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NOTIFICATION

Invitation to submit information for the development of indicators, metrics and progress measurement tools on Biodiversity and Health

Dear Sir or Madam,

In its decision $\underline{16/19}$, the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the Convention on Biological Diversity requested the Executive Secretary to complete the work conducted pursuant to paragraph 13 (a) of decision 14/4 on the development of integrated science-based indicators, metrics and progress measurement tools on biodiversity and health.

To support this work, I am pleased to invite Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations and stakeholders to submit information that could be useful in the development of the integrated science-based indicators referred above. In preparing the submission, please see below possible elements that may be included:

- Examples of indicators on biodiversity and health (including for human, animal, plant and environmental health), useful to assess progress towards the mainstreaming of biodiversity and health interlinkages, in particular in consideration of the Global Action Plan (decision 16/19, Annex I), section III and paragraph 14.
- Information on data sources and repositories of information that could be used to support the application of the indicators.
- Any efforts that may be related to the development of science-based indicators on biodiversity and health by other organizations or initiatives.

Submissions should be sent through an official letter addressed to the Executive Secretary, by e-mail to secretariat@cbd.int as soon as possible but no later than 15 April 2025.

I thank you for your cooperation in this matter and your continued support to the work of the Convention.

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

(Signed) Astrid Schomaker Executive Secretary

To: CBD national focal points, SBSTTA focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations

cc: Cartagena Protocol national focal points, ABS national focal points





