

**Template for submission of scientific and technical comments on Appendix 1 of the recommendation adopted by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice for the Resumed Session of its twenty-fourth meeting**

**TEMPLATE FOR COMMENTS**

<b>Review comments on Appendix 1 of the present recommendation</b>	
<b>Scope of this template for comments</b>	Template for submitting comments in accordance with recommendation CBD/SBSTTA/REC/24/2, paragraph 2, where the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), under the guidance of the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA), invites Parties, other Governments and relevant stakeholders to submit views on Appendix 1 of the recommendation.
<b><i>Contact information</i></b>	
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<b>Comments</b>	
Please provide any general comments on the Appendix 1.	
<p>The global proportion of habitats protected (GPHPI) and the local proportion of habitats protected (LPHPI) indexes can be used to monitor target 3 within Appendix 1 to CBD/SBSTTA/REC/24/2. These two indexes measure the percentage of marine habitats within protected areas and OECMS. They inform how ecological representative the network of protected areas and OECMS are and are useful as complementary indicators for Target 3. They are published in Scientific Data available at this link: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-022-01296-4">https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-022-01296-4</a></p>	