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### **Informal Advisory Committee to the Access and Benefit-Sharing Clearing-House**

#### **Sixth meeting**

Online, 17 June 2026

Item 2 of the provisional agenda\*

#### **Organizational matters**

### **Annotated provisional agenda**

#### **Introduction**

1. Under Article 14 of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from Their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity, an access and benefit-sharing clearing-house was established as part of the clearing-house mechanism under Article 18, paragraph 3, of the Convention.
2. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol established, through decision [NP-1/2](#), an informal advisory committee to assist the Executive Secretary with the implementation of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House and to provide technical guidance with respect to the resolution of technical and practical issues arising from the ongoing development of the Clearing-House.
3. In its decision [NP-5/4](#), the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol requested the Executive Secretary to continue to develop and administer the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House, in accordance with the modalities of operation,<sup>1</sup> taking into account any feedback received, in particular from Parties and of the Informal Advisory Committee to the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House, including the goals and priorities for the further development and administration of the Clearing-House.<sup>2</sup>
4. In accordance with the decisions mentioned above and the modalities of operation, the Executive Secretary has convened the present meeting of the Informal Advisory Committee to review progress made and provide technical and practical guidance with respect to the resolution of issues arising from the ongoing administration and operation of the Clearing-House.
5. A list of documents for the present meeting is contained in annex II. The documents will be made available on the meeting website.<sup>3</sup> The meeting will be conducted in English only.

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\* [CBD/NP/ABSCH-IAC/6/1](#).

<sup>1</sup> Decision [NP-1/2](#), annex.

<sup>2</sup> [CBD/NP/ABSCH-IAC/2024/1/4, annex I](#).

<sup>3</sup> [www.cbd.int/meetings/NP-ABSCH-IAC-06](http://www.cbd.int/meetings/NP-ABSCH-IAC-06).

## **Item 1**

### **Opening of the meeting**

6. The meeting will be opened by the Executive Secretary or her representative at 8 a.m. on 17 June 2026.

## **Item 2**

### **Organizational matters**

#### **(a) Election of the Chair**

7. The Committee members will be invited to elect a chair for the meeting.

#### **(b) Adoption of the agenda**

8. The Committee will be invited to adopt the provisional agenda prepared by the Secretariat.

#### **(c) Organization of work**

9. The Committee will be invited to approve the proposed organization of work, as provided in annex I to the present document.

#### **(d) Process for the adoption of the report**

10. Given the short duration and online format of the meeting, the report will be adopted through the following process: following the meeting, the Chair, with the support of the Secretariat, will prepare a draft report and circulate it to Committee members. Members will have five days to provide comments. Any comments received will be addressed by the Chair and the Secretariat, and the report will be revised as necessary before the final version is posted on the meeting website and considered adopted.

## **Item 3**

### **Development and administration of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House**

11. On the basis of the information contained in document CBD/NP/ABSCH-IAC/6/2, a representative of the Secretariat will report on progress in the development and administration of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House since the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol.

## **Item 4**

### **Relevant information from the second assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Nagoya Protocol**

12. Given the short duration of the meeting, a representative of the Secretariat will present a very brief overview of information from the second assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Nagoya Protocol that is relevant to the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House. The reference documents listed in annex II are intended to provide the Committee with background information on the effectiveness of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House in supporting the implementation of the Protocol.
13. Documents [CBD/SBI/7/INF/4](#), [CBD/SBI/7/INF/5](#) and [CBD/SBI/7/INF/6](#) will be presented in two webinars, which Committee members are encouraged to attend. Invitations will be sent to the Committee members by email before each webinar. Video recordings of the webinars will also be made available. More details on the webinars are provided in the table below.

**Webinars on information from the assessment and review of the Nagoya Protocol that is relevant to the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House**

| <i>Time and date</i>  | <i>Details</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8–9 a.m., 19 May 2026 | Presentation by the Secretariat on findings from the analysis of capacity-building and development support available for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol (CBD/SBI/7/INF/6) and on financial resources and resource mobilization for the implementation of the Protocol    |
| 8–9 a.m., 20 May 2026 | Presentation by the Secretariat on findings from the analysis of the information published in the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House (CBD/SBI/7/INF/4) and from the analysis of responses to the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House targeted survey (CBD/SBI/7/INF/5) |

**Item 5**

**Goals and priorities for the future development and administration of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House**

14. The Committee is invited to identify actionable activities to be undertaken by the Secretariat that will help to enhance the effectiveness of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House in achieving its three core objectives, namely, facilitating access to genetic resources and associated traditional knowledge, supporting compliance and monitoring the utilization of genetic resources, and supporting capacity-building for the implementation of the Protocol. The reference documents listed in annex II are intended to provide the Committee with background information for its work revising the goals and priorities for the future development and administration of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House.

15. Document CBD/NP/ABSCH-IAC/6/2 is provided as a starting point for the work of the Committee, which is invited to consider and revise the draft goals and priorities.

**Item 6**

**Other matters**

16. Under agenda item 6, the members of the Committee will have the opportunity to raise any other matters of relevance to the work of the Committee.

**Item 7**

**Closure of the meeting**

17. The meeting is expected to close at noon on 17 June 2026.

## Annex I

### Proposed organization of work

| <i>Date and time</i>           | <i>Agenda item</i>                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Wednesday, 17 June 2026</b> |                                                                                                                             |
| 8–8.10 a.m.                    | Item 1. Opening of the meeting                                                                                              |
| 8.10–8.30 a.m.                 | Item 2. Organizational matters                                                                                              |
| 8.30–9 a.m.                    | Item 3. Development and administration of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House                                     |
| 9–9.30 a.m.                    | Item 4. Relevant information from the second assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Nagoya Protocol              |
| 9.30–9.45 a.m.                 | <i>Break</i>                                                                                                                |
| 9.45–11.30 a.m.                | Item 5. Goals and priorities for the future development and administration of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House |
| 11.30–11.45 a.m.               | Item 6. Other matters                                                                                                       |
| 11.45 a.m.–noon                | Item 7. Closure of the meeting                                                                                              |

## Annex II

### List of documents

| <i>Symbol</i>                   | <i>Title</i>                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>Agenda item(s)</i> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Working documents</i>        |                                                                                                                                                                               |                       |
| CBD/NP/ABSCH-IAC/6/1            | Provisional agenda                                                                                                                                                            | 2 (b)                 |
| CBD/NP/ABSCH-IAC/6/1/Add.1      | Annotated provisional agenda                                                                                                                                                  | 2                     |
| CBD/NP/ABSCH-IAC/6/2            | Development and administration of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House: progress and future goals and priorities                                                     | 3 and 5               |
| <i>Reference documents</i>      |                                                                                                                                                                               |                       |
| CBD/SBI/7/7/Add.1               | Analysis of information for the second assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Nagoya Protocol                                                                      | 4 and 5               |
| <a href="#">CBD/SBI/7/INF/2</a> | Analysis of information from the national reports and other sources for the second assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Nagoya Protocol                          | 4 and 5               |
| <a href="#">CBD/SBI/7/INF/3</a> | Scoping study on the possible reasons and underlying root causes for the challenges to effective implementation and compliance and on possible ways to enhance implementation | 4 and 5               |
| <a href="#">CBD/SBI/7/INF/4</a> | Analysis of the information published in the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House                                                                                        | 4 and 5               |
| <a href="#">CBD/SBI/7/INF/5</a> | Analysis of responses to the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House targeted survey                                                                                        | 4 and 5               |
| <a href="#">CBD/SBI/7/INF/6</a> | Analysis of capacity-building and development support available for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol                                                                 | 4 and 5               |