

Group 5: Modalities for technical and scientific cooperation (operationalization)

- Would a programmatic approach be more effective for facilitating technical and scientific cooperation as opposed to short-term ad hoc actions? What would this approach look like?
- What are the activities that could be implemented to assist Parties and relevant stakeholders engage in technical and scientific cooperation to implement the post-2002 GBF?
- How do we ensure proper coordination among providers of technical assistance in an effort to streamline efforts and use resources efficiently?
- Should priority be given to matchmaking or to support partnerships that are already established? Are both equally important?
- How do we ensure proper monitoring and evaluation? What are the best practices in terms of monitoring and evaluation in technical and scientific cooperation?

Programmatic approach / short-term ad hoc actions?

Combination/hybrid approach, flexible approach, needs-based, local context

Implementation activities to assist Parties and relevant stakeholders:

- marketplace/matchmaking – requires funding attached to it;
- Interdisciplinary/transdisciplinary
- Ground-based – importance of traditional/indigenous knowledge
- Networks – regional level to support bilateral
- Continuity, expansion, evolution
- Inclusive
- Precautionary principle
- Budget strategy
- Horizon scanning
- Collaboration among UN agencies

Matchmaking or support established partnerships?

- Both equally important, flexible approach
- Involve IPLCs and women networks also !

Monitoring and evaluation:

- good/relevant indicators; further work needed with feedback
- Countries should express what they can't monitor in GBF targets and indicators and through TSC and CB

Issues raised in one of the groups...

- Decision makers should prioritise and understand the needs – scientific infrastructure
- TSC should be non political
- Common platforms could be developed to respond to some indicators
- Underutilisation of the Consortium of Scientific Partners
- Leverage points to decide on TSC
- Different views on the links between TSC and capacity-building
- Links to knowledge management