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# RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED BY THE SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE

**23/7. New and emerging issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity**

*The Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice*

1. *Takes note* of the proposals for new and emerging issues summarized in the note by the Executive Secretary on new and emerging issues;[[1]](#footnote-2)

2. *Decides* to defer consideration of the submission that synthetic biology should be classified as a new and emerging issue to its twenty-fourth meeting, considering the advice provided by the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Synthetic Biology;

3. *Recommends* that, pending the outcome of the twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice on the subject of synthetic biology,[[2]](#footnote-3) the Conference of the Parties decide not to add to the agenda of the Subsidiary Body in the coming biennium a new and emerging issue, pursuant to the procedure established through decision IX/29.

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1. CBD/SBSTTA/23/8. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. Consequential changes may need to be made accordingly on the final draft decision for the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)