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DECISION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

14/18. Gender plan of action

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decision XII/7, in which it welcomed the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action under the Convention,

Noting that the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action is at its mid-way point, and *recognizing* the need for effective implementation of the Plan, including towards the achievement of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020,

1. *Welcomes* the updated assessment of progress in the implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action;¹

2. *Emphasizes* the need to address gender considerations in the development of the post-2020 biodiversity framework and in line with the gender targets of the Sustainable Development Goals;²

3. *Encourages* Parties to develop and implement gender-responsive strategies and actions to support the implementation of the Convention and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020;

4. *Encourages* Parties and *invites* other relevant stakeholders to support actions to strengthen knowledge on the linkages between gender and biodiversity, including through the provision of resources for capacity-building on gender and biodiversity issues, and the collection of sex-disaggregated data;

5. *Encourages* Parties and *invites* other relevant stakeholders to support harmonized approaches to capacity-building and implementation of gender-responsive measures for biodiversity across the multilateral environmental agreements;

6. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, subject to availability of resources, to undertake a review of the implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action, in parallel to the development of the fifth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* and the second edition of the *Local Biodiversity Outlooks*, in order to identify gaps, best practices and lessons learned;

7. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to organize regional workshops on the linkages between gender and biodiversity, and the lessons learned from the implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action;

¹ <u>CBD/SBI/2/2/Add.3</u>.

² See General Assembly resolution $\underline{70/1}$, annex.

8. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to include discussions on the linkages between gender and biodiversity, and the lessons learned from the implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action within the regional consultations on the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.