

Ref.: SCBD/SSSF/JL/ML/BB/GD/91319

6 November 2023

## NOTIFICATION

Open-ended Online Forum: Long-term approach on mainstreaming and associated Action Plan

Dear Sir or Madam,

In decision <u>15/17</u> on the Long-term strategic approach to mainstreaming biodiversity within and across sectors, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity requested the Executive Secretary to organize an Open-ended online forum through the clearing-house mechanism, to facilitate further views on the reports and outcomes of the:

- 1. Informal Advisory Group on Mainstreaming of Biodiversity, as reflected in the <u>progress report</u> of the Executive Secretary to the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its third meeting, as well as the new submissions as compiled in documents CBD/COP/15/INF/10, INF 11 and INF12; and
- 2. Draft long-term approach and associated action plan and to identify ways forward to support implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

I am pleased to invite Parties, other Governments, international organizations and relevant stakeholders to participate in the Open-ended Online Forum on Long-term approach on mainstreaming and associated Action Plan.

The CBD Secretariat will organize an **introductory webinar** on Tuesday, **12 December 2023, at 8:00 a.m. EST,** through the Zoom platform. In order to participate, please register in advance through the following registration link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/mr3asb7p">https://tinyurl.com/mr3asb7p</a>.

Please note that, in order to take part in the **online forum**, it may be necessary to first create an account on the clearing-house mechanism (if you do not already have one), by using the following link: <a href="https://accounts.cbd.int/">https://accounts.cbd.int/</a>.

The Open-ended Online Forum will be accessible at <a href="https://www.cbd.int/mainstreaming/LTAM/">https://www.cbd.int/mainstreaming/LTAM/</a> and open for comments **from 12 to 22 December 2023.** Please post your comments in the most appropriate thread within that time frame.

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of the aforementioned decision, the information and the views submitted, including on an interim process, will be compiled in a report that will be submitted for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its fourth meeting, to be held in May next year.

I thank you for your cooperation and continued support to the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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

(Signed) David Cooper Acting Executive Secretary

To: CBD national focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities, relevant initiatives and stakeholders

cc: Cartagena Protocol focal points, ABS focal points







