



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2020/013

Geneva, 19 February 2020

CONCERNING:

CITES Tree Species Programme

1. At its 18th meeting (CoP18, Geneva, 2019), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decision 18.14 on *Tree Species Programme*, as follows:

Parties are invited to provide information to the Secretariat regarding their experiences, lessons learned and recommendations on:

 - a) *past work under the ITTO-CITES programme for implementing CITES for tropical timber species and its contribution to their implementation of the Convention; and*
 - b) *work under the CITES Tree Species Programme for implementing CITES for tree species listed in Appendix II.*
2. The information provided in response to this Notification will be taken into consideration by the Secretariat in its reporting to the Plants Committee, the Standing Committee, and the 19th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, as per Decision 18.17 paragraphs b) and c).
3. In order to collect the information called for in Decision 18.14, and to prepare the report to the 25th meeting of the Plants Committee, the Secretariat hereby invites Parties to submit this information to milena.schmidt@cites.org by **31 March 2020**.