## CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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## IMPLEMENTATION MANUAL FOR PLANT ANNOTATIONS IN THE CITES APPENDICES

This document has been submitted by Germany, in relation to working documents 83.1, 83.2 and 83.3 on Annotations.

- (1) Understanding the CITES Appendices and the plant and animal species included in Appendices I, II and III is often difficult. A particular challenge is the implementation of the various Annotations which accompany many plant species. To support implementation and enforcement of CITES plant listings the Scientific Authority of Germany has prepared an Implementation Manual presented in this Information Document.
- (2) The aim of this booklet is to be a practical guide for the implementation of these Annotations and an improved understanding of the terms used in them. Considerable effort has been made to summarize and illustrate the majority of commodities that can be found in international trade, including their transitional processing stages from raw material to finished product.
- (3) This manual will be updated in the light of changes to the Appendices and improved understanding of trade and its commodities.
- (4) Proposals to include additional relevant commodities of CITES plants in the image section are highly welcome. They can be send to Uwe Schippmann (<u>schippmu@bfn.de</u>).

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