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EXPECTED OUTCOME.

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- increased support base for the Kyoto Protocol the international agreement that sets out each country's targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and the options available to achieve them.
- clear definition of Canadian interests as negotiations for the second commitment period begin in 2005.
- cementing Canadian credibility and leadership on developing country issues in the UNFCC.

Synergies between UN Conventions

A government wide experts' workshop hosted by DFAIT in October 2003 identified potential synergies at the national level among the three UN Conventions to do with Climate Change, Bioliogical Diversity and Combatting Desertification. The benefits of capitalizing on the synergies will be seen in strengthened cooperation across the Canadian government and in the development of consistent views in the international fora

