

Programme

The programme is divided into three sessions.

- The first session will provide a number of presentations focusing on mainstreaming concepts and mechanisms.
- The second session will explore a series of case studies from Malaysia.
- The third session will be conducted in workshop style to allow more discussion.

Day 1	
Session 1	Morning session: Mainstreaming of Biodiversity Principles and concepts Chaired by NRE
Session 2	Afternoon session: Case studies of experiences with mainstreaming Chaired by NRE
Day 2	
Session 3	The Implementation Issues and Challenges

**** Note: registration starts at 8.30am****

To facilitate discussion, sessions will be conducted in both Bahasa Malaysia and English.

Date & Venue

Date 23-24 November 2009
Venue Hotel Equatorial, KL.

Jalan Sultan Ismail,
50250 Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 603 2161 7777
(Monorail: Raja Chulan station)

Please provide registration details by filling out the attached registration form. No fee will be charged.

The closing date for registration is 13th November 2009, at 4pm.

Please send completed form to

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Environmental Conservation Division
(Mainstreaming Biodiversity Seminar)

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<http://www.nre.gov.my/EN/Pengumuman/Pages/MainstreamingBiodiversitySeminar.aspx>

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NATIONAL SEMINAR MAINSTREAMING BIODIVERSITY

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Introduction

The Malaysian government is committed to the management of biodiversity of the country as stipulated in the National Policy on Biological Diversity (NPBD) 1998.



In line with Strategy VI of the NPBD which calls for the integration of biodiversity consideration into sectoral planning strategies, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (NRE) has introduced 'A Common Vision on Biodiversity'

which has a three-pronged implementation approach and outreach strategy, which are:

1. Strengthening the Protected Areas System
2. Land/Seascape management for Biodiversity
3. Mainstreaming of Biodiversity

The Common Vision on Biodiversity provides emphasis on implementation and seeks to make operational the existing Policies of Malaysia relevant to biodiversity management and also the implementation of the obligations under the Convention on Biological Diversity.

In this connection, NRE, Malaysian Environmental NGOs (MENGO), and World Wide Fund For Nature (WWF) – Malaysia are organising a seminar on mainstreaming biodiversity to create awareness and to garner support and ownership for implementation.

Mainstreaming Biodiversity

Within the context of biodiversity, mainstreaming simply means integrating or incorporating actions related to conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity into policies, plans and programmes of existing sectors that may affect biodiversity and the production of ecosystem services. This is in recognition of the crucial role of biodiversity in human well-being.

Mainstreaming for biodiversity necessitates:

1. An understanding and acceptance of the importance of a healthy environment and provision of continuous and undisrupted ecosystem services
2. The will and ability to identify win-win situations that benefit both biodiversity and the sustainability of a specific sector.

Mainstreaming biodiversity into planning processes can be accomplished using different tools such as Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA), Sustainability Assessment (SA) Ecosystem Approaches (EsA), Integrated River Basin Management (IRBM), Integrated Shoreline Management Planning, and Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) to name a few.



Tools and approaches to mainstreaming need to be exposed and understood at both a conceptual as well as at a practical level. This seminar serves as an introductory platform for interested parties to get an overview of issues related to Mainstreaming of Biodiversity.

Objectives

The two-day seminar is designed to:

- a. enable a greater understanding and awareness of mainstreaming biodiversity and its application in the Malaysian context,
- b. enhance cross-sectoral working and relationships between departments and agencies; and
- c. provide an avenue for networking to deliberate on various approaches in mainstreaming biodiversity and related issues.

Theme

Mainstreaming Biodiversity is the theme for this seminar. It provides an understanding of concepts and case studies on first day programme while selected participants on the second day will explore implementation issues and mechanisms in further detail.



Who should attend

The first day of the seminar is open to all stakeholders on a first come first serve basis. The practitioners from State and local levels who deal with natural resource and biodiversity issues on a regular basis are encouraged to attend. We encourage you to attend the seminar, if you:

- Work with any kind of planning or activity that effects landscaping. Possess the commitment and willingness to further incorporate sustainability in land-use.
- Work in the biodiversity hotspots, such as wildlife reserves, marine parks or forest coverage within their boundaries.



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Name: _____

Position/Title: _____

Organisation and mailing Address: _____

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If yes, please indicate (peanut, dairy products, vegetarian, etc) _____

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