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ABS resources for business and industry and the UEBT approach to ABS

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ABS resources for business and industry

- Guidelines and codes of conduct: some examples
 - IFPMA guidelines (2013)
 - ABS Management Tool (2012)
 - IFRA-IOFI guidance document for the flavour and fragrance industry (2020)
- Websites/webpages with guidance for members
 - E.g. Euroseeds
- Sector/Company level activities
 - Annual webinars (e.g. International Biocontrol Manufacturers Association), conferences, trainings
 - Internal guidelines and compliance programmes

UEBT - An international non-profit association that promotes sourcing with respect

- It works with companies in cosmetics, personal care, food, flavours and fragrances, natural pharmaceuticals
- It supports and verifies companies' commitment to sourcing with respect for people and biodiversity
- UEBT members commit to gradually implement good practices in operations and supply chains



UEBT members include:

- Leading brands
- Product manufacturers
- Processing companies
- Cooperatives and Farms



Ethical BioTrade standard

UEBT approach

- 1 Assess ethical sourcing policies and practices**
 Corporate policies and supply chain practices
- 2 Set targets for continuous improvement**
 Time-bound targets for due diligence and positive impact
- 3 Manage risks for people and biodiversity**
 Due diligence on cultivation and wild collection practices in natural raw materials
- 4 Promote positive impact for people and biodiversity**
 Improving cultivation and wild collection practices in strategic natural raw materials
- 5 Monitoring, reporting & communication**
 Monitoring implementation + impact, with optional verification + certification claims

Membership commitments



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UEBT approach: beyond legal compliance on ABS

- **Principle 3** - Fair and equitable sharing of benefits derived from the use of biodiversity, including:
 - Use of natural raw materials complies with applicable legal requirements on ABS
 - Where no ABS legal requirements apply, the utilization of GR and associated TK accessed from indigenous peoples and local communities respect ABS principles
 - Patents and other IP rights respect the rights of countries, indigenous peoples and local communities over GR and ATK
- **Principle 5** – Compliance with international and national legislation



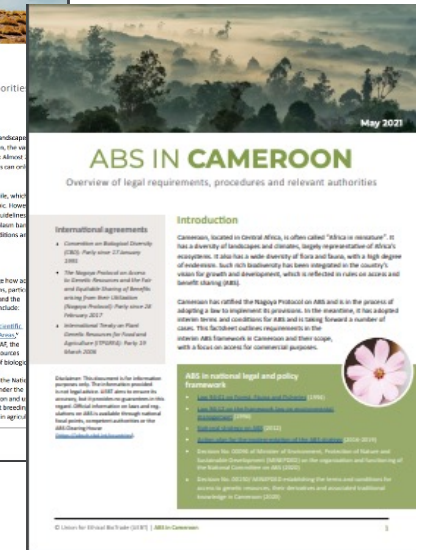
UEBT support to putting in practice ABS

- Guidance and verification of compliance with rules and practices in the Ethical BioTrade standard
- Training and advisory services
 - Developing and improving ABS due diligence systems
 - ABS assessments for specific ingredients
 - ABS negotiations and permitting processes
- Collaborations for practical solutions and positive impact on the ground
 - Projects with companies, governments, international organisations and other partners

Some UEBT resources

- ABS factsheets
- Guidance documents and tools
 - UEBT online tool on ABS
 - Video on « What is ABS »
 - FAQs on the Nagoya Protocol
- E-training course on ABS due diligence
- Case studies
 - The contribution of ABS to the SDGs

Available at: <https://www.ethicalbiotrade.org/resources>





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