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NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

ENHANCING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CMS FAMILY AND CIVIL SOCIETY

The UNEP/CMS Secretariat would like to draw Parties' attention to [CMS Resolution 11.10 \(Rev.COP12\)](#) on "Synergies and Partnerships".

With a view to promoting the implementation of the Resolution's provisions concerning the relationship between the CMS Family and Civil Society, the Secretariat invites Parties, other governments, civil society organizations (CSOs) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to consider and make recommendations on:

- Mechanisms that will facilitate CSO- and NGO-facilitated work to be formally and consistently reported across the CMS Family and to be considered by the Parties and governing bodies of agreements within the CMS Family;
- Models for further CSO and NGO involvement in CMS processes;
- Modalities for further strategic engagement with CSOs and NGOs to provide implementation and capacity-building expertise

Any such contributions communicated to the Secretariat (cms.secretariat@cms.int) by **13 September 2018** will be consolidated for the consideration of the 48th Standing Committee Meeting (23-24 October 2018, Bonn, Germany).

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