

*Annex I***CRITERIA AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF EXPERTS TO BE NOMINATED TO THE ROSTER****I. SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL EXPERTS**

Minimum academic and professional qualifications:

- A postgraduate degree and five years of experience;
- Demonstrated professional experience, including:
 - Peer-reviewed publications, including articles in internationally recognized journals;
 - Non peer-reviewed publications and reports;
 - Presentations at conferences, workshops and scientific/technical symposia;
 - Participation in relevant scientific and technical committees, expert panels or advisory bodies; and
 - Project-related experience.

II. LEGAL EXPERTS

Minimum academic and professional qualifications:

- A degree in law and five years of professional experience;
- Professional experience in relevant areas of expertise, including:
 - In-depth knowledge of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;
 - Knowledge of biosafety issues;
 - Familiarity with sector(s) related to the Protocol (e.g. international trade, environment, agriculture, etc.);
 - National and/or international experience in the relevant area of expertise (e.g. participation in policy, legislative or regulatory development);
 - Experience in drafting and/or reviewing national legislation related to issues under the Protocol;
 - An understanding of developments in international law;
 - An understanding of other international rights and obligations.

III. POLICY AND REGULATORY EXPERTS

Minimum academic and professional qualifications:

- Undergraduate degree or equivalent and five years of professional experience;
- Professional experience in relevant areas of expertise, including:
 - In-depth knowledge of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;
 - Knowledge of biosafety issues;
 - Familiarity with sector(s) related to the Protocol (e.g. international trade, environment, agriculture, etc.);

- National and/or international experience in the relevant area of expertise (e.g. participation in policy, legislative or regulatory development);
- Experience in policy formulation; and
- Experience working in a regulatory agency or agencies on issues related to the Protocol.

IV. BIOSAFETY SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION EXPERTS

Minimum academic and/or professional qualifications:

- A university degree or equivalent and five years of experience in biosafety systems;
- Professional experience, including:
 - Participation in and/or facilitation of biosafety activities (e.g. workshops, negotiations, advisory and technical bodies, steering committees at the local, national, subregional, regional and international levels);
 - Experience with and knowledge of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;
 - Public awareness and participation; and
 - Development and implementation of biosafety initiatives.