



CITES and the post-2020 biodiversity framework

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CITES Strategic Visions

- Strategic Vision through 2007 [2000-2007]
- CITES Strategic Vision: 2008-2020
- CITES Strategic Vision: 2021-2030 (in prep.)

Synchronization

- Inclusion of outward-looking dimensions not synchronized with major international developments e.g.:

Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and Aichi Biodiversity Targets and Sustainable Development Goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

- Retrofitting required.
- Lack of real integration

Synchronization

- Mapping of the *CITES Strategic Vision: 2008–2020* objectives and the *Aichi Targets* in the *Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2010–2020* undertaken by Secretariat retrospectively.

The future: Input of CITES focal points

- CITES Standing Committee encouraged CITES focal points to liaise with their CBD counterparts to ensure that relevant CITES provisions are included in country submissions to the CBD over post-2020 biodiversity framework.

The future: CITES Strategic Vision: 2021-2030

- Due for adoption CITES CoP18 (date to be finalized)
- CITES Standing Committee has drafted proposal
- Instructed by CoP to take account of any emerging replacement for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 in this work.
- Synchronization not easy

The future: CITES Strategic Vision: 2021-2030

Proposed Vision Statement:

- By 2030, all international trade in wild fauna and flora is legal and sustainable, consistent with the long-term conservation of species, and thereby contributing to halting biodiversity loss and to achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The future: CITES Strategic Vision: 2021-2030

Proposed 5 Strategic Goals:

- Trade in CITES-listed species is conducted in full compliance with the Convention in order to achieve their conservation and sustainable use;
- Parties' decisions are supported by the best available science and information;
- Parties (individually and collectively) have the tools, resources and capacity to effectively implement and enforce the Convention, contributing to the reduction of illegal trade in CITES-listed wildlife species;
- CITES policy development also contributes to and learns from international efforts to achieve sustainable development; and
- Delivery of the CITES Strategic Vision is improved through collaboration.



The future: Retrofitting again required

- After adoption of CITES SV: 2021-2030, Secretariat to be asked to undertake a comparative analysis to illustrate the linkages between the already adopted Vision and the post-2020 biodiversity framework
- Standing Committee then to make proposal in 2022 for revised indicators of progress to be included in the CITES SV 2021-2030.

Conclusions

- Lack of real integration between CITES SV and Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020
- Need to avoid similar outcome for imminent CITES Strategic Vision: 2021-2030 and post-2020 biodiversity framework.
- CITES SV Vision Statement cross-referenced to post-2020 biodiversity framework?

Thank you for your attention

