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## NOTIFICATION

### Invitation to the Online Discussion Forum on the Preparation of a Knowledge Management Component of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, in its decision [14/25](#), requested the Executive Secretary to develop, in consultation with the Informal Advisory Committee to the Clearing-House Mechanism, the Biosafety Clearing-House and the Access and Benefit Sharing Clearing-House, a knowledge management component as a part of the preparatory process for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

In this regard, I am pleased to invite you to take part in an Online Discussion Forum on the Preparation of the Knowledge Management Component of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, scheduled to take place from **24 to 28 August 2020**. The Forum will provide an opportunity for participants to share additional ideas and inputs on the draft elements of the component prepared in consultation with the Informal Advisory Committee to the Clearing-House Mechanism.

Participation in the Forum is open to Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities (IPLCs), women and youth and other organizations actively involved in the generation, collection, management and exchange of biodiversity data, information and knowledge. To join the Forum, participants must register and sign-in on the [Forum web platform](#) using their CBD account. Those without a CBD account can create one by following the instructions on the CBD sign-in page. Kindly note that those who were registered for the Thematic Consultation on Capacity-Building and Technical and Scientific Cooperation, held on 1-2 March 2020 in Rome, have already been pre-registered to participate in the Forum and will be receiving a follow-up message soon.

Parties, other Governments, IPLCs, women and youth and other relevant organizations unable to participate in the Forum, but wishing to provide comments on the draft elements of the knowledge management component, may send their input to [knowledge.management@cbd.int](mailto:knowledge.management@cbd.int), as soon as possible but no later than **31 August 2020**.

I look forward to your active participation in the Forum and to your valuable comments on the knowledge management component, which will facilitate its improvement before it is submitted for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its third meeting and, subsequently, by the Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth meeting.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Elizabeth Maruma Mrema  
Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points, Cartagena Protocol Focal Points, ABS Focal Points, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant organizations

