

**NOTIFICATION****Submission of views and relevant experiences on scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (decision 16/12)**

Dear Sir or Madam,

In its decision [16/12](#) on scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (paragraph 2), the Conference of the Parties (COP), decided that work could be advanced in the following areas, avoiding duplication with existing multilateral processes and respecting their mandates:

- (a) Biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning;
- (b) Pollution and biodiversity;
- (c) Sustainable biodiversity-based activities, products and services that enhance biodiversity;
- (d) Equity, gender equality and the human rights-based approach relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and the fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from the utilization of genetic resources;
- (e) Different value systems, as stated in paragraph 7 (b) of section C of the Framework.

As requested in paragraph 4 (d) of the same decision, I would like to invite Parties, other Governments, relevant multilateral environmental agreements and other agreements, intergovernmental processes, international organizations and initiatives, indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth organizations and other relevant stakeholders to provide submissions on their views and relevant experiences on those work areas for each of the issues referred to above..

Kindly submit your views and relevant information, as described above, through an official letter addressed to the Executive Secretary, by e-mail to [secretariat@cbd.int](mailto:secretariat@cbd.int) as soon as possible, but no later than **31 May 2025**. Parties are encouraged to provide their submissions through the Clearing-House Mechanism using the following link: <https://chm.cbd.int/submit/submission/new?notification=2025-058>.

The Secretariat will provide a summary of the submissions, and taking the workload at future meetings of the Conference of the Parties into account, make proposals for potential further work for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice before the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

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

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

(Signed) Astrid Schomaker  
Executive Secretary

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

cc: ABS national focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points