLEC demonstration sites in Tanzania"
3. Gordana Kranjac-Berisavljevic, "Diversity Management on PLEC Demonstration sites in Northern Ghana"
4. Kanok Rerkasem, "Management of Diversity in Changing Agroecosystems in Northern Thailand"
5. Discussion

24 April, Wednesday

Session Three: Demonstration Site Activity

Chair: Dr. Christine Padoch, Associate Scientific Coordinator

9:00-10:00

1. Chair's introduction
2. Edwin Gyasi, William Oduro and Gordana Kranjac-Berisavljevic, "Demonstration site Activity in PLEC-Ghana"
3. Ibrahima Boiro and Abdoul Karim Barry, "Demonstration Site Activity in Guinée"
3. Fidelis Kaihura, "Demonstration Site Activity in Tanzania"
4. Joy Tumuhaire, and Charles Nkwiine, "Demonstration Site Activity in Uganda"
5. John N. Kang'ara, "Demonstration Site Activity in Kenya"

10:00 – 10:30 *Coffee Break*

Session Three: Demonstration Site Activity (continued)

10:30 – 12:00

6. Guo Huijun, Dao Zhiling and Fu Youneng, "Demonstration Site Activity in Southwestern China"
7. John Sowe, and Ryutaro Ohtsuka, "Demonstration Site Activity in Papua New Guinea"
8. Kanok Rerkasem, "Demonstration Site Activity in Northern Thailand"
9. Tereza Ximenes Ponte, David McGrath and Miguel Pinedo Vasquez, "Demonstration Site Activity in the Brazilian Amazon"
10. Miguel Pinedo Vasquez, "Demonstration Site Activity in the Peruvian Amazon"
11. Octavio Castelán, "Demonstration Site Activity in Mexico"
12. Elizabeth Thomas-Hope, "Demonstration Site Activity in Jamaica"
13. Discussion

12:00 – 14:00 *Lunch*

14:00-17:00 Press conference at Casa Italiana, Columbia University

25 April, Thursday

Session Four: Capacity Building

Chair: Prof. Harold Brookfield, Principal Scientific Coordinator

9:00-10:00

1. Chair's introduction
2. Statements from PLEC Clusters in Ghana, Guinea, Tanzania, Uganda, Kenya, China and PNG.

10:00 – 10:30 *Coffee Break*

Session Four: Capacity Building (continued)

10:30-11:30

3. Statements from PLEC Clusters in Thailand, Brazil, Peru, Mexico and Jamaica
4. Discussion

Session Five: Project Impacts

Chair: Mr. Timo Maukonen, PLEC Task Manager, UNEP

11:30-12:00

1. Introduction
2. Statements from PLEC Clusters in Ghana and Guinée.

12:00 – 14:00 *Lunch*

Session Five: Project Impacts (continued)

14:00-15:00

3. Statements from PLEC Clusters in Tanzania, Uganda, Kenya, China, PNG, and Thailand.

15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee Break*

15:30 – 17:00

4. Statements from PLEC Clusters in Brazil, Peru, Mexico and Jamaica
5. Discussion

26 April, Friday

Session Six: Discussion of Future Plan

Chair: Mr. Liang Luohui, PLEC Managing Coordinator, UNU

9:00-10:00

1. Chair's introduction
2. Christine Padoch, "An Overview on PLEC Future Plans"
3. Guo Huijun and/or Dao Zhiling, "Proposal Concerning Conservation of Agrobiodiversity in Southwestern China"
4. Miguel Pinedo-Vasquez and David McGrath, "Proposal for a Regional Project in Amazonia"
5. Fidelis Kaihura, "Proposal for East Africa"
6. Kanok Rerkasem, "Introducing a New project in Northern Thailand"
7. Edwin Gyasi, "PLEC Futures in West Africa with special reference to Ghana"
8. Elizabeth Thomas-Hope, "PLEC future plan in Jamaica"

10:00 – 10:30 *Coffee Break*

Session Six: Discussion of Future Plan (continued)

10:30-11:00 Discussion

Session Seven: Fund Raising for the Future

Chair: Prof. A.U. Mokwunye, UNU

11:00-12:00

1. Chair's introduction
2. Panel Discussion: Michael Stocking, Guo Huijun, David McGrath, Eduardo Fuentes, and TBD

12:00 – 14:00 *Lunch*

Session Eight: Business Meeting

Chair: Prof. Motoyuki Suzuki, Vice Rector, UNU

14:00-16:00

1. Chair's introduction
2. Statements from Harold Brookfield, Christine Padoch and Michael Stocking regarding publications and the prize
3. Other business and discussion
4. Transfer of PLEC leadership from Harold Brookfield to Miguel Pinedo-Vasquez
5. Management of a networked future project, Miguel Pinedo-Vasquez

Closing Session

Chair: Prof. Motoyuki Suzuki, Vice Rector, UNU

16:00-16:30

Concluding Remarks

1. Miguel Pinedo-Vasquez, Scientific Coordinator
2. Harold Brookfield, Senior Adviser
3. Timo Maukonen, Task Manager
4. Liang Luohui, Managing Coordinator

17:00-19:00 Reception at CERC, 10th floor Schemerhorn Extension, Columbia University

27 April, Saturday

PLEC Management and Planning Meeting at CERC Office. Representatives from each Cluster of UNU/PLEC, whether or not supported in 1998-2002 by the GEF, are invited to attend.

