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

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#### **Scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework**

### **Matters related to the work programme of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services\*\***

Note by the Secretariat

## **I. Introduction**

1. In decision 15/19, the Conference of the Parties adopted a decision on the programme of work of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services. In that decision the Conference of the Parties, among other things, welcomed the rolling work programme of the Platform up to 2030 and the approval of a number of recent assessment reports by the Plenary of the Platform and invited the Platform to consider requests regarding a second Global Assessment on biodiversity and ecosystem services and potential fast-track assessments for inclusion in the rolling work programme. The importance of previous assessments of the Platform and of the assessments included in the rolling work programme for the global review of collective progress for the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework was reviewed by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its twenty-fifth meeting (see recommendation 25/2).

2. In decision 15/19, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to regularly and systematically assess and report to the Subsidiary Body on how to consider deliverables from all functions and processes of the Platform, including a forward schedule and regular agenda item in meetings of the Subsidiary Body (para. 13) and to identify views from Parties on how the Platform could, within its defined functions of producing further assessments, building capacity, strengthening knowledge and supporting policy, contribute to the review and monitoring process of the Framework (para. 14). In recommendation 25/3, the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice invited Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth, the secretariats of biodiversity-related conventions, the other Rio Conventions and other relevant multilateral agreements, and relevant intergovernmental organizations and stakeholders to submit views related to the work programme of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and the potential contribution of the Platform in addressing the

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scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Framework and the global review of collective progress, and requested the Executive Secretary to compile those views and to make them available for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its twenty-six meeting.

3. The present note contains an overview of the consideration of completed assessments and a forward schedule for consideration of future assessments (sect. II), views of Parties and observers regarding an additional assessment and other contributions of the Platform to support implementation of the Framework (sect. III) and suggested recommendations for consideration by the Subsidiary Body (sect. IV).

## **II. Ongoing collaboration between the Platform and the Convention, overview of the consideration of completed assessments and a forward schedule for consideration of future assessments**

4. In decisions XI/13 C and XII/25, the Conference of the Parties established the modalities for cooperation between that Convention and the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, in particular with respect to the role of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice in considering relevant outputs of the Platform and in preparing advice to the Conference of the Parties regarding requests to the Platform. These decisions also addressed the exchange of information between the Subsidiary Body and the Platform, participation of the Chair of the Subsidiary Body in the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel of the Platform, collaboration between the Executive Secretary and the secretariat of the Platform, and the role of the Executive Secretary in bringing relevant information from the Platform to the attention of Parties.

5. As the Conference of the Parties recalled in the preamble to its decision 15/19, the Subsidiary Body has systematically considered the assessment reports prepared by the Platform and has provided pertinent recommendations for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties. A table containing an overview of the deliverables of the Platform and how each was considered by the Subsidiary Body and subsequently by the Conference of the Parties was made available in document CBD/COP/15/13. Updated information is provided in the annex to the present document, which includes the three new assessments that have been approved by the Platform and considered by the Subsidiary Body at its twenty-fifth session.

6. The annex also provides a forward schedule of the future assessment reports of the Platform and when these could be considered by the Subsidiary Body. This includes the two fast-track assessments approved by the Platform at its tenth session in response to decision 15/9 of the Conference of the Parties. Furthermore, the table indicates the relevance of the various assessments to the various targets and other elements of the Framework.

## **III. Views of Parties and observers regarding an additional assessment and other contributions of the Platform to support implementation of the Framework**

7. Following recommendation 25/3 of the Subsidiary Body, the Executive Secretary, through notification 2024-006, invited views from Parties and observers related to the work programme of the Platform Services and the potential contribution of the Platform in addressing the scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Framework and the global review of collective

progress. Ten Parties<sup>1</sup> and eight observers submitted views, which are summarized below. The full submissions are available online.<sup>2</sup>

**A. Views related to specific topics for an additional fast-track assessment**

8. During the twelfth Plenary session of the Platform, in 2025, the Platform will determine the topic of a future fast-track assessment to be completed by 2028. The Conference of the Parties should therefore finalize its requests for this assessment at its sixteenth meeting, taking into account any advice from the Subsidiary Body at its twenty-sixth meeting.

9. In their submissions, a number of Parties emphasized that the Conference of the Parties should take into account the assessment of the scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, which is being undertaken under this agenda item, when considering options for a request to the Platform.

10. A number of Parties proposed an assessment on *biodiversity and pollution*, noting that pollution is the only direct driver of biodiversity loss where a formal assessment by the Platform or by the International Panel on Climate Change does not yet exist. One Party<sup>3</sup> provide detailed proposals for the scope of such an assessment. The assessment of the scientific and technical needs also identified issues related to Target 7 (pollution) as a significant gap in the tools and guidance available.

11. A few Parties identified *biodiversity and climate change* as a potential gap, though others considered that this issue is already well addressed through a range of assessments and workshop reports of the Platform and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. A number of Parties called for strengthened cooperation between the Platform and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, and for any assessment on this topic to be done in cooperation with the Intergovernmental Panel.

12. One Party proposed an assessment on *cities and biodiversity*, providing detailed proposals for the scope of such an assessment,<sup>4</sup> addressing issues related to Targets 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 14 and 16.

13. One Party<sup>5</sup> proposed an assessment on *biodiversity and poverty*, including interlinkages between biodiversity and social and economic vulnerability, the correlation between areas of high biodiversity and low socioeconomic development, the impacts of biodiversity-loss on biodiversity-dependent communities, and the role of indigenous peoples and local communities in the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.

14. Several observer organizations provided submissions on human rights and rights-based approaches related to tenure, gender and indigenous peoples and local communities. An assessment on *rights-based approaches to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and the equitable sharing of benefits from its utilization* could address these topics related to many of the cross-cutting issues in Section C of the Framework and Targets 22 and 23, among others. The assessment of the scientific and technical needs also identified issues related to equity and human rights-based approaches as a significant gap in the tools and guidance available to support implementation of the Framework.

15. An observer highlighted the importance of considering ecosystem integrity and highlighting the importance of the functional role played by biodiversity in all of the ongoing and future

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<sup>1</sup> Brazil, European Union, France, Germany, Japan, Mexico, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

<sup>2</sup> [www.cbd.int/notifications/2024-016](http://www.cbd.int/notifications/2024-016).

<sup>3</sup> United Kingdom.

<sup>4</sup> Spain.

<sup>5</sup> Brazil.

assessments. Another recommended that the Platform undertake a systematic review of the headline indicators for the Framework.

## **B. Views related to how collaboration with the Platform could be strengthened**

16. Parties highlighted the value that the Platform adds to the implementation of the Framework and the Convention as a whole. Some Parties suggested specific ways in which collaboration could be further strengthened, while noting that any recommendation by the Subsidiary Body would need to take into account the specific mandate and procedures of the Platform.

17. A number of Parties highlighted that the Conference of the Parties should consider the deliverables and outputs of all four functions of the Platform. The Platform has four functions: to catalyse the generation of new knowledge; to produce assessments of existing knowledge; to support policy formulation and implementation; and to build capacities relevant to achieving its goal.

### **1. Use of the Platform's assessment reports**

18. The Convention already makes extensive use of the assessment reports as noted in paragraph 5 above and in table 1. Several Parties proposed that the Subsidiary Body should have a standing item to consider the outputs of the Framework within each biennium. In practice, the Subsidiary Body already does that, and table 1 provides a forward schedule for the consideration of future assessments as requested in decision 15/19. The Secretariat also brings relevant assessment reports to the attention of the Subsidiary Body when relevant under other items of its agenda. For example, during the twenty-fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body, the assessments of the Platform were discussed in the context of various agenda items, such as on invasive alien species and sustainable wildlife management, among others.

19. It was noted that the completed assessments continue to provide valuable information for the implementation of the Framework and should be considered in decision-making under the Convention. Furthermore, a Party proposed that gaps identified through the assessment of the scientific and technical needs should be addressed in collaboration with the Platform, where relevant. This could include making use of possible deliverables, such as workshops and technical papers, which do not require resources for a full assessment and can therefore be completed within a shorter timeline. This would enable such products to be available in the coming years to assist with implementation of the Framework. In addition, the scientific and technical needs to support the implementation the Framework presented in document CBD/SBSTTA/26/3 should be considered in the development of ongoing and future assessments of the Platform.

20. Some Parties noted that the review processes for the preparation of assessments by the Platform provided an opportunity to inform authors of the assessments of the challenges faced by Parties to the Convention.

21. While the Convention also cooperates with the Platform with regard to the other three functions, several Parties are of the view that this should be further enhanced. Specific references were made to the policy support function of the Platform,<sup>6</sup> its work on capacity-building, and its task force on indigenous and local knowledge.<sup>7</sup> The Subsidiary Body may wish to invite the Executive Secretary to collaborate with the secretariat of the Platform in order to prepare an analysis of how collaboration between the Convention and the Platform on other aspects of the Platform's work could be enhanced.

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<sup>6</sup> In this context, the Secretariat is drawing attention to the ongoing external review of the concept note on the future role of the policy support function of the Platform, open until 31 May 2024. See notification EM/2024/18 available at: [www.ipbes.net/notification/external-review-concept-note-policy-support](http://www.ipbes.net/notification/external-review-concept-note-policy-support).

<sup>7</sup> The Programme Officer in charge of the programme of work on traditional knowledge at the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity participates in the Platform's task force on indigenous and local knowledge.

## **2. Collaboration on global review and monitoring**

22. The Conference of the Parties, in its decision 15/19 (para. 15), invited the Platform to contribute to the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Indicators for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, and the Subsidiary body, in its recommendation 25/2, recommended that that the Platform be invited to contribute to the global review of collective progress, and, in this respect, stressed the importance of the second global assessment on biodiversity and ecosystem services. A number of Parties further highlighted the important value that the Platform could have in contributing to the monitoring of the progress in implementing the Framework, including the global review of collective progress.

23. If the fast-track methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people is approved by the Platform's Plenary prior to the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, then this may provide additional information to Parties when reviewing the monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework; however, this depends on the Platform's Plenary session being scheduled before the meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The second Global Assessment of the Platform will be prepared prior to the nineteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and will provide information relevant to the final review of progress of the Framework. The timing of the consideration of these assessments is described in table 1. However, one Party noted that duplications between the Global Assessment and the global report on collective progress in the implementation of the Framework should be avoided, noting that the latter should be the report to evaluate the collective progress in the implementation of the Framework.

## **3. Improving collaboration at all levels**

24. Some Parties noted that improving communication between the Platform's focal points and Convention's focal points at the national level would provide benefits in terms of implementation at the national level. In addition, some Parties highlighted the importance of continuing coordination between the Subsidiary Body and the Platform.

25. The Chairs of the Subsidiary Body and of the Platform and the Secretariats of the Convention and of the Platform do regularly collaborate; the Chair of the Subsidiary Body regularly attends the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel of the Platform, the Chair of the Platform regularly attends meetings of the Subsidiary Body and the Secretariats of the Convention and of the Platform regularly share information. However, collaboration could continuously be strengthened and the Chairs of the Subsidiary Body and of the Platform may wish to consider ways to increase the flow of information between the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body on Implementation on the one hand, and the Bureau and the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel of the Platform on the other.

26. One Party proposed that the Platform could provide a roster of experts to support the work of the Convention as relevant and appropriate.

27. The Executive Secretary regularly sends notifications to keep Parties and observers updated on the work of the Platform, including calls for nominations of authors, calls for peer review and other information.

28. As suggested by some Parties, the Executive Secretary could also foster the involvement of the Secretariat of Platform in the Liaison Group of Biodiversity-related Conventions.

## IV. Recommendations

29. The Subsidiary Body may wish to consider some or all of the following topics as options for a further fast-track assessment:

- (a) Biodiversity and pollution;
- (b) Cities and biodiversity;
- (c) Biodiversity and poverty;

(d) Rights-based approaches to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, and the equitable sharing of the benefits from its utilization, including issues related to gender.

30. The Subsidiary Body may wish to adopt a recommendation along the following lines:

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

*Taking note* of the information contained in the overview on previous and future deliverables of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and their relevance in the decision-making of the Convention, including the forward schedule for consideration of deliverables by the Subsidiary Body, contained in the annex to the present recommendation,

1. *Identifies* the following topics for further consideration for an additional fast-track assessment for a potential request to the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services; [placeholder for the list]

2. *Requests* the Secretariat of the Convention, for each of the topics listed above, to prepare information in the form required by the Platform, to support a potential request for an additional fast-track assessment, for consideration by Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity at its sixteenth meeting;

3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to continue its close cooperation with the Platform and to liaise with the Secretariat of the Platform with a view to identify further ways by which the Platform may contribute to the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and to its global review of collective progress, including opportunities to make use of all deliverables of each of the four functions of the Platform,

4. *Recommends* that the Conference of the Parties, at its sixteenth meeting, adopt a decision along the following lines:

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* decisions XI/13 C of 19 October 2012, XII/25 of 17 October 2014, 14/36 of 29 November 2018 and 15/19 of 19 December 2022,

*Welcoming* the decision by the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, at its tenth Plenary session, to undertake a fast-track methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people by 2026, a fast-track methodological assessment of integrated biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning and ecological connectivity by 2027, and a scoping process for a second global assessment of biodiversity and ecosystem services by 2024, with a view to producing the second global assessment in 2028, as part of the rolling work programme up to 2030 of the Platform,<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> Decision 10/1 of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services. *Note:* this preambular paragraph is already included in the draft decision contained in recommendation 25/2 of the Subsidiary Body, but given its relevance to the subject of the present draft decision, it is proposed that it be included here.

*Noting* the ongoing close collaboration between the Convention and the Platform,

1. *Invites* the Platform to consider the requests contained in the annex<sup>9</sup> to the present decision;
2. *Encourages* Parties to make full use of the deliverables of the Platform to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, to engage with the review processes for the preparation of assessments of the Platform and to enhance communication, sharing of information and coordination between the focal points of the Platform and of the Convention at the national level;
3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to facilitate the participation of the Executive Secretary of the Platform in meetings of the Liaison Group of Biodiversity-related Conventions, where relevant.

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<sup>9</sup> Annex to be developed based on the intersessional work set out in the recommendation of the Subsidiary Body and finalized by the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting.

## Annex

## Overview of previous and future deliverables of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and their relevance in the decision-making of the Convention

<i>Date of approval (or welcoming for meeting reports)</i>	<i>Deliverable</i>	<i>Consideration by the Subsidiary Body and the Conference of the Parties</i>	<i>Description of past guidance or the potential for future guidance</i>
<b>IPBES-4 (2016)</b>	<b>Assessment Report on Pollinators, Pollination and Food Production</b>  <a href="https://ipbes.net/assessment-reports/pollinators">https://ipbes.net/assessment-reports/pollinators</a>	SBSTTA rec. XX/9  COP decision XIII/15	<p>The Conference of the Parties welcomed the summary for policymakers and the full report of the assessment, endorsed its key messages, and encouraged Parties and others to use the assessment;</p> <p>The Conference of the Parties adopted policy advice to Governments, businesses and others to improve conservation and management of pollinators, address drivers of pollinator declines, and work towards sustainable food production systems and agriculture</p>
	<b>Methodological Assessment Report on Scenarios and Models of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services</b>  <a href="https://ipbes.net/assessment-reports/scenarios">https://ipbes.net/assessment-reports/scenarios</a>	Further considered at SBSTTA and COP-14 (further to decision XIII/15)	<p>Updated the Plan of Action for the International Initiative on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Pollinators and prepare a draft updated and streamlined plan of action, including capacity-building.</p> <p>Directly supports Targets 10 and 11.</p>
		Considered at SBSTTA-20 (rec. XX/13) and COP-13 (decision XIII/29)	<p>The Conference of the Parties welcomed the assessment, recognized its high relevance for work under the Convention, and in particular, the fifth edition of the <i>Global Biodiversity Outlook</i>; encouraged Parties and others to further develop and use scenarios and models to support decision-making and the evaluation of policies, and invited the scientific community to address key gaps in methods for modelling the impacts of drivers and policy interventions on biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p>
		SBSTTA-21 (rec. XXI/1) COP-14 (decision 14/1)	<p>The Subsidiary Body developed conclusions on scenarios for the 2050 Vision on Biodiversity</p> <p>The Conference of the Parties noted the relevance of the assessment to the discussions on the long-term strategic directions to the 2050 Vision for Biodiversity and the process of developing a post-2020 global biodiversity framework.</p> <p>Supports the global review of collective progress of the Framework.</p>



<i>Date of approval (or welcoming for meeting reports)</i>	<i>Deliverable</i>	<i>Consideration by the Subsidiary Body and the Conference of the Parties</i>	<i>Description of past guidance or the potential for future guidance</i>
<b>IPBES-6 (2018)</b>	<b>Assessment Report on Land Degradation and Restoration</b> <a href="https://ipbes.net/assessment-reports/ldr">https://ipbes.net/assessment-reports/ldr</a>	SBSTTA recommendation 22/4 COP-14 (decision 14/1)	The Subsidiary Body welcomed the assessment. The Conference of the Parties welcomed the assessment with appreciation, urged Parties and invited other governments to make use of it.
		COP decision 14/5	The Conference of the Parties welcomed the assessment, endorsed the key messages that support achieving the Sustainable Development Goals through the use of ecosystem-based approaches to climate change adaptation and mitigation, disaster risk reduction, and combating land degradation Directly supports Target 2 of the Framework, as well as Targets 1, 3, 8, 10 and 11.
	<b>Regional Assessment Reports on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services for the Americas, Africa, Asia and the Pacific and Europe and Central Asia</b> <a href="https://ipbes.net/regional-assessments">https://ipbes.net/regional-assessments</a>	SBSTTA rec. 22/4 COP decisions 14/1 and 14/34 SBSTTA rec. 23/1	The Conference of the Parties welcomed the assessments and called for their use in preparing the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. Supports regional application of the Framework.
<b>IPBES-7 (2019)</b>	<b>Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services</b> <a href="https://ipbes.net/global-assessment">https://ipbes.net/global-assessment</a>	SBSTTA rec. 23/1	The Subsidiary Body welcomed the Global Assessment Report and took note of the information presented in the note by the Executive Secretary which included an overview of the findings of the Global Assessment and implications for the work of the Convention prepared by the Executive Secretary; requested the Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework to consider the findings of the global assessment when preparing documentation for the second meeting of the Working Group; and invited the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework to consider the findings of the Global Assessment in its deliberations.  Provides the primary scientific basis of the Framework and supports implementation of all aspects.
<b>IPBES-8 (2020)</b>	<b>Report of the Expert Workshop on Biodiversity and pandemics</b>	Referenced in SBSTTA rec. 24/7	The Conference of the Parties took note of the 2019 Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services <sup>1</sup> stating that zoonotic and vector-

<i>Date of approval (or welcoming for meeting reports)</i>	<i>Deliverable</i>	<i>Consideration by the Subsidiary Body and the Conference of the Parties</i>	<i>Description of past guidance or the potential for future guidance</i>
	<a href="https://ipbes.net/events/ipbes-workshop-biodiversity-and-pandemics">https://ipbes.net/events/ipbes-workshop-biodiversity-and-pandemics</a>	COP dec. 15/29 COP dec. 15/19	<p>borne diseases are significant threats to human health, and that emerging infectious diseases in wildlife, domestic animals, plants or people can be exacerbated by human activities</p> <p>Supports the health cross-cutting issue of Section C of the Framework, and Targets 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 11, 12, 16 among others.</p>
	<p><b>Report of the IPBES-IPCC joint workshop on biodiversity and climate change</b></p> <a href="https://ipbes.net/events/ipbes-ipcc-co-sponsored-workshop-biodiversity-and-climate-change">https://ipbes.net/events/ipbes-ipcc-co-sponsored-workshop-biodiversity-and-climate-change</a>	Referenced in SBSTTA rec. 23/2 and rec. 25/8 COP dec 15/19	<p>The Conference of the Parties welcomed the cooperation between the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and took note of the report, noting the conclusions and encouraging the two bodies to continue and further strengthen their collaboration in a transparent and participatory manner, with a view to increasing coherence while avoiding duplication of work.</p> <p>At its twenty-fifth meeting, the Subsidiary Body welcomed the further collaboration elaborated in IPBES dec. 10/1.</p> <p>Directly supports Target 8.</p>
<b>IPBES-9 (2022)</b>	<p><b>Methodological assessment regarding the diverse conceptualization of multiple values of nature and its benefits, including biodiversity and ecosystem functions and service</b></p> <a href="https://ipbes.net/the-values-assessment">https://ipbes.net/the-values-assessment</a>	SBSTTA rec 25/5 COP-16 (October, 2024)	<p>The Subsidiary Body recommended that the Conference of the Parties welcome the assessment and encourage Parties to take into account the findings. Specifically, recognizing the relevance of the assessment as an important input for the implementation of the programme of work on the implementation of Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention and the Joint Programme of Work on the Links Between Biological and Cultural Diversity.</p> <p>Cross-cutting issue. Directly supports Target 14, Goal B and Section C of the Framework.</p>
	<p><b>Assessment report on the sustainable use of wild species</b></p> <a href="https://ipbes.net/sustainable-use-assessment">https://ipbes.net/sustainable-use-assessment</a>	SBSTTA 25/7 COP-16 (October, 2024)	<p>The Subsidiary Body recommended that the Conference of the Parties welcome the summary for policymakers and encourages Parties, and invites other Governments, subnational governments at all levels, indigenous people and local communities, women and relevant organizations, according to their needs, capacities and circumstances, in accordance with relevant international obligations, and as appropriate, to use the findings, as relevant.</p>

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			Addresses a direct driver of biodiversity loss (overexploitation) Directly supports Targets 5 and 9 and Goal B of the Framework
	<p><b>Foundations of the nature futures framework, a flexible tool to support the development of scenarios and models of desirable futures for people, nature and Mother Earth (Nature’s Futures Framework)</b></p> <p><a href="https://zenodo.org/records/8171339">https://zenodo.org/records/8171339</a></p>		<p>The Nature’s Futures Framework is a tool to catalyse the development of scenarios and models for biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p> <p>Supports Section C of the Framework.</p>
<b>IPBES-10 (2023)</b>	<p><b>Invasive alien species assessment</b></p> <p><a href="https://ipbes.net/invasive-alien-species-assessment">https://ipbes.net/invasive-alien-species-assessment</a></p>	SBSTTA 25/6 and COP-16	<p>The Subsidiary Body recommended that the Conference of the Parties welcome the assessment and encourage its use, as appropriate, including when updating or revising and implementing national biodiversity strategies and action plans and preparing national reports.</p> <p>Addresses a direct driver of biodiversity loss. Directly supports Target 6</p>
<b>Upcoming deliverables</b>			
<b>IPBES-11 (2024)</b>	<p><b>Thematic assessment of the interlinkages among biodiversity, water, food and health (“Nexus assessment”)</b></p> <p><a href="https://ipbes.net/nexus">https://ipbes.net/nexus</a></p>	To be considered at a SBSTTA prior to COP-17 and at COP-17 in 2026	Cross-cutting issue addressing interactions of biodiversity with productive sectors that influence many direct and indirect drivers of biodiversity loss. Will support Targets 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, and 16 of the Framework. There are also interlinkages between biodiversity, water, food and health.
	<p><b>Thematic assessment of the underlying causes of biodiversity loss, determinants of transformative change and options for achieving the 2050 vision for biodiversity (“Transformative change assessment”)</b></p>	To be considered at a SBSTTA prior to COP-17 and at COP-17 in 2026	Cross-cutting issue that addresses indirect drivers of biodiversity loss. Will support Targets 14-22 of the Framework.

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	<a href="https://ipbes.net/transformation-change">https://ipbes.net/transformation-change</a>		
<b>IPBES-12 (2025)</b>	<b>Methodological assessment of the impact and dependence of business on biodiversity and nature's contributions to people ("Business and Biodiversity Assessment")</b>  <a href="https://ipbes.net/business-impact">https://ipbes.net/business-impact</a>	To be considered at a SBSTTA prior to COP-17 and at COP-17 in 2026	Provides an overview related to understanding methodological approaches for assessing impacts and dependencies of business. Will directly support Target 15 of the Framework.
<b>IPBES-13 (2026)</b>	<b>Methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people for consideration</b>	To be considered at COP-17 in 2026 directly with further consideration at a SBSTTA before COP-18	This assessment will provide information which will directly contribute to the implementation of the Framework's monitoring framework (adopted in decision 15/5). The findings could contribute to the assessment of progress as based on the indicators in the monitoring framework which is part of the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the framework. In order to be relevant in the global review, findings should be shared before COP-17; however, this would depend on IPBES-13 occurring prior to COP-17.
<b>IPBES-14 (2027)</b>	<b>Methodological assessment of integrated biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning and ecological connectivity</b>	To be considered at a SBSTTA prior to COP-18 and at COP-18 in 2028.	Provides an overview related to understanding methodological approaches for integrated biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning and ecological connectivity. Will directly support Target 1 of the Framework, as well as goal A, Target 2 and Target 3.
<b>IPBES-15 (2028)</b>	<b>Second Global Assessment</b>	To be considered at a SBSTTA prior to COP-19 and at COP-19 in 2030.	The first Global Assessment of the Platform was highly relevant in contributing to the development of the Framework. The second Global Assessment is expected to be similarly relevant in the discussions related to the post-2030 strategic plan of the Convention of Biological Diversity.
<b>IPBES-16 (2029)</b>	<b>Assessment to be determined at IPBES-12</b>	To be considered at a SBSTTA prior to COP-19 and at COP-19 in 2030.	The assessment topic will be determined at IPBES-12 in 2025.