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Dear Mr. De Souza Dias,

In response to the notification of 21 January 2013 on “Identification of scientific and technical needs related to the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and its Aichi Targets”, IUCN- The International Union for Conservation of Nature, is pleased to present to you the attached table including a good number of IUCN policy tools and methodologies as well as reports that inform policy positions. These have been developed by our Thematic and Regional Programmes and Commissions over the last years and support the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity and its Aichi Targets. We trust these important knowledge tools will further contribute to guiding Parties to the Convention in achieving the Goals under the Plan.

The table is organized listing each tool or methodology, contains its description, specifying to which Target(s) or Goal(s) it contributes to, and identifying the specific leading units in IUCN that developed it. When a URL is available, that is also included for ease of reference. Some tools are in the process of being developed, including some of IUCN’s so called flagship knowledge products, but nevertheless we considered important to list them here.

We hope this information is useful to the Secretariat and to the Parties to the Convention. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require further information or clarification on the attached.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jane Smart', written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Jane Smart
Global Director
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