**Template for the review of the document on linkages between the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and the 2030 agenda for sustainable development**

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| 18 | Target 16 | The analysis for Target 16 notes that the “GBF should reflect the need for sharing of information on biotechnology and its negative impacts for biodiversity, as well as promote international cooperation to achieve and monitor this goal.” We question why this focuses exclusively on “negative impacts”. There is a need to share information and promote international cooperation on environmentally sound technologies in term of both positive and negative impacts. Target 17.6 of the SDGs references the need to enhance regional and international cooperation on and access to science, technology and innovation and enhance knowledge-sharing on mutually agreed terms. This recognizes the value in sharing information that is positive and that would support efforts to reach the SDGs. The GBF should consider this approach in Target 16 and not focus exclusively on the “negative impacts” for biodiversity, none of which have been identified to date.  |
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