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**Experience on ABS Policy and Legislation for
Genetic Resources in Japan**

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**1. Implementation of
CBD-ABS in Japan**

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Role of JBA in Implementing ABS

- **ABS National Focal Point:**
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- **ABS Competent National Authorities:**
Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)
Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries



JBA : Entrusted by METI to implement ABS

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Implementation of CBD-ABS

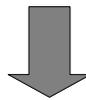
The Bonn Guidelines on ABS:

METI-JBA carried out awareness-raising activities in Japan throughout 2002 and 2003.

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Lessons Learned

“Providing Practical Tools is as important as providing Principles” for ABS.



“We should develop more target-specific and reader-friendly Guidelines”

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Intended Target of Japan's GL

**Industry & Academia
as Users of GR and TK**

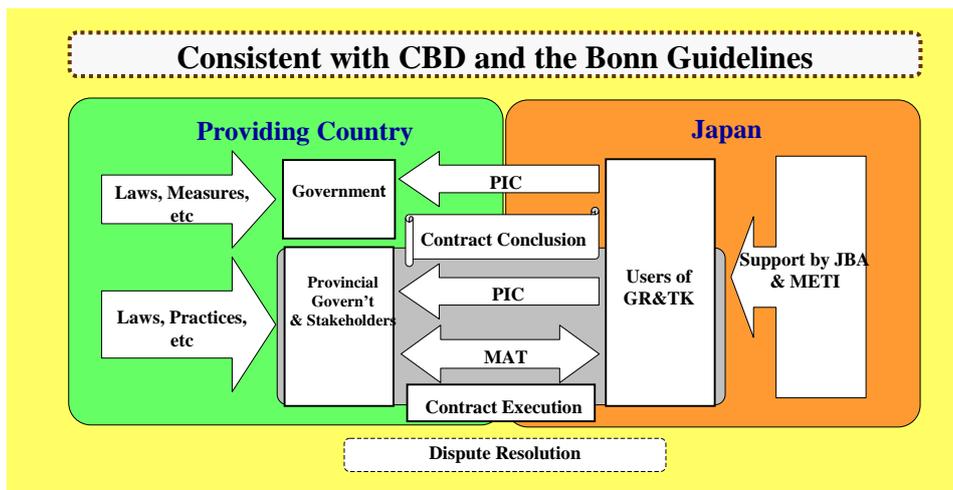
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METI-JBA jointly developed

**The Guidelines on ABS
for Users in Japan**

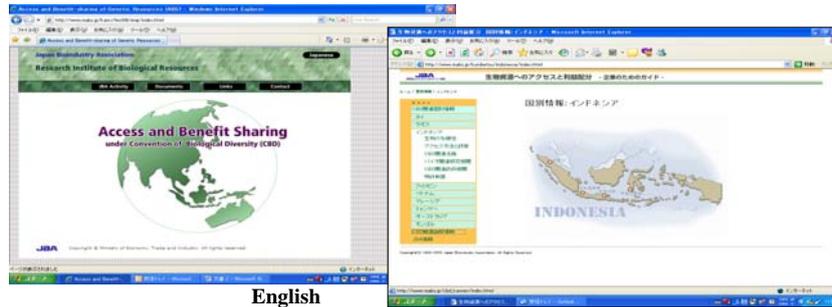
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**Structure of
the Guidelines on ABS for Users in Japan**



METI-JBA's Support for Users

- 1) Information Service (<http://mabs.jp/>)**
Website for information on ABS-related laws & regulation of providing countries



English

Japanese

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METI-JBA's Support for Users (Cont'd)

- 2) ABS Help Desk**
Free-of-charge consultation for users on confidential basis



Japanese

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METI-JBA's Support for Users (Cont'd)

3) Fact-finding Missions to Providing Countries to understand their laws and regulatory procedures

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METI-JBA's Support for Users (Cont'd)

4) Bilateral Workshops for Information Exchange

with the following countries:

**Australia, Bhutan,
China, India, Indonesia,
Malaysia, Mongolia,
Myanmar, Nepal,
New Zealand, Singapore,
Thailand, and Vietnam.**



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National Situations are Different in Different Countries:

- **History, Language,
Culture, Religion, etc**
- **Domestic Needs**
- **National policy**
- **Regulatory system, etc**

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Mutual Understanding
is an essential basis
for development of partnership

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2. “The Basic Act on Biodiversity”

(the Act no. 58 of 2008)

*adopted on the 28th of May, and
came into force on the 6th of June 2008*

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