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Agenda item 12

**Decision adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity**

**14/28. Tools to evaluate the effectiveness of policy instruments for the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020**

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* [decision XIII/1](https://www.cbd.int/doc/decisions/cop-13/cop-13-dec-01-en.pdf), paragraphs 29 and 30,

1. *Emphasizes* the need for sound evaluations of the effectiveness of policy instruments or measures in supporting the implementation of the Convention and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011‑2020 and for associated capacity-building, and therefore *requests* the Executive Secretary to take both into account when preparing for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and for the third meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation;

2. *Also emphasizes*, in this context, the importance of aligning indicators used across different reporting processes on biodiversity and sustainable development;

3. *Encourages* the use by Parties, other Governments, international organizations, indigenous peoples and local communities, the business sector and other stakeholders, as appropriate, of the information in the note by the Executive Secretary on tools to evaluate the effectiveness of policy instruments for the implementation of the Convention[[1]](#footnote-1) when designing and undertaking evaluations of the effectiveness of measures taken to implement the Convention, including in the context of preparing their national reports;

4. *Requests* Parties and *invites* other Governments, international organizations, indigenous peoples and local communities, the business sector and other stakeholders to share, as appropriate through their national reports and the clearing-house mechanism and other appropriate means, information on the methodologies used in evaluations of the effectiveness of measures taken to implement the Convention, including case studies, as well as lessons learned from these evaluations;

5. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to develop, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its third meeting, a tool kit to assist Parties, other Governments, international organizations, indigenous peoples and local communities, the business sector and other stakeholders in the implementation of evaluations of the effectiveness of measures, building on the guidance provided in the note by the Executive Secretary,1 and on information submitted in accordance with paragraph 4 above.

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1. [CBD/SBSTTA/21/7](https://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/sbstta/sbstta-21/official/sbstta-21-07-en.pdf). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)