International Partnership for the *Satoyama* Initiative

**UNEP’s Potential Contribution**

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Overview

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1. Thoughts on the *satoyama* concept and the Initiative

- Multifaceted nature of *satoyama*
  - wetlands, drylands, deserts, forests, agriculture and paddy fields, and biodiversity.
- Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)
  - CBD, Ramsar, CMS, UNCCD, UNFCCC, etc.
- Sustainable Development
  - Rural Development
  - Ecological
  - Economics
  - Social
  - Cultural
2. Rationale

– UNEP’s Mandate

provides leadership and encourages **partnership** in caring for the **environment** by inspiring, **informing**, and enabling nations and peoples to improve their quality of life without compromising that of the future generations.
2. Rationale, cont’d

– UNEP’s Strengths
  – Links with governments: environmental policy and decision making
  – Links with MEA Secretariats
  – Capacity Building and training (Bali Strategic Plan)
  – 2010-2011 Sub-programmes (Ecosystem Management, Environmental Governance, Resource Efficiency, Climate Change, etc.)
  – Ongoing work, eg. Development of the concept of biocultural community protocols and
3. Potential Contribution to Clusters

- Support to policy and decision making
  - Bridge research and policy
- Capacity building and awareness raising
- Case studies
- Contribution to development of indicators
- Networking
4. Focal Organization

- Partner with lead organizations in areas such as support to policy and decision making, capacity building and awareness, networking, and development of case studies.
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