



Convention on  
Biological Diversity

A woman wearing a red and green striped hijab and a patterned top is smiling and holding a blue flower in a field of similar flowers. The background is a soft-focus field of green foliage and blue flowers.

# Sharm El-Sheikh to Kunming Action Agenda for Nature and People

Reversing Biodiversity Loss and Promoting Positive Gains to  
2030



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You are invited to join a global movement of people, across institutions and sectors, committed to accelerate progress on globally agreed biodiversity goals and to meet at least one of the 3 objectives of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)

The commitments are to:

1. Build on efforts from non-state actors and other stakeholders in support of the post-2020 biodiversity framework
2. Reverse biodiversity loss and restore nature at global, regional and local levels
3. Raise awareness of the urgency and ambition for actions to shift the course to positive biodiversity gains
4. Rebuild our human-nature relationship

The intent is for commitments to:

1. Be profiled on the CBD's website, social media channels and at official meetings
2. Inspire further actions in the lead up to the Subsidiary Bodies of the Convention and the UN Biodiversity Conference (COP 15, COP-MOP 10 and COP-MOP 4)

More information is under the background section below.

# 179 Commitments

[Search and/or read more about the pledges on food systems and health; freshwater, coastal and ocean ecosystems; conservation and restoration of land ecosystem; climate change mitigation and adaptation; conservation and sustainable use of species; sustainable consumption and production; stewardship; urban sustainability; green finance; biosafety; and access to benefit-sharing](#)

Pledges are available here



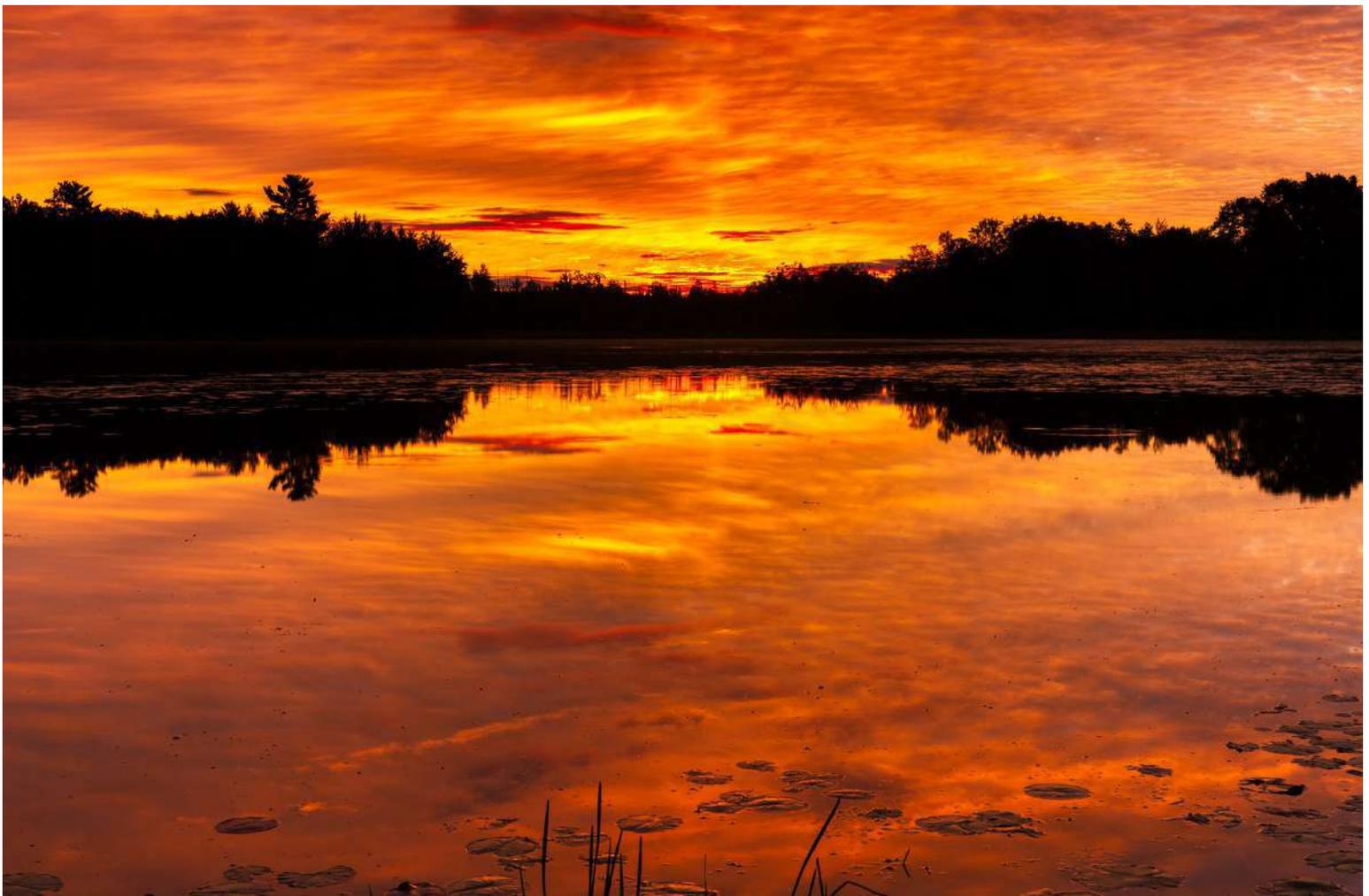
## Food systems and health

### Explore pledges

The Plant Resource Center/Vietnam/Asia, will develop research on plant genetic resources for conservation and use for food and agriculture, and relevant areas by designing and implementing plans, programmes, projects, including goals, actions, evaluation and relevant indicators on plant genetic resources conservation and social/environmental and economic issues.

Egyptian Ministry of Health and Population/**Middle East**, is committed to integrating approaches entitled “One Health” to mainstream biodiversity in health sectors and relevant capacity development to identify risks and opportunities, including making links to human health, the health of other species, the health of ecosystems to address common challenges faced by the national health and environmental communities. The commitment has a number of actions and measures to 2030.

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Freshwater, coastal and ocean ecosystems

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NET Africa (Natural Environment Technology in Africa) with the Global Water Partnership are currently developing Citizen Science Apps within the River Nile Basin to engage citizens regarding the environment across Africa, in particular regarding wetlands management.

Naturgy/Spain/**Europe**, private sector organization, has two key commitments, including developed Europe's first

artificial lake, Lake Meirama from an old lignite mine to be used as a water reserve for 400,000 people.

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## Conservation and restoration of land ecosystems

### Explore pledges

Beeodiversity/**Europe** will continue to monitor biodiversity and pollution with bees that intervene as drones of the environment (Beeomonitoring), a **European** project as an innovative tool scientific based to assess ecosystems and make use of scientific indicators.

Magház Community Network for Agricultural Diversity/**Hungary/Central and Eastern Europe**, is focusing on spreading local plant varieties and endangered

crops for the public (e.g. hobby-gardeners, farmers, children) by distributing at least 2000 packages of seeds, of more than 60 cultivars, on seed-swaps in Hungary in 2021 through 6 "seed-hubs".

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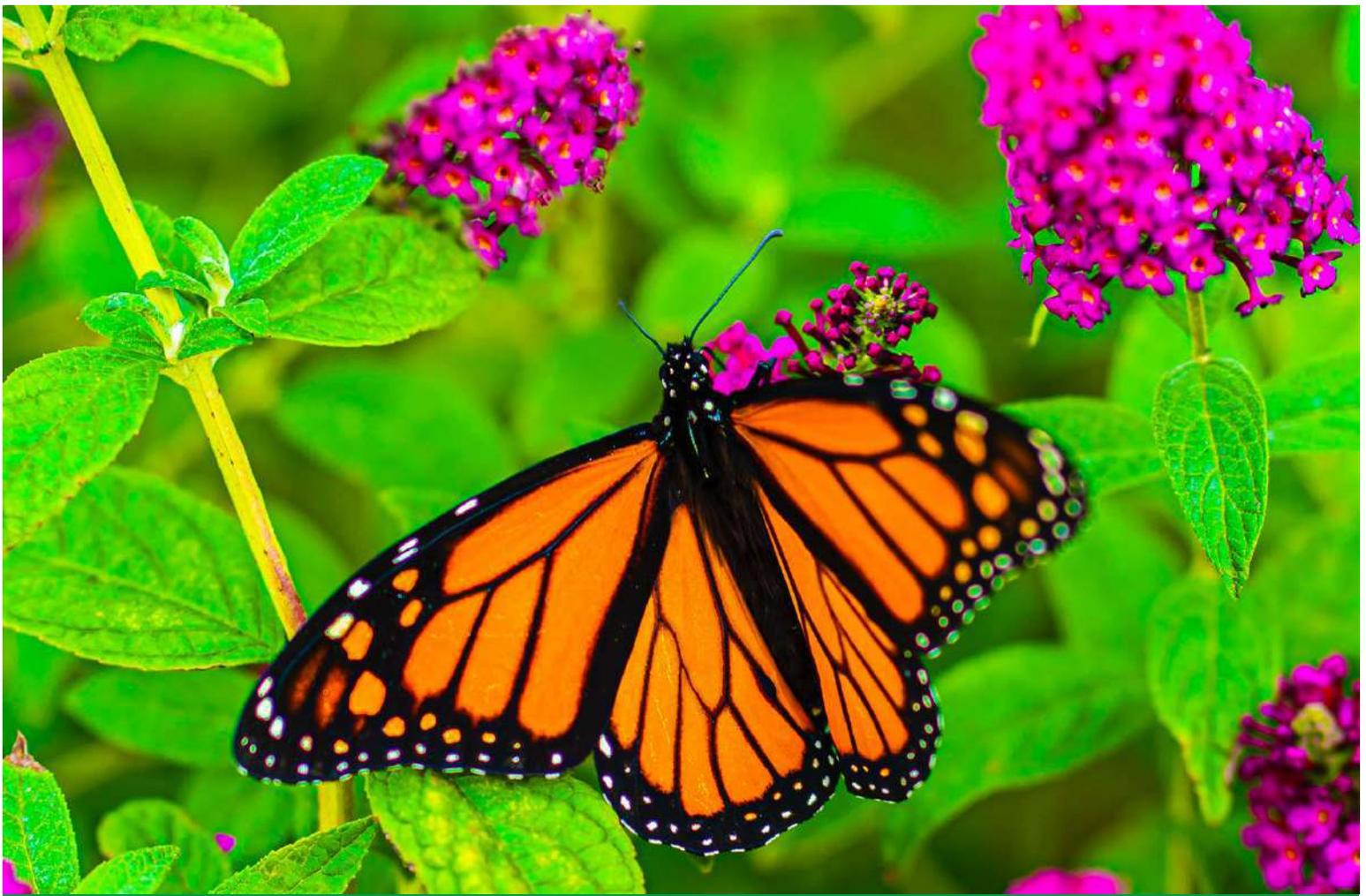


## Climate change mitigation and adaptation

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National Commission for the Knowledge and Use of Biodiversity/Mexico/**Latin America**, has committed to measure the connectivity of protected areas in Mexico and Colombia, including the contribution to mitigate the loss of biodiversity to reduce impacts on land use, vegetal cover and climate change.

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## Conservation and sustainable use of species

### Explore pledges

The China Biodiversity Conservation and Green Development Foundation (CBGDF) has committed to protect the Tiaozini wetland to, among others, safeguard migratory birds through sanctuaries, including the endangered spoon-billed sandpiper, as the wetland is part of the World Natural Heritage Nomination List application of the IUCN. CBGDF is also committed to protect the relic gulls as an endangered migratory bird by establishing a volunteer based program entitled: Community Conservation Area for Relic Gulls at Tianjin (CCAfa).

The Algeria Bat Group/**North Africa**, a non-governmental organization, will enhance the services bats has to humans through regulating harmful insects to agriculture and public health as well as their economic benefits of the guano they produce, an organic fertilizer and contribution to pollination of many useful plant species. The Group will also enhance studies of bats immune system that informs us of the emergence of diseases. In doing so, the Group will raise awareness to different ministries (e.g. the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry to Environment and the Ministry of Health) and local communities in workshops to promote the manufacturing and installment of perches for bats in towns and villages from 2021 to 2023.

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## Sustainable consumption and production

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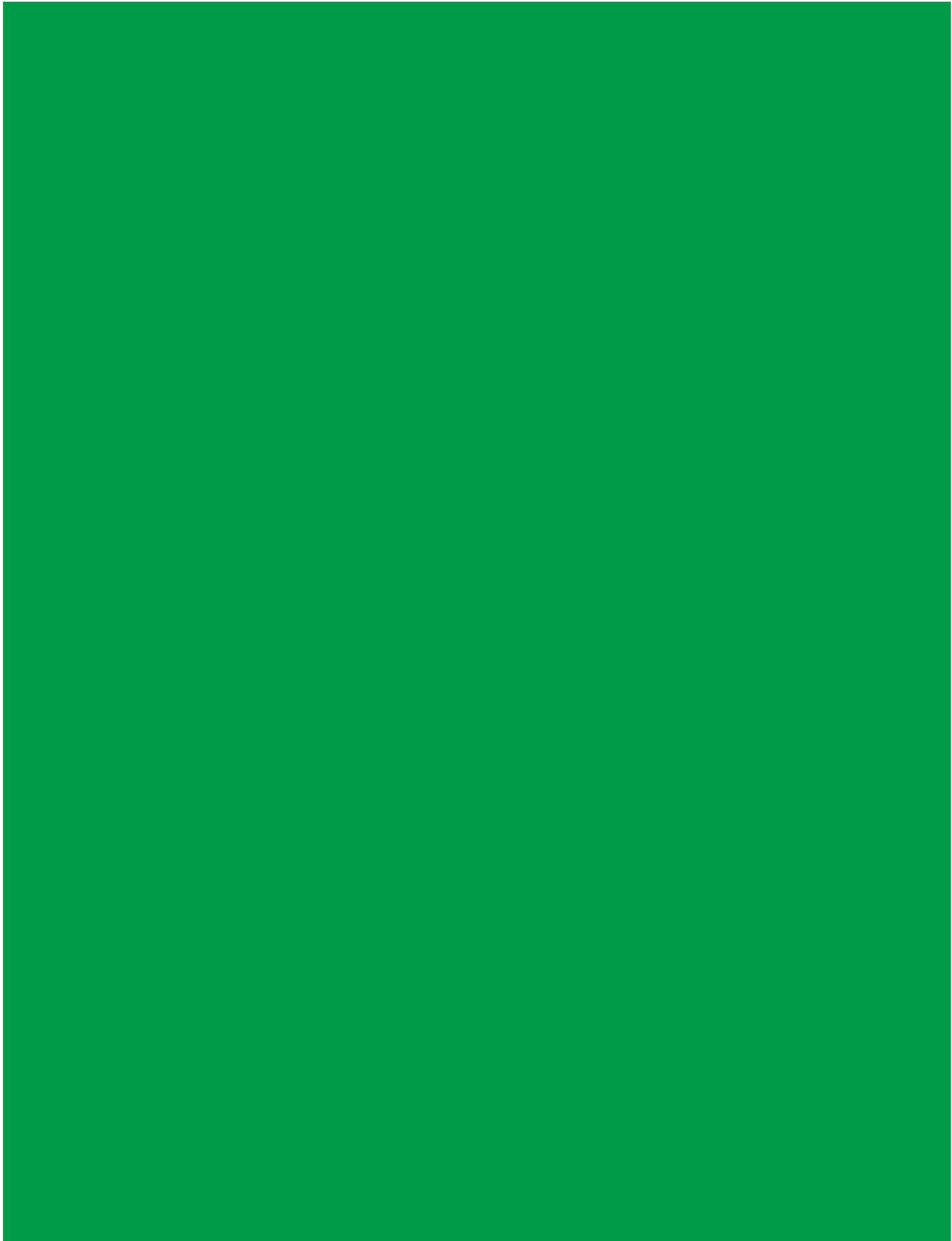
The International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association (IPIECA) is developing good-practice guidance on the implementation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework for the oil and gas industry, including supporting nature-based solutions and mainstreaming biodiversity into the relevant sectors.

Act4nature is an initiative launched by Entreprises pour l'Environnement, 40 French and international large

companies from all sectors of the economy, and 20 partners, with the aim of mobilizing 75 companies to protect, promote and restore biodiversity, including to set up global development strategies in businesses to achieve the Aichi Biodiversity Targets through a pledge to undertake 10 common commitments and individual commitments.

The Brazilian Business Commitment for Biodiversity/**Latin America**, pledged to highlight the importance of biodiversity and ecosystem services with actions from 14 companies, and the fundamental role biodiversity plays in sustainable consumption and production patterns. The actions will be reached by 2030 and aligned with the national and global strategic plans, to refrain the loss of biodiversity at a global scale.

Kering Company/**Europe and Global**, has committed to have a net positive impact on biodiversity by 2025, by regenerating and protecting 1 million hectares of farms and rangelands in our supply chain landscapes to regenerate the agriculture sector through a Nature Fund focusing on the materials produced (e.g. leather, cotton, cashmere and wool). Kering will also by 2025, Kering, in collaboration with UN REDD+ and other programs, will also protect 1 million hectares of critical, 'irreplaceable' habitat outside of our supply chain to protect biodiversity, promote climate change and improve local communities' livelihoods.





## Stewardship

### Explore pledges

Hyper Luminal Games, in collaboration with the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh (RBGE)/**Europe** developed CALEDON – a game to enthuse and educate youth between 11-15 of plant health scientists through the Scotland’s Curriculum.

The India Water Foundation/**Asia** has pledged to focus on an initiative entitled “Putting People First” by promoting capacity building through raising awareness of biodiversity

conservation (e.g. water, environment and climate change adaptation, managing water resources) and engaging indigenous peoples and local communities in different Indian states (e.g. Meghalaya, Sikkim, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand) to, among others, improve livelihoods, strengthen entrepreneurship culture and foster community resilience.

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## Urban sustainability

### Explore pledges

The City of Montreal, Canada, **North America**, with ICLEI-Cities Biodiversity Center, CitiesWithNature and the SCBD, developed six briefing sheets on concrete biodiversity initiatives (e.g. ecosystems management in large parks, conservation of wildlife trees, renewed and improved wildlife observatories, urban wildlife passages, environmental action days and coexistence with coyotes) with an initiative in each sheet that promotes biodiversity, provides advice to help replicate the initiative in other cities, and specifies which 2030 action targets from the

zero draft of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework are addressed by the initiative. The briefing sheets were launched on World Environment Day in 2020 to exchange expertise between cities and develop a community of practice at the local level in order to inspire urban communities to action and accelerate the international movement to create green cities all over the world.

National Society of Conservationists, a member of the Friends of the Earth International and other international environmental NGOs/Hungary, **Easter Europe**, aims to promote protected areas of the capital city, Budapest, this year by holding presentations and developing books to be made available, among others, in the areas.

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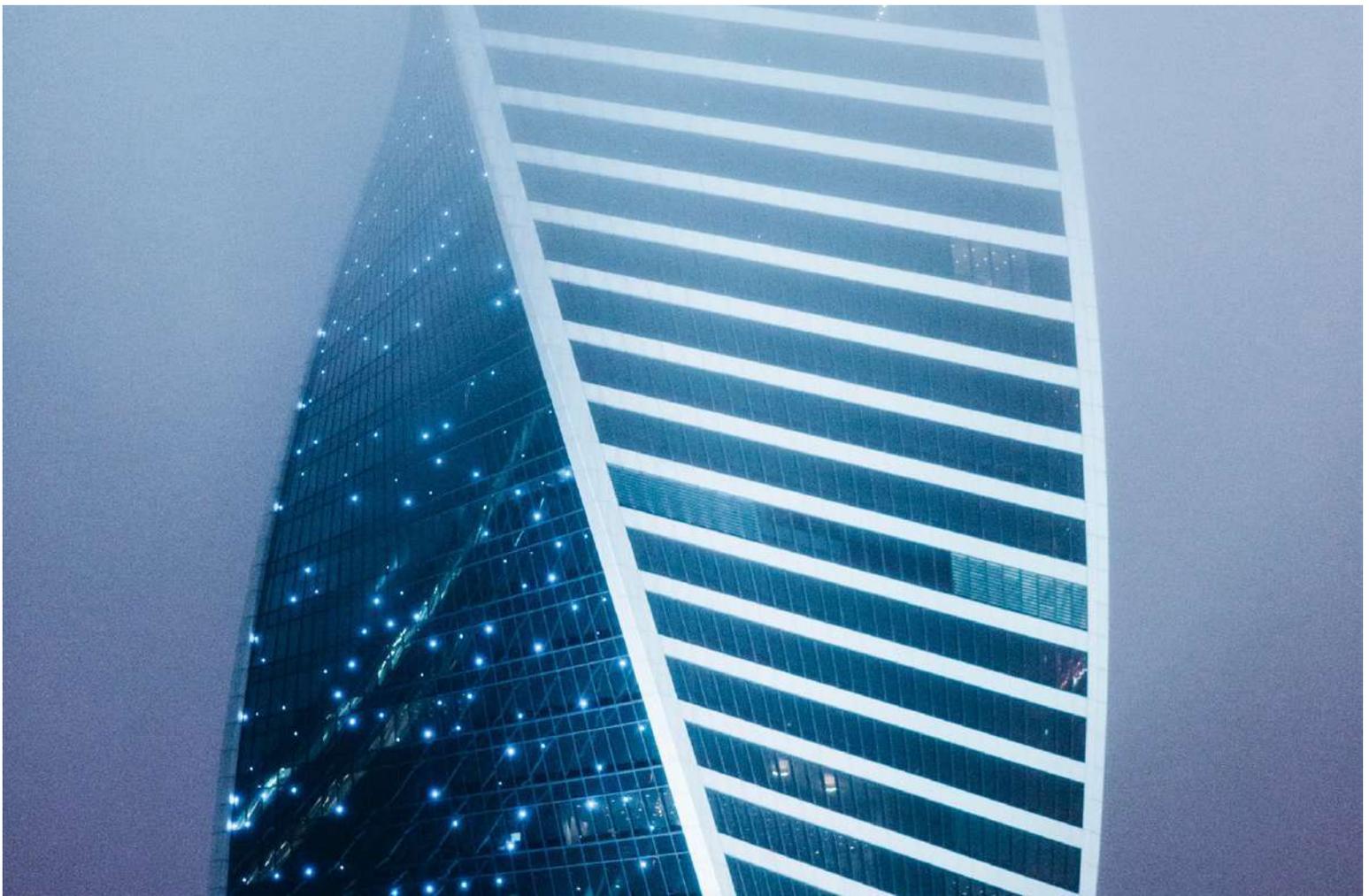


## Green Finance

### Explore a pledge

A Global Fund for Coral Reefs/**Global** was launched in 2020 to mobilize public and private resources to support developing countries meet their commitments under the new post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework. The target is to mobilize at least USD \$ 500 million by 2030. The Global Fund will offer critical risk equity capital and grant funding to deliver on exciting projects that offer solutions to climate change related to coral reefs and people who rely on them for food, livelihoods, and coastal protection.

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## Biosafety

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Every Woman Hope Centre (EWHC)/**Sub-Saharan Africa** has committed to mobilize strategic plans and actions, setting up a webinar and promoting curriculum with biosafety-related components based on the Implementation Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. The three main actions include: By 2022, there shall be increased awareness among policy makers, professionals, private sectors and the general public by developing and implementing educational awareness programs on biosafety and biodiversity issues for food

security, improved health systems and sustainability; by 2023 increased involvement of the indigenous and local communities, women and youth in biodiversity management; By 2024 significant improvement of public understanding and stewardship according to the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and the Implementation Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.

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## [Access and Benefit-Sharing](#)

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The Rights of Mother Earth/**Global**, in collaboration with 50 organizations and 5 partners, aim to collect 1 million signatures for the United Nations (UN) to adopt a UN Declaration of Rights of Mother Earth to complement the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by 2022, among others, to promote access to benefit sharing.

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Some pledges are for multiple countries and some address multiple actors

## Pledges by Region

# BACKGROUND

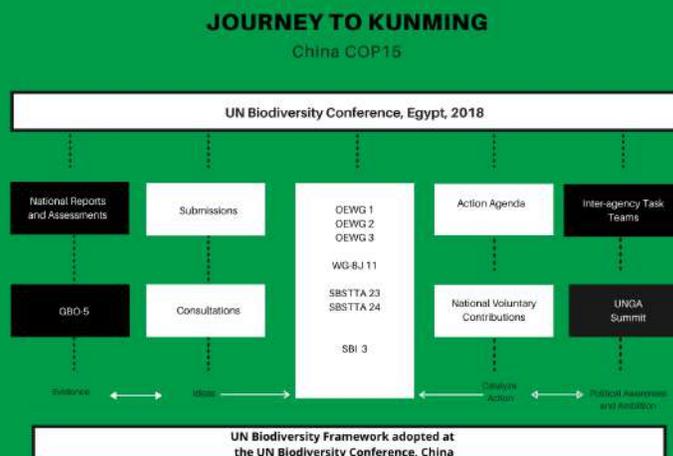
Launched in November 2018 by the Governments of Egypt and China supported by the Secretariat of the CBD

The Action Agenda aims to turn pledges into measurable actions that support and complement the efforts of Governments in implementing the Aichi Biodiversity

## Targets, the Sustainable Development Goals and the upcoming Global Biodiversity Framework

The Conference of the Parties in decision XIV/34, “encourage indigenous peoples and local communities and all relevant organizations and stakeholders including the private sector to consider developing, prior to the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, biodiversity commitments that may contribute to an effective post-2020 global biodiversity framework and to make such information available as a contribution to the Sharm El-Sheikh to Kunming Action Agenda for Nature and People”.

### Roadmap to UN Biodiversity Conference



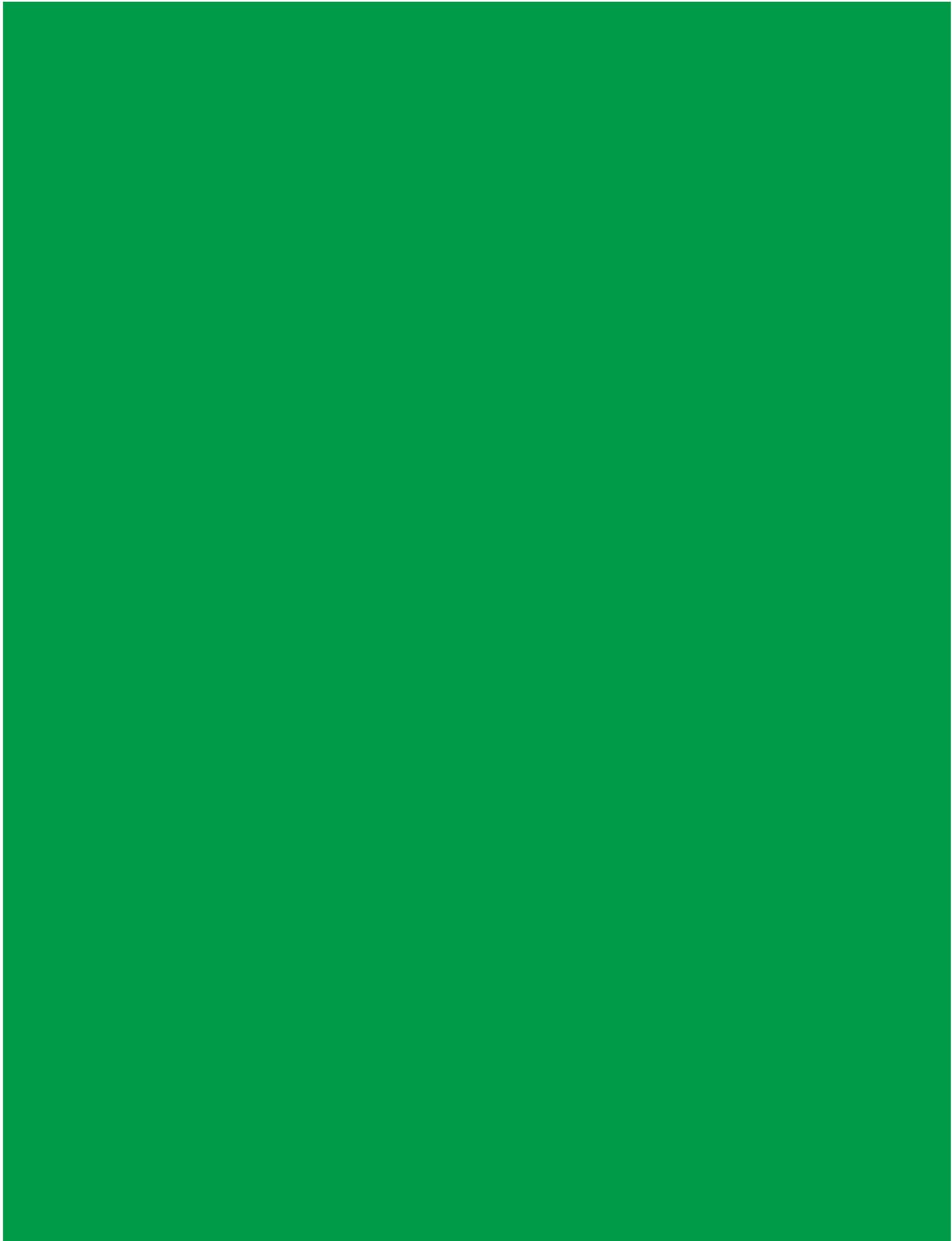
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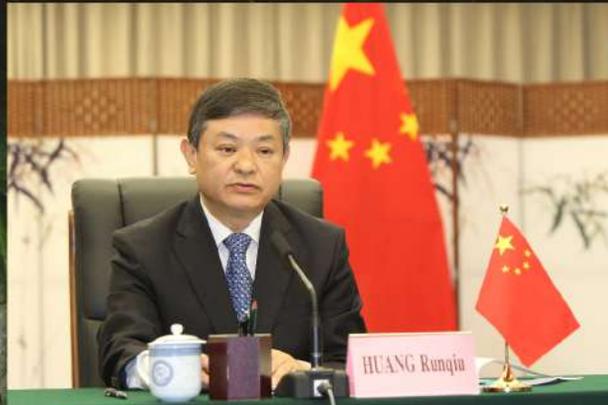


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"As one global community, let's set the scene for action that will allow us to build back better, and take the actions needed for a sustainable future"

Ms. Elizabeth Maruma Mrema, Executive Secretary of the CBD





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"With the Action Agenda, Egypt is passing on the baton of conservation to China, which ushers in the new era of ecological civilization: building a shared future for all life on Earth. It is our hope that the Action Agenda can inspire all Parties and stakeholders to take part in CBD COP 15, make contributions to the development and implementation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and create win-win results through collaboration. It is also our hope that all people, regardless of race, gender, age, background and identity can contribute the best of their abilities to protect biodiversity..."

His Excellency Mr. Huang Runqiu, Minister of Ecology and Environment  
of the People's Republic of China



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"We need to work with people and groups of people from all sectors and all backgrounds and invite them to make their own commitments"

Her Excellency Ms. Yasmine Fouad, Minister of Environment of the Arab Republic of Egypt and President of the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 14) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)

# NEWS AND UPDATES

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## Action Agenda Newsletter

### Notifications:

[Stepping up ambition towards the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework: Call for commitments and actions through the Sharm El-Sheikh to Kunming Action Agenda for Nature and People](#)

### Events:

[World Biodiversity Forum 2021 - 6 Action Dialogues in  
May/June](#)

[Recorded version of the UNEA 5 side event on the Action  
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[UN Biodiversity Summit](#)

[Nature Hub](#)

[Call for Action and Commitments from Multi-  
stakeholders: Voices For Nature](#)

[Call for Action from Youth: Life in Harmony with Nature –  
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