Launch of UNEP South-South Cooperation Exchange Mechanism

The UNEP Division of Regional Cooperation (DRC) is pleased to announce the recent global launch of the UNEP South-South Cooperation Exchange Mechanism (www.unep.org/south-south-cooperation), an interactive online initiative which aims to strengthen exchange and collaboration between developing countries in the fields of environment and sustainable development. The Exchange Mechanism is the first online portal of its kind to focus specifically on South-South Cooperation in these fields.

The UNEP South-South Cooperation Team is now soliciting submissions of initiatives with South-South Cooperation components in the fields of environment and sustainable development, as well as relevant news and events to be featured on the Exchange Mechanism.

The Exchange Mechanism provides users with interactive features and comprehensive coverage of cases of projects and programs that have generated or are likely to generate significant achievements using South-South Cooperation modalities. The range of topics showcased is comprehensive, and includes water, energy, agriculture, biodiversity, climate change, protected areas, and waste management among others. These cases capture a variety of partnership typologies, from private sector direct investments to North-South-South triangular cooperation. The Exchange Mechanism also promotes the sharing of relevant news and events and fosters partnership, dialogue, and networking through discussion forums and an online chat function.

Submitting an initiative to be featured as a case study is an opportunity to reach and connect with a wide audience of UN organisations, national governments, NGOs, research centres, civil society, academics, and others working on environmental and sustainable development issues.

We invite those interested in submitting GEF projects results and experiences to the Exchange Mechanism to:

- Register their email address at http://www.unep.org/south-south-cooperation/login
- And get in touch with us via email at southsouth.cooperation@unep.org