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Note by the secretariat

Addendum

Summary

Document ICCD/COP(9)/16 lists all the accreditation requests received as of 30 June 2009 from national, international, governmental and intergovernmental organizations as well as those received from non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and civil society organizations (CSOs). The annex to the present addendum lists the accreditation requests received from NGOs and CSOs since that date.

In accordance with article 22, paragraph 7, of the Convention and rule 7 of the rules of procedure of the Conference of the Parties (COP) (decision 1/COP.1), the secretariat recommends that the COP at its ninth session accredit as observers the NGOs and CSOs listed in the annex to the present document, in addition to those organizations listed in annexes I and II of document ICCD/COP(9)/16.

Annex

**Non-governmental organizations proposed for accreditation to the
Conference of the Parties at its ninth session**

Asociacion Chuyma De Apoyo Rural (CHUYMA ARU)

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Puno

Peru

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Established: 1990

Membership: National

Conducts, with communities, activities related to rainwater harvesting in “qotanas” and “gochas” (storage of rainwater in the upper parts of the communities in the wet season). Helps build infrastructure based on traditional knowledge and local materials in the area in order to partially overcome the scarcity of water and increase agricultural biodiversity. Works on agroforestry with Andean communities (high mountain) using native species for multiple purposes (such as medicinal, fuel, organic matter, making of traditional tools, fodder, construction of homes) using practices originating from the local wisdom of the communities which positively influence the mitigation of desertification – wisdom that should be acknowledged and protected.

Asociación Civil Labor

Urbanizacion Magisterial K-12

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Website: www.labor.org.pe

Established: 1981 – Official recognition: 1981

Membership: National

Promotes citizen participation and leadership, as well as environmental management in sustainable development processes and decentralization, and encourages greater participation of women. Promotes conflict management processes with a socio-environmental impact, reducing the asymmetries between the community, business and the state in the generation of public policies, corporate interaction and local-regional sustainable development. Promotes risk management in the population and of more vulnerable ecosystems, studies the effect of climate change and the implementation of projects with a regional impact, taking account of the practical concerns of men and women. Works to improve institutional development with a sustainable strategic vision and shared leadership as well as the equal participation of men and women at all levels.

Asociación Civil Pro Agro Andino (ONGD-PROAAPE)

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Peru

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Established: 2003

Membership: National

Helps to eradicate extreme poverty and hunger, ensure environmental sustainability, improve and strengthen the scientific knowledge and cultural level of populations in extreme poverty, and meet the general needs of social institutions that may benefit; and to promote positive change in the quantitative and qualitative social development of the region.

Asociación Dejanos Vivir (ADEVIVIR)

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Established: 2002 – Official recognition: 2002

Membership: National

Provides support to international, national, territorial, sectoral, public and private institutions that are evaluating and planning activities for the protection of the environment, biodiversity and the water resources of the planet. Promotes a mentality and the habit of change in the use of wood fuel for household cooking, as well as processing and production using eco-friendly methods that prevent contamination. Supports micro-enterprises dedicated to the conservation of the environment. Undertakes awareness-raising and consciousness-raising at the national and international levels, through audio-visual means, theatre and sports, about the importance of preserving nature.

Asociación Instituto de Desarrollo Tecnológico y Medio Ambiente (Asociacion ITDMA)

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Peru

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Established: 1993 – Official recognition: 1993

Membership: National

Promotes environmental education and capacity-building in rural communities in the High-Andean areas of southern Peru, having established 20 committees for rural development with an emphasis on improving non-motorized trails, as well as an environmental component, natural resource management and capacity-building in community organizations, community credit, the participation of women and strengthening initiatives for local markets. Projects are funded by entities such as the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank and the Peruvian Government as well as by contributions from farming communities.

Asociación Peruana Ecologista y de Interés Conservacionista en América (APECOINCA)

Urbanizacion, Sullana. Mz. "M" – Lote 13

Sullana-Piura

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Established: 2003

Membership: National

Promotes and develops scientific research and technologies to conserve biological diversity, ecology and cultural affairs. Contributes to the development of agro-ecological productivity, promotes environmental education in rural and urban schools, and promotes and disseminates ecological tourism at the regional, national and international levels, as well as ethnic identity and rescuing the country's human values, and enhancing the quality of life in the areas most in need.

Asociación Peruana para la Conservación de la Naturaleza (APECO)

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Established: 1982 – Official recognition: 1982

Membership: National

Conservation projects in northern mountain forest sites have been identified that are connected to the desertification process in the context of a biological diversity assessment that was done for the region. This requires that regional and national decisions are taken and a policy established of restoration of these habitats in the form of "shapumbales" in this area. Shapumbales could be an economic opportunity, but it is necessary to return to a land management process.

Association pour la protection de l'environnement au Burundi (ENVIRO-PROTEC)

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Burundi

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Established: 2000 – Official recognition: 2003

Membership: National

Reforestation and promotion of agroforestry. Water resource management. Income-generating activities aimed at reducing pressure on natural resources and supporting the fight against poverty. Promotion of apiculture, cattle-breeding, cultivation of edible mushrooms. Distribution of improved stoves. Sensitization and environmental education activities.

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Established: 2007 – Official recognition: 2009
Membership: International

Main objectives are to contribute to the analysis, understanding and monitoring of the context of interaction and foreign politics of the countries of Latin America and Arab and Islamic states, the geographical features of which are extreme and often exposed to similar hardships. Collaborates with universities on scientific investigation and research on themes related to desert-prone inhabited regions, aiming at awareness-raising on environmental issues (particularly tree planting), publishing and disseminating information, promoting capacity-building and training. Supports the organization of workshops and inter-cultural exchanges.

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Established: 2002
Membership: National

Pursues development goals through projects focused on the preservation of the environment and the fight against desertification by reducing the pressure on the environment. Initiates support for disadvantaged groups, and encourages active and participatory local development. Encourages the use of improved stoves by training, and dissemination of improved stoves at affordable prices in order to achieve reduced consumption of wood and charcoal as well as reduced energy expenditure per family. Supports the emergence and empowerment of local actors. Campaigns and supports awareness-raising, seminars, symposiums, forums, roundtables, workshops or retreats on all issues or problems related to environmental issues, natural resource management and land restoration. Designs, develops and conducts training modules adapted to needs expressed by communities.

Caribbean Youth Environment Network (CYEN)

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Established: 1992 – Official recognition: 2001

Membership: National

CYEN is a regional organization with a membership comprised of youth groups and individuals. Improves the quality of the life of Caribbean youth by facilitating their personal development and promoting their full involvement in all matters pertaining to the environment and sustainable development. Promotes education and training, Caribbean integration and community empowerment as tools for developing an ethic among young people that assists in the conservation and protection of natural resources in the wider Caribbean

Environmental Management for Livelihood Improvement (EMLI Bwaise Facility)

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Established: 2007 – Official recognition: 2009

Membership: National

Promotes sustainable development and public awareness of the need to manage land, air and water resources in a balanced and sustainable manner for present and future generations; enhances HIV/AIDS awareness; and ensures equitable access to quality basic education at both primary and post-primary level.

Fondo de Apoyo al Desarrollo Regional de Piura (FADERPI)

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Peru

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Established: 2002 – Official recognition: 2002

Membership: National

Committed to the development of the Piura region and helps disadvantaged populations to access support by national and international cooperation to achieve improvements in their living conditions, welfare, health and safety.

Fundación CRICYT (Ciencia y Tecnología al Servicio de la Comunidad)

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Established: 1999 – Official recognition: 1999

Membership: National

Activities aimed at research, and conservation and development of the drylands of Argentina affected by desertification. Integrated assessment of desertification processes (relations between biological and physical support and socio-economic and cultural factors) and obtaining and monitoring of indicators and benchmarks. The ultimate goal is that this knowledge is used to implement actions to combat desertification and poverty.

Fundación Inti Cuyum

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Established: 2003

Membership: National

Fights against desertification in the Cuyo region. The study and protection of native species in the region. Surveys, catalogues and protects the native species and biodiversity of the area. Provides support to the ethnic groups inhabiting the desert areas of the Cuyo region. Campaigning and awareness-raising on climate change issues. Promotes the inclusion of farmers and rural communities. Regional programmes for sustainable tourism in the desert areas of Cuyo and dry Chaco in central and west Argentina. Capacity-building and training activities.

Fundación Universidad Nacional de La Patagonia Austral (FUNPA)

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Established: 2003 – Official recognition: 2004

Membership: National

Member of the network RIOD LAC for the South Cone and implementing entity of the Argentinean NAP. Performs activities and projects in support of the management of urban solid waste in local subregions as well as strategic development and urban planning. Promotes environmental protection in the Andes as well as apiculture and educational activities in protected areas.

Gender, Communication and Social Welfare (GECOSOW)

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Established: 2005

Membership: National

Grassroots development with a special emphasis on the gender approach. Works for the well-being and integration of the marginalized in society with the objective of directly or indirectly contributing to or influencing the development of people in modern society.

Global Network of Dryland Research Institutes (GNDRI)

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Website: www.gndri.net

Established: 2007

Membership: National

GNDRI is a network of 12 research organizations, each in a different country. The goals of GNDRI are to provide mechanisms and tools for the exchange of information by and among the participating institutions; to plan and carry out institutional training, teaching, and student and faculty exchanges for promoting dryland research; to provide scientific information and advice to policymakers in multilateral and global forums for dryland research advocacy; to create and maintain a database on the availability of research facilities in each of the network member institutes, in order to facilitate exchanges of researchers and students, and so on.

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Established: 1999

Membership: National

An offshoot of Fertilizer Major Krishak Bharati Cooperative (KRIBHCO) Limited, which is a cooperative under the administrative control of Government of India. GVT works towards the development of innovative solutions to the livelihood security of poor and marginalized people. It aims to establish and maintain long-term links with governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in order to sustain and strengthen livelihood development in less developed tribal areas. It has a wide range of experience in project planning, implementation of

holistic programmes and providing strategic support for inter-sectoral approaches for livelihood development and poverty reduction.

Groupe d'action Aux Necessiteux (GAN)

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Established: 2006 – Official recognition: 2006

Membership: National

Promotes public health, improves sanitation, informs and trains people about environmental protection and the consequences of its destruction. Reforests the environment in order to fight against global warming, supports local initiatives based on the protection of the environment and the preservation of nature, and protects some rare species of fauna and flora.

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Established: 2007

Membership: International

Promotes the development of systems to produce and utilize biochar, a substance that has the potential to restore fertility to degraded soils and improve agriculture in dry lands, help mitigate the anthropogenic greenhouse effect by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and sequestering atmospheric carbon in a stable soil carbon pool, and improve water quality by retaining agrochemicals. Promotes sustainable co-production of clean energy and other bio-based products as part of the biochar process, as well as efficient biomass utilization in developing country agriculture and cost-effective utilization of urban, agricultural and forest co-products.

Indigenous Peoples of Africa Coordinating Committee (IPACC)

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Website: www.ipacc.org.za

Established: 2002 – Official recognition: 2002

Membership: National

IPACC is an advocacy network of 150 organisations for indigenous people across Africa. It facilitates, coordinates and represents the human rights and interests of the indigenous people of Africa, whenever and wherever appropriate; and furthers the cultural, political, social and

economic rights and interests of the indigenous people of Africa using advocacy, lobbying, networking, exchanges of information, mutual support and other means as appropriate.

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Established: 1990 – Official recognition: 2005

Membership: International

JVE is an organization working for the defence of the environment. It bases its action on the volunteering spirit and aims to involve youth in the development process while ensuring social justice. Its policy priorities are the conservation of biodiversity, eco-citizenship, climate change and community rights.

Krityananand UNESCO Club (KNUC)

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Established: 1992 – Official recognition: 2000-2001

Membership: National

Works in the areas of education, health, child and women's development programmes and human rights; organizes the programme in different areas to support environmental protection and agriculture development; also supports the project work of school and college students, and conducts research for M.SW/PhD research scholars under the organization's chapters.

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www.geocities.com/sylva.world/Sylvafr.htm

Established: 2006

Membership:

Improves the standard of living for those in remote rural areas with scarce resources and limited basic infrastructure; achieves human sustainable development; protects natural resources and ensures their sustainable development. Concerned with the environment and its improvement,

and forests and their sustainable development; combats desertification and creates landscapes with greener, healthier and more hospitable environments.

Uganda Agroforestry Development Network (UGADEN)

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Established: 1997 – Official recognition: 1998

Membership: National

Carries out activities in the fields of agroforestry through capacity-building with various institutions and organizations in agroforestry; provides options for poverty eradication, food security and environmental conservation; combats climate change in Uganda; disseminates agroforestry technologies and innovations in Uganda, such as high-value tropical fruit trees (mango, citrus and avocado), high-value temperate fruit trees (especially apples), fodder banks, woodlots, and so on.

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Established: 1997 – Official recognition: 1998

Membership: National

Uganda Environmental Education Foundation (UEEF) is an indigenous non-governmental organization (NGO) founded in 1997 by a group of professional environmentalists. The mission of UEEF is to provide policy advocacy, sustainable agriculture, agro-forestry, and water and energy conservation through education and training services that promote the sustainable use of natural environmental resources among user communities in Uganda. UEEF has for the past 10 years been engaged in desertification issues through its policy advocacy on the environment, awareness-raising and projects on mitigating desertification. A successful project implemented in a three-year programme on alternative energy sources for schools and communities established nursery beds to provide woodlots and tree planting, energy saving stoves to reduce the use of firewood and tree cutting, and solar energy. UEEF is a member of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and accredited to the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). It carries out its activities in the fields of environmental protection, the conservation of national resources and self-help projects.

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Established: 1943 – Official recognition: 1943

Membership: National

Training and updating human resources in technical subjects at various postgraduate levels, with a view to enhancing human development in the country. Fosters technical and scientific knowledge and research aimed at supporting rural and urban human development. Strengthens social cohesion and identification at the regional and national levels by supporting and promoting local traditional knowledge. Supports the activities of other national, international, governmental and non-governmental entities with services that enhance human development. Promotes participatory approaches to stimulating analyses and debate about possible solutions to local and regional problems related to human development and environmental protection.

Watershed Organisation Trust (WOTR)

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Website: www.wotr.org

Established: 1993 – Official recognition: 1993

Membership: International

WOTR develops the capacities of rural communities, non-governmental organizations and others to undertake holistic natural resource regeneration and to adapt to climate change in semi-arid, resource-fragile and rain-fed areas of India. This includes diversification of livelihoods to reduce risks, and adopting appropriate agriculture and renewable energy technologies. WOTR also undertakes applied research. As of March 2009, the work of WOTR has touched over 800,000 people from 992 villages through 748 watershed projects covering an area of 569,358 hectares in four states.
