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N O T I F I C A T I O N Webinar to jointly launch the FAO Biodiversity Knowledge Hub on the occasion of the first anniversary of the adoption of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework – 19 December 2023

Dear Sir or Madam,

Reference is made to notification <u>2023-120</u>, inviting the submission of views and information on existing tools and guidance that can support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

In line with the request outlined in the above-noted notification, and in celebration of the first anniversary of the adoption of the <u>Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework</u>, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations will launch the FAO Biodiversity Knowledge Hub on 19 December 2023 through an online webinar, jointly convened by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and FAO.

The FAO Biodiversity Knowledge Hub will support Parties and stakeholders to access and use existing knowledge tools, guidance and other resources on biodiversity developed under FAO, including to support the implementation of the Framework and building on the experience of the agrifood sectors in the sustainable use, conservation and restoration of biodiversity.

In this context, this webinar aims to:

- launch the FAO Biodiversity Knowledge Hub as an initiative to meet the scientific and technical needs of countries by facilitating their access and use of existing FAO knowledge and resources on biodiversity in the agrifood sectors that can support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework; and
- raise awareness of the importance of enhancing synergies and cooperation among relevant multilateral environmental agreements and intergovernmental organizations, such as FAO, to support the national implementation of the Framework.

This webinar will be a public online event with interpretation in the six official UN languages, targeting both FAO Members and CBD Parties, as well as an external audience of policymakers and actors across the environmental and agrifood sectors.

The webinar will be held on 19 December 2023 from 15:00 to 16:00 CET/9:00 to 10:00 EST, via zoom. Please use the following link to register:

https://fao.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_UW9t6fBURX-3xDRVFppmrA

Further information, including relevant documents, will be made available on the webinar webpage at: <u>https://www.cbd.int/meetings/GBF-OM-2023-01</u>.

I look forward to your active participation in this webinar.

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

(*Signed*) David **Cooper** Acting Executive Secretary

To: CBD national focal points, SBSTTA focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points, ABS focal points, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations







