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Agenda items 11 and 12

Review of the programmes of work of the Convention

Multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties

Recommendation adopted by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation on 29 May 2024

4/13. Multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties

The Subsidiary Body on Implementation,

Noting paragraph 9 of decision 15/4 of the Conference of the Parties of 19 December 2022,

Noting also recommendation 26/2 of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice of 18 May 2024 and its complementarity to the present recommendation,

Recommends that, at its sixteenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties adopt a decision along the following lines:

**[The Conference of the Parties,*

Recalling its decision [15/4](#) of 19 December 2022, in which it decided that the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework¹ should be used as a strategic plan for the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity² and its Protocols, its bodies and its Secretariat over the period 2022–2030,

Recalling also its decision [15/33](#) of 19 December 2022, in which it noted that it would review progress in the implementation of the Convention and the Framework at each of its meetings up to 2030 and decided that the development of further guidance for policy development and implementation should support achievement of the goals and targets set out in the Framework, the outcome of the global analysis of information in national biodiversity strategies and action plans, including national targets, and the global review of collective progress in implementation, as well as new information that might become available, including through scientific assessments,

* The present draft decision was prepared by the Chair of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation with the support of the Secretariat following the first reading of agenda items 11 and 12. The text of the draft decision was not reviewed by the Subsidiary Body at its fourth meeting.

¹ Decision [15/4](#), annex.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1760, No. 30619.

1. *Decides* to update its multi-year programme of work up to 2030 according to the list of issues set out in the annex to the present decision;
2. *Also decides* to review and update, at its seventeenth and eighteenth meetings, the programmes of work and cross-cutting issues under the Convention on Biological Diversity, focusing on their alignment with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and addressing a limited number of those programmes of work and issues at each of its meetings;
3. *Further decides* to address, at each of its meetings, standing items consistent with its previous decisions, as well as other issues arising from its decisions related to particular programmes of work and cross-cutting issues, to maintain sufficient flexibility in its multi-year programme of work in order to accommodate emerging issues or opportunities that it may identify and, to that end, to review its multi-year programme of work at its seventeenth and eighteenth meetings, so as to enable any necessary adjustments to be made.

Annex

List of the main issues to be addressed at each meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity during the period 2023–2030

| <i>Meeting of the Conference of the Parties</i> | <i>Strategic issues</i> |
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| Seventeenth (2026) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Global analysis of information in national biodiversity strategies and action plans, including national targets, to assess the contribution towards implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework; (b) Global review of the implementation of the Framework and related means of implementation based on, inter alia, the seventh national reports;^a (c) Review of the implementation of the monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework;^b (d) Strategic actions to enhance the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Framework, including in relation to means of implementation; (e) Further work on tools and guidance related to mainstreaming biodiversity;^c (f) Implications for the work of the Convention of the deliverables of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Thematic assessment of the interlinkages among biodiversity, water, food and health (“nexus assessment”); (ii) Thematic assessment of the underlying causes of biodiversity loss, determinants of transformative change and options for achieving the 2050 vision for biodiversity; (iii) Methodological assessment of the impact and dependence of business on biodiversity and nature’s contributions to people; [(g) Tools and guidance to support the implementation of the Framework:^d <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning; (ii) Pollution and biodiversity; (iii) Sustainable biodiversity-based activities, products and services that enhance biodiversity; (iv) Equity, gender equality and the human rights-based approach relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity;] (h) Fair and sustainable resource use and consumption patterns; (i) Relationship between biodiversity and sustainable livelihoods; |

| <i>Meeting of the Conference of the Parties</i> | <i>Strategic issues</i> |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (j) Review and updates of the programmes of work, with a focus on their alignment with the Framework; (k) Placeholder for follow-up, as needed, on the multilateral mechanism for benefit-sharing from the use of digital sequence information on genetic resources; (l) [<i>Other items to be determined</i>]. |
| Eighteenth (2028) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Review of the implementation of the Framework and related means of implementation,^e including a global analysis of information in national biodiversity strategies and action plans, including national targets, to assess the contribution towards the implementation of the Framework; (b) Strategic actions to enhance the implementation of the Convention and the Framework, including in relation to means of implementation; (c) Review of the operations, performance and outcomes of the Global Biodiversity Framework Fund and future arrangements;^f (d) Four-year outcome-oriented framework of programme priorities and assessment of funding needs to inform the tenth replenishment of the Global Environment Facility Trust Fund (2030–2034); (e) Review of the effectiveness of the financial mechanism;^d (f) Implications for the work of the Convention of the deliverables of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature’s contributions to people; (ii) Methodological assessment of integrated biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning and ecological connectivity; (g) Considerations for a follow-up to the Framework, including a review of the effectiveness of measures to implement its goals and targets in line with the principles and objectives of the Convention; (h) Review and updates of the programmes of work, with a focus on their alignments with the Framework; (i) [<i>Other items to be determined</i>]. |
| Nineteenth (2030) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Global analysis of information in national biodiversity strategies and action plans, including national targets, to assess the contribution towards the Framework; (b) Global review of the implementation of the Framework and related means of implementation: final assessment of progress towards achieving the targets of the Framework based on, inter alia, the eighth national reports;^g (c) Strategic actions to enhance the implementation of the Convention and the Framework, including in relation to means of implementation; (d) Implications for the work of the Convention of the deliverables of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, including its second global assessment of biodiversity and ecosystem services; (e) Update of and follow-up to the Framework and follow-up to the Gender Plan of Action (2023–2030) and the strategy for resource mobilization; (f) [<i>Other items to be determined</i>]. |

^a Conducted in conjunction with the review of the strategy for resource mobilization (decision [15/7](#), para. 46), the midterm review of the implementation of the Gender Plan of Action (2023–2030) (decision [15/11](#), para. 9), the review of the technical and scientific cooperation mechanism (decision [15/8](#), para. 32 (j)) and the review of the role of subnational governments, cities and

other local authorities in the implementation of the objectives of the Convention and its Protocols and the Framework (decision [15/12](#), para. 7).

b Decision 15/5, annex I.

c Pending a decision by the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting.

d Pending a decision by the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting.

e Conducted in conjunction with the further review of the strategy for resource mobilization (decision [15/7](#), para. 46).

f Decision [15/15](#), para. 29.

g Conducted in conjunction with the evaluation of the long-term strategic framework for capacity-building and development (decision [15/8](#), para. 16 (i)) and other mechanisms adopted by the Conference of the Parties to support the means of implementation.]
