

## AGENDA ITEM 5 - CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE CBD TO IPBES INTERSESSIONAL

Thank you, Chair,

### BRAZIL FULLY SUPPORTS A CLOSE COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE CBD AND THE IPBES.

As for the possible elements to be considered in the IPBES work programme, Brazil agrees with the issues raised by the Secretariat in document 17\4, paragraph 22.

Nonetheless, the suggestions of priority issues contained in paragraphs 24, 26, 28 and 30 must be carefully reviewed and streamlined.

In our view, some of the language in the suggested priorities does not match the carefully negotiated wording on the corresponding COP and COP-MOP decisions. Other activities suggested are already being addressed by other organizations, such as the IPCC and the FAO, particularly the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. In such cases, there should be close cooperation between CBD, IPBES and other Organizations involved, in order to avoid duplication.

Considering that IPBES will serve not only to CBD, but also to other biodiversity-related conventions, we suggest a pragmatic approach to reduce the list of possible elements to be considered by IPBES.

Regarding the possible future thematic assessments, on para 24, Brazil believes subitems a) and d) should be prioritized.

As for possible areas for capacity-building activities, on para. 26, in our view, subitems b) and d) should be highlighted as priorities.

With regard to possible areas for the development of policy support tools, on para. 28, subitems c), d) and f) should be, in our view, prioritized.

As for possible areas for knowledge generation, on para. 30, considering the mandate of IPBES, we believe that subitems b), g)

and h) should be considered as priorities. Subitem a) should NOT be considered a priority for CBD in a short term period, considering the mandate of UNFCCC and the work of IPCC on the issue of mitigation and adaptation to climate change. Subitems c) and f) are already being addressed by FAO.

Finally, Mr, Chair, regarding the links of future editions of the global biodiversity outlook to IPBES, Brazil may consider the possibility of having the global assessment as a key information source for the preparation of GBO-5, which would remain a distinct product prepared primarily by and for the CBD. Such a decision depends, of course, on the future scope of the IPBES work, this option should remain open to future consideration by the Parties.

Thank you, Chair