**Guidelines and template for the review of the draft monitoring framework for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework**

## Background

1. The second meeting of the Open-ended Working Group[[1]](#footnote-1) on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework invited the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its twenty-fourth meeting to, among other things, carry out a scientific and technical review of the updated goals and targets, and related indicators and baselines, of the draft global biodiversity framework. Under agenda item 3 the Subsidiary Body will consider this issue.
2. Tables 1 and 2, presents a draft monitoring framework for the 2050 Goals and the 2030 targets respectively. These tables are being made available for the purposes of peer review. In both tables’ interim formulations of the proposed 2050 goals and milestones and the 2030 targets are provided for context. Review comments are not being sought on these parts of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework at this time. Column A of the tables provides draft components of the goals and targets. Columns B and C of the tables provide draft monitoring elements and indicators to be used at the global level to monitor progress in the implementation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. Further column D provides information on the period baseline data is available for the indicator and on the frequency that the indicator is updated where known. Review comments are being sought on columns A, B, C and D only.

## II. Submitting Comments

1. To ensure that your comments are given due consideration, please send them by e-mail to [secretariat@cbd.int](mailto:secretariat@cbd.int), at your earliest convenience but **no later than 25 July 2020**
2. When submitting comments, please adhere to the following guidelines as much as possible:
   1. Please provide all comments in writing and in an MS Word or similar document format using the table provided below.
   2. Please provide full contact information for the individual/Government/organization submitting the comments.
   3. Please avoid commenting on issues related to grammar, spelling, or punctuation, unless it affects the overall meaning of the text, as the document will be edited as the final draft is prepared.
   4. To facilitate the revision process please be as specific as possible in your comments. In areas where you feel additional or alternative text or information is required, please suggest, if possible, what this text may look like or what should be included.
   5. If you refer to additional sources of information, please include these with your comments when possible or provide a complete reference or hyperlink.
   6. Please focus your comments on columns A (components the draft goals and targets), B (monitoring elements), C (indicators) and D (indicator baseline year and frequency of updates) of tables 1 and 2.
   7. If you are suggestion the inclusion of additional indicators please provide information on if the indicator is currently operational, the organization supporting its development, its baseline (i.e. the year data is first available) and how frequently the indicator is updated (i.e. monthly, yearly, every two years etc.).
   8. All review comments will be posted on the webpage[[2]](#footnote-2) for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework in the interests of transparency
3. Should you have any questions regarding the review process, please contact [secretariat@cbd.int](mailto:secretariat@cbd.int).

***III. Template for Comments***

1. Please use the review template below when providing comments.
2. The complete draft of the monitoring framework has been released in a portable document format (PDF). For tables 1, 2 and 3 column letters and row numbers have been provided as well as page numbers. Please use these as a reference as illustrated in the table below. General comments can be included in the table by referring to Page 0 and Line 0.

**TEMPLATE FOR COMMENTS**

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| 2 | 16 | A | 97-99 | We propose to explain more on monitoring elements and corresponding indicators, focusing on certain types of habitats that make specific contributions |
| 2 | 19 | C | 110 | Proposal to extend red list index to all marine mammals |
| 2 | 12 | C | 56 | We propose to include bycatch related monitoring specially the bychath by trawling and dynamite fishing |
| 2 | 33 | B | 208 | We propose to add qualitative monitoring element as well |
| 1 | 5 | C | 56 | The indicators for mangroves, seagrass and saltmarshes under Goal A could all be used here too, to represent the contribution of blue carbon to climate regulation,  Other terrestrial indicators e.g soil carbon could also be included. |
| 2 | 11 | C | 40 | We propose to add indicator for marine sites as well (e.g. see comment above re: tracking trends in PA or OECM coverage of EBSAs). |
| 2 | 12 | C | 59 | We propose to add a bycatch as it is part of un-sustainable harvest. |
| 2 | 18 | C | 105-109 | We propose that "Sustainable fisheries management" must incorporate "ecosystem-based fisheries management". This will help insure benefits to communities from other avenues besides harvesting such as tourism or recreation. |
| 2 | 33-34 | C | 208-2010 | We propose to add “*forestry and fisheries*”. |
| 1 | 3 | C | 34-35 | We propose the following indicators for consideration:  - Fisheries Management Effectiveness (Ocean Health Index)  - Number of fisheries with precautionary science-based management plans  - Changes in the ecological health and stock abundance of fisheries  -Number of fisheries where full harvest strategies have been adopted, implemented, or are in development.  -Number of fisheries with sufficient observer coverage systems to address illegal and/or unsustainable harvest and to correctly estimate bycatch rates.  -Number of fisheries where management is based on formal stock assessments |
| 1 | 5 | C | 56 | We propose adding the following indicator:  “Number of certified blue carbon ecosystems areas, such as mangroves, seagrasses, etc., under sustainable management with verified impacts on carbon sequestration/storage.” as an additional indicator here. |
| 2 | 12 | C | 51 | We recommend adding the following to the indicators measuring increased protection and conservation effectiveness (esp. as it relates to OUTCOMES):   * [Applying IUCN’s Global Conservation Standards to MPAs](https://www.iucn.org/sites/dev/files/content/documents/applying_mpa_global_standards_v120218_nk_v2.pdf)[MPA Guide: Shared Vision to Describe MPAs and the Conservation Outcomes They Provide](http://www.wcmc.io/MPA_Guide_EN) * [IUCN Guidelines on recognising and reporting other effective area-based conservation measures](https://portals.iucn.org/library/sites/library/files/documents/PATRS-003-En.pdf)   These indicators may also be appropriate under T2.4 |

*Comments should be sent by e-mail to* [*secretariat@cbd.int*](mailto:secretariat@cbd.int)***no later than 25 July 2020****.*

1. [CBD/WG2020/REC/2/1](https://www.cbd.int/doc/recommendations/wg2020-02/wg2020-02-rec-01-en.pdf) [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. <https://www.cbd.int/conferences/post2020> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)