



Status and progress on the CBD Plan of Action of Sub-national Governments, Cities and other Local Authorities

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CBD – 192 national governments and the EU

Wide scope of themes, issues and partnerships

COP 10/Nagoya (2011-2020 Strategic Plan and 20 Aichi targets, Resource Mobilization Plan, ABS, Liability/redress): what does that mean at sub-national level?

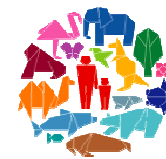
No chance without sub-national implementation (various levels of government): cities and Prefectures/States are government also!! - decision X/22 and the Plan of Action

Other MEAs: Climate, Ramsar, MAB/Biosphere Reserves

Deeper change in sight? IUCN, Rio + 20



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Challenges in sub-national implementation of the CBD

- Implementation by Parties & sovereignty
- diversity of sub-national governance arrangements (centralization, legal status, mandates)
- funding – how to finance cooperation and capacity building of
 - 1 million Local Governments
 - 3-5,000 States/Provinces/Prefectures/Regions



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What Parties are doing:

- Laws and legal norms (UK, Japan)
- Tax reallocation/incentives for conservation (Brazil)
- Guidelines and training for sub-national BSAPs (South Africa, Mexico, Brazil)
- Compilation/dissemination of best practices (Canada, France, Japan)
- Support to networks (Spain, 5 Nordic countries, Germany, Japan, Austria)
- Awards (EU for France, Spain, Hungary, Slovakia, Germany)
- Monitoring and evaluation – Singapore Index on Cities' Biodiversity
- Awareness raising (Japan, Germany)



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Other activities:

- **Global Partnership on Sub-national and Local Action on Biodiversity**
- **Meetings of the Advisory Committees (SNGs to start in Curitiba/April)**
- **Global meetings parallel to COPs: Mayor's Conference, City Biodiversity Summit**
- **CBO 1**
- **URBIO**
- **Guidelines on developing sub-national/local strategies and action plans**
- **Valuation of ecosystem services (TEEB) and Natural Capital**
- **Regional networks? Montpellier/MEDIVERCITIES, Amazon, Mercosur, ASEAN, Pacific, Caribbean?**



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