# SATOYAMA: a tool for the implementation of the CBD and benefit to the Millennium Development Goals

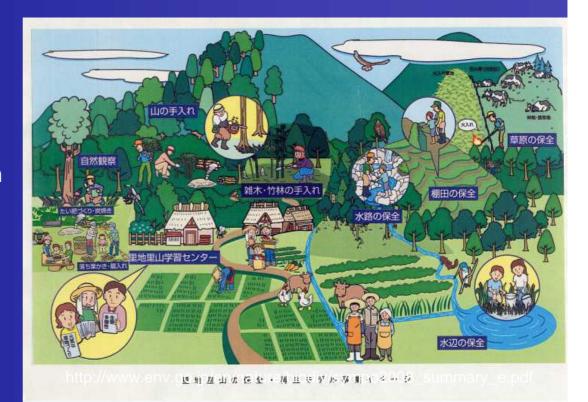
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# Management of successful Satoyama and Satoyama-like landscapes contributes/can contribute to:

- The conservation, sustainable use and access and benefit sharing objectives of the CBD
- The 2010 biodiversity target including poverty alleviation and the benefit of all life on earth
- The Millennium Development Goals 1 (Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger) and 7 (Ensure environmental sustainability)







Successful management of Satoyama and Satoyama-like landscapes is an application of many CBD principles, guidelines, initiatives and activities in the programmes of work adopted by the CBD Conference of the Parties such as:

- Ecosystem approach (decisions V/6 and VII/11)
- Addis Ababa Principles and Guidelines for the Sustainable Use of Biological Diversity (decision VII/12)
- Guidelines for invasive alien species (decision VI/23)
- Respect and promotion of traditional knowledge (Article 8(j))
- Voluntary guidelines on biodiversity-inclusive impact assessment (decision VIII/28)
- Initiatives: GTI, Nutrition, Soil biodiversity, Pollinators, LifeWeb
- Programmes of work e.g. on protected areas, mountain biodiversity, agricultural biodiversity, forest biodiversity, inland waters



### COP-10 October 2010 in Nagoya-Aichi



SBSTTA-14 May 2010 in Nairobi



International workshop on Satoyama Initiative



Asia Pacific workshop on the Satoyama Initiative concept October 2009 in Penang



### We can learn from international initiatives already adopted by COP?

### Initiatives adopted by COP include:

#### In 2002

- The Global Taxonomy Initiative (decision VI/8)
- International Pollinator Initiative (decision VI/5)

#### In 2006

- Initiative on Biodiversity for food, nutrition and health (decision VIII/23)
- International Soil Biodiversity Initiative (decision VIII/23)
- The Global Initiative on communication, education and public awareness (decision VIII/6)



#### n 2008

The LifeWeb Initiative (decision IX/18)

### General lessons from CBD international initiatives:

- On the process leading to development of initiatives
  - International workshop(s)
  - Role of SBSTTA
  - Leading organization to champion the Initiative
  - Global partnership and coordination mechanism (with balanced geographical representation)
- On contents of initiatives
  - Framework: ecosystem approach and linkage to human well-being
  - A decision
  - Annex(es): Plan of action with specific measurable targets



### Specific lessons learnt from CBD international initiatives

#### The LifeWeb Initiative (2009)

- A way to implement Articles20 and 8(m) regardingprotected areas
- A preambular para in section A of decision IX/18 on protected areas: *Welcoming* the efforts of the LifeWeb Initiative promoted by Germany etc.
- Para 5a in section A encouraging Parties to make available information on PAs requiring funding

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- □ A way to implement Articles 8 and 10, sustainable use guidelines and ecosystem approach
- □ A welcoming para in SBSTTA-14 recommendation on sustainable use, with possible reference in recommendations on mountains, inland waters, marine and coastal biodiversity?

# What can we learn from international initiatives already adopted by COP?

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### SBSTTA-14 agenda items (10-21 May 2010)

- 1. Opening of the meeting.
- 2. Election, agenda and organization of work.
- 3. Scientific and technical issues:
  - a. In-depth reviews:
    - i. Mountain biodiversity
    - ii. Inland waters
    - iii.Marine and coastal
    - iv.Protected areas
    - v. Climate change
    - vi.Sustainable use
  - b. GBO-3
  - c. Updated GSPC
  - d. Outcome-oriented goals and targets, and indicators, and post 2010
- 4. Matters arising from other COP-9 decisions
  - a. Agricultural biodiversity:
    - i. Follow-up to decision IX/1
    - ii. Biofuels and biodiversity

- b. Dry and sub-humid lands
- c. Forests: JWP with UNFF and definitions
- d. Gaps and inconsistencies in international regulatory of IAS used as pets etc.
- e. GTI: lessons learned
- f. Incentive measures
  (Article 11): Good practice
  cases and removal of
  perverse, and the
  promotion of + incentives
- g. New and emerging issues
- 5. Ways and means to improve SBSTTA
- 6. Adoption of report and closure

### International Satoyama Initiative:

Elements for SBSTTA-14 recommendation or COP-10 decision

- Welcomes with appreciation preparatory work by Japan and partners
- Endorses the initiative and/or adopts the plan of implementation
- Invites Parties, other governments, indigenous and local communities and relevant organizations to promote the initiative and carry out the activities
- Invites/urges Parties and other governments to designate focal points
- Requests the Executive Secretary with UNU and other partners to continue organizing regional workshops for capacity building and further understanding functioning of Satoyama and Satoyama-like landscapes
- Requests GEF, multilateral funding agencies, and developed countries to provide funds to ....



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### International Satoyama Initiative: Possible elements of the plan of action

- Introduction
  - Status of biodiversity and ecosystem services in secondary ecosystems; and causes and extent of secondary ecosystems; ecosystem carrying capacity
  - Characteristics of Satoyama/Satoumi and Satoyama-like landscapes worldwide. The common principles would include:
    - 1. Ecological diversity inherent in secondary nature
    - 2. Local wisdom for the use of secondary nature
    - 3. Participation of multiple stakeholders
    - 4. Local historical and cultural context
- Overall objectives of the initiative: what the initiative should achieve in terms of conservation of biodiversity and ecosystem services, and of human well-being; linkage to the Strategic Plan, post 2010 targets and MDGs, taking into account predicted changes/pressures
- Goals, related targets (SMART) and activities (rationale, ways and means, planned outputs, actors and partners)
  - Monitoring and assessment, and ways and means to enhance implementation

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- Introduction
- Overall objectives of the initiative
- ☐ Goals, related targets (SMART) and activities (rationale, ways and means, planned outputs, actors and partners). Among activities:
  - Highlight commonalities and differences in Satoyama and Satoyama-like landscapes (and seascapes?) (ecological and socioeconomic dimensions)
  - Extract the principles behind the sustainable management and use of resources in Satoyama and Satoyama-like landscapes including economic dimension (e.g. need for subsidies? who pays for ecosystem services? distribution of wealth).
  - Highlight best practices and develop user-friendly databases
  - Derive operational guidance/guidelines that will allow successful replication/adaptation of the models everywhere



Monitoring and assessment, and ways and means to enhance implementation including possible establishment of an advisory committee

### International Satoyama Initiative: Possible qualifications of the initiative i.e. overall intent

### International Satoyama Initiative for:

- Realizing sustainable rural societies living in harmony with nature (Japan)
- Life in harmony with nature
- Enhanced harmony between humans and nature
- Enhanced sustainable management and use of semi-natural ecosystems
- The sustainable management and use of natural resources in semi-natural ecosystems
- Advancing socio-ecological production systems for the benefit of biodiversity and human well-being
- Sustainably increasing the benefit of ecosystem services that human beings receive (Japan's proposed SP-long term target)



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### International Satoyama Initiative for:

- [Further] promoting human activities that have both effects of conserving ecosystem services and of benefiting from them, such as sustainable use of the secondary natural environment (Japan's proposed SP- means to implement sub-target D-3)
- Sustaining biodiversity [in secondary ecosystems] and related services at levels that ensure present and future human well-being and sustainable lives in harmony with nature (Jo's proposed SP)
- The rehabilitation and restoration of degraded ecosystems (= emphasis on activities that can revert biodiversity loss)



### Why emphasis on rehabilitation/restoration?



- Extent of degraded ecosystems:
  - MA report
  - National reports
  - ISRIC 2008 report: >25% land is degrading, mainly in forest and cropland. About 1.5 bn people depend directly on the degrading lands
  - Implication for lost opportunity in terms of C fixation: cost is in the range of \$50 billion. Implication in terms of GHG emission is high.
  - GBO-3 (ecosystem degradation continues to be important and needs to be addressed urgently)
- The Initiative can have [ambitious] targets e.g. stop degradation and rehabilitate/restore by 2020 half of the degrading land with contribution to REDD and C sequestration. Such targets are measurable

