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SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE

Twenty-fourth meeting (resumed)

Geneva, Switzerland, 14-29 March 2022

Agenda item 2

# Agenda with supplementary annotations

# INTRODUCTION

1. The first part of the twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice was held in a virtual setting from 3 May to 9 June 2021. In view of the extraordinary circumstances prevailing as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the complexities involved in holding the meeting in a virtual setting, it was agreed that finalization of the work and of the recommendations of the Subsidiary Body would be deferred to the resumed meeting of the Subsidiary Body, planned to be held in person, as indicated in the report on the first part of the meeting ([CBD/SBSTTA/24/11](https://www.cbd.int/doc/c/9472/6090/90511f710677dd22c112db03/sbstta-24-11-en.pdf)). Accordingly, the resumed meeting of the Subsidiary Body is scheduled to be held in conjunction and concurrently with the resumed meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, at the International Conference Centre Geneva (CICG), in Geneva, Switzerland, from 14 to 29 March 2022, postponed from the original dates set for January 2022. Please note that on-site registration and regional preparatory meetings will take place on 13 March, and the opening plenary sessions of the respective bodies will be held on 14 March.
2. The present document supplements the provisional and annotated agendas (CBD/SBSTTA/24/1 and Add.1), providing updates on the status of each agenda in the light of the work carried out in the first part of the meeting (see CBD/SBSTTA/24/11) as well as any intersessional work conducted since the first part of the meeting.
3. The proposed organization of work for the resumed meetings above is provided in a scenario note (CBD/SBSTTA/24/1/Add.2/Rev.2).

# ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. A joint session resuming the twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, the third meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the third meeting of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework will be held on Monday, 14 March 2022 at 10 a.m. with an opening statement by the Chairs and Co-Chairs of the respective bodies as well as the Presidency of the Conference of the Parties and the Executive Secretary.

# ITEM 2. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

## Election of officers

1. The officers elected to serve the first part of the meeting will remain and continue to serve the resumed meeting of the Subsidiary Body.
2. Following the elections held at the twenty-second and twenty-third meetings of the Subsidiary Body, and communications from the Governments of Australia, Belarus, Norway and Ukraine, the composition of the Bureau of the resumed twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body, is as follows: Mr. Hesiquio Benitez Diaz (Mexico) as Chair of the Subsidiary Body; Mr. Adams Toussaint (Saint Lucia); Ms. Helena Brown (Antigua and Barbuda), alternate for the Nagoya Protocol for Saint Lucia; Mrs. Marina Von Weissenberg (Finland); Mrs. Alison McMorrow (Australia); Andreas Benjamin Schei (Norway), alternate for the Cartagena Protocol and Nagoya Protocol for Australia; Mr. Larbi Sbai (Morocco); Mrs. Marie-May Muzungaile (Seychelles); Mr. Moustafa M.A. Fouda (Egypt), alternate for the Nagoya Protocol for Morocco; Ms. Kongchay Phimmakong (Lao People’s Democratic Republic); Ms. Gwendalyn Sisior (Palau); Ms. Senka Barudanovic (Bosnia and Herzegovina); and Mr. Volodymyr Domashlinets (Ukraine); Mrs. Tatsiana Lipinskaya (Belarus), alternate for the Nagoya Protocol for Bosnia and Herzegovina.
3. In order to have staggered terms of office within the Bureau, the Subsidiary Body will elect new members to serve on the Bureau for a term commencing at the end of the twenty-fourth meeting and ending at the close of the twenty-sixth meeting in order to replace the members from Mexico, Antigua and Barbuda, Finland, the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Morocco and Ukraine.

## Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

1. As noted above, the agenda for the twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body (CDB/SBSTTA/24/1) was adopted by the Subsidiary Body at the first part of its twenty-fourth meeting.
2. The Subsidiary Body will be invited to consider the organization of work for the resumed meeting for adoption, as contained in annex I of the joint scenario note (CBD/SBSTTA/24/Add.2/Rev.2).
3. A list of in-session documents for the resumed meeting is provided in annex II.

# ITEM 3. POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

1. The Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice considered agenda item 3 at the first part of its twenty-fourth meeting.
2. The Subsidiary Body approved a draft recommendation on the fifth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* and its Summary for Policymakers, for formal adoption at a later stage. Accordingly, the Subsidiary Body at its resumed meeting is expected to consider and adopt the draft recommendation contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.2.
3. With the assistance of a contact group, a draft recommendation related to scientific and technical information to support the review of the updated goals and targets, and related indicators and baselines for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, was prepared by the Chair for the consideration of the Subsidiary Body, which approved a draft recommendation for formal adoption at a later stage. Accordingly, the Subsidiary Body, at its resumed meeting, is expected to consider and adopt the draft recommendation contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.3.
4. In the light of the discussions during the first part of the meeting of the Subsidiary Body, and also reflecting views expressed at the first part of the third meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, a revised note on the monitoring approach for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework has been prepared and issued as a non-paper. The Chair of the Subsidiary Body will propose to reconvene the contact group with a view to further considering and developing the monitoring approach. The outcome of this work is expected to be further considered by the Subsidiary Body and, once approved, to be integrated as an annex to the draft recommendation contained in document CBD/SBSSTA/24/L.3.

# ITEM 4. SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY

1. The Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice considered agenda item 4 during the first part of the twenty-fourth meeting. With the assistance of a contact group and a friends-of-the-chair group a draft recommendation was prepared by the Chair for the consideration of the Subsidiary Body which approved draft recommendation CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.5, for formal adoption at a later stage.
2. Accordingly, the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its resumed meeting, is expected to consider and adopt the draft recommendation contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.5.

# ITEM 5. Risk assessment and risk management of living modified organisms

1. The Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice considered agenda item 5 at the first part of its twenty-fourth meeting. With the assistance of a contact group a draft recommendation was prepared by the Chair for the consideration of the Subsidiary Body which approved draft recommendation CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.6, for formal adoption at a later stage.
2. Accordingly, the Subsidiary Body at its resumed meeting is expected to consider and adopt the draft recommendation contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.6.

# ITEM 6. MARINE AND COASTAL BIODIVERSITY

1. The Subsidiary Body considered agenda item 6 at the first part of its twenty-fourth meeting. Following an exchange of views, the Chair established a contact group to focus on the annexes of the draft recommendations on ecologically or biologically significant marine areas. The Chair also requested the Secretariat to prepare a conference room paper for the draft recommendation on “other matters”, which was made available as document CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.2 on “conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity”.
2. The result of the work of the contact group, together with other annexes and recommendations that the contact group had not addressed, are reflected in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.4. The Subsidiary Body agreed to defer consideration of the draft recommendations set out in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.4, as well as document CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.2, to the resumed session of its twenty-fourth meeting.
3. Accordingly, the Chair will propose to reconvene the contact group with a view to further considering and working on documents CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.2 and CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.4. The outcomes of this work are expected to be further considered, for eventual adoption, by the Subsidiary Body.

# ITEM 7. BIODIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURE

1. The Subsidiary Body considered agenda item 7 at the first part of its twenty-fourth meeting and, following an exchange of views, approved draft recommendation CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.7, for formal adoption at a later stage. It was noted that, due to time constraints, the annex setting out the draft action plan 2020‒2030 on the International Initiative for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Soil Biodiversity could not be considered and was therefore placed in brackets.
2. Accordingly, the Chair will propose to convene a contact group with a view to further considering the draft action plan contained in the annex of document CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.7. The outcome of this work is expected to be further considered by the Subsidiary Body, for eventual adoption, together with the draft recommendation contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.7.

# ITEM 8. PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL SCIENCE‑POLICY PLATFORM ON BIODIVERSITY AND ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

1. The Subsidiary Body considered agenda item 8 at the first part of its twenty-fourth meeting and, following an exchange of views, approved draft recommendation CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.4, for formal adoption at a later stage.
2. Accordingly, the Subsidiary Body at its resumed meeting is expected to consider and adopt the draft recommendation contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.4.

**ITEM 9. BIODIVERSITY AND HEALTH**

1. The Subsidiary Body considered agenda item 9 at the first part of its twenty-fourth meeting. At its ninth session, the Chair of the Subsidiary Body announced that, following consultations with the Bureau, a contact group would be established to further consider the item during the resumed meeting of the Subsidiary Body. A non-paper has been published to support the further discussions in the contact group.

27. Accordingly, the contact group is expected to review the non-paper at the resumed meeting of the Subsidiary Body. The outcome of this work is expected to be further considered by the Subsidiary Body, for eventual adoption.

# ITEM 10. INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES

1. The Subsidiary Body considered agenda item 10 at the first part of its twenty-fourth meeting and, following an exchange of views, the Chair of the Subsidiary Body subsequently established a friends-of-the-chair group to find a way forward on the annexes in the draft recommendation prepared by the Chair. The draft recommendation contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.7 has been updated to reflect the outcome of the group’s discussions.
2. Accordingly, the Subsidiary Body at its resumed meeting is expected to consider and eventually adopt the draft recommendation contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.7.

# ITEM 11. OTHER MATTERS

1. Under this item, participants will be invited to raise other matters of relevance to the meeting.

# ITEM 12. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

1. Under this item, the Subsidiary Body will consider and adopt its report. In accordance with established practice, the Subsidiary Body is invited to authorize the Rapporteur to complete the final report after the meeting, with the guidance of the Chair and the assistance of the Secretariat.

# ITEM 13. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

1. The twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice is scheduled to close at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, 29 March 2022.

## *Annex I*

**LIST OF WORKING DOCUMENTS**

| *Symbol* | *Title* | *Agenda item* |
| --- | --- | --- |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/1 | Revised provisional agenda | 2 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/1/Add.1 | Annotated provisional agenda | 2 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/1/Add.2/Rev.2 (*New*) | Scenario note for the resumed sessions of twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, the third meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the third meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework | 2 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/1/Add.3 | Agenda with supplementary annotations | 2 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/2 | The fifth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* and its summary for policymakers | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/3 | Post-2020 global biodiversity framework: scientific and technical information to support the review of the updated goals and targets, and related indicators and baselines | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/3/Add.1 | Post-2020 global biodiversity framework: the updated goals and targets, and related indicators | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/4 | Synthetic biology | 4 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/5 | Risk assessment and risk management of living modified organisms | 5 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/6 | Marine and coastal biodiversity | 6 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/7 | Biodiversity and agriculture**:** review of the international initiative of the conservation and sustainable use of soil biodiversity and updated plan of action | 7 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/8 | Programme of work of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services | 8 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/9 | Biodiversity and health | 9 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/10 | Invasive alien species | 10 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/1 | Compilation of submissions on experiences in the implementation of marine spatial planning | 6 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/2 | Synthesis of experiences to achieve Aichi Biodiversity Target 10 for coral reefs and closely associated ecosystems | 6 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/3 | Synthesis of submissions on experiences for the implementation of the voluntary specific workplan on biodiversity in cold-water areas within the jurisdictional scope of the Convention on Biological Diversity | 6 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/4 | Technical paper updating CBD Technical Series No. 83 (Marine debris: understanding, preventing and mitigating the significant adverse impacts on marine and coastal biodiversity) | 6 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/5 | Draft CBD Technical Series on anthropogenic underwater noise: impacts on marine and coastal biodiversity and habitats, and mitigation and management measures | 6 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/6 | List of references on synthetic biology | 4 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/7 | List of bibliographic references on engineered gene drives and living modified fish | 5 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/8 | Report on the state of knowledge of soil biodiversity | 7 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/9 | Synthesizing the scientific evidence to inform the development of the post-2020 global framework on biodiversity | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/10 | Report of the Expert Meeting on Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures in the Marine Capture Fishery Sector | 6 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/11 | Annotations for terms and concepts used in the language of interim updated post-2020 goals and targets | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/12 | Linkages between the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/13 | Synthesis of relevant information from the fourth national reports on the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/14 | Progress on mainstreaming biodiversity across agricultural sectors: report by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations | 7 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/15 | Invasive alien species: technical specifications under the World Customs Organization Framework of Standards on Cross-border E-commerce | 10 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/16 | Indicators for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/17 | Programme of work of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services | 8 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/18 | National ecosystem assessment in support of the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity: outlining initial impact | 8 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/19 | Update of the Technical Series on synthetic biology | 4 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/20 | The development of a post-2020 global strategy for plant conservation as a component of the global biodiversity framework | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/21 | Detailed scientific and technical information to support the review of the proposed goals and targets in the updated zero draft of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/22 | *Not issued* |  |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/23 | Available monitoring frameworks and information to support monitoring of progress towards goals and targets of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework with respect to marine and coastal biodiversity | 6 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/24 | Report on regional seas biodiversity under the post-2020 global biodiversity framework | 6 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/25 | Supporting guidance and tools on biodiversity and health interlinkages and one health approaches | 9 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/26 | Compilation of key messages and approaches to biodiversity and health interlinkages | 9 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/27 | Report of the Second Consultation Workshop of Biodiversity-related Conventions on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework (Bern II) | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/28 | Report of the virtual sessions of the Fifth Science-Policy Forum for Biodiversity and the Eighth International Conference on Sustainability Science | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/29 | Comments from the survey on headline indicators | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/30 | Developing and measuring a gender-responsive post-2020 biodiversity framework: information on gender considerations within the draft post-2020 monitoring framework | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/31 | Expert input to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework: transformative actions on all drivers of biodiversity loss are urgently required to achieve the global goals by 2050 | 3 |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/32 | Framework for action on biodiversity for food and agriculture and the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity for food and agriculture and the post-2020 global biodiversity framework – submission by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations– |  |
| CBD/SBSTTA/24/INF/33 | Global Plan of Action for the Conservation, Sustainable Use and Development of Aquatic Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture – submission by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations |  |

### Annex II

# List of in-session documents

**Item 3. Post-2020 global biodiversity framework**

CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.2 Fifth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* and its Summary for Policymakers

CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.3 Post-2020 global biodiversity framework: scientific and technical information to support the review of the updated goals and targets, and related indicators and baselines

Non-paper on the proposed monitoring framework, including headline, component and complementary indicators, for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (*New*)

**Item 4. Synthetic biology**

CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.5 Synthetic biology

**Item 5. Risk assessment and risk management of living modified organisms**

CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.6 Risk assessment and risk management

**Item 6. Marine and coastal biodiversity**

CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.2 Conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity

CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.4 Ecologically or biologically significant marine areas

**Item 7. Biodiversity and agriculture**

CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.7 Review of the International Initiative for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Soil Biodiversity and Updated Plan of Action

**Item 8. Programme of work of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services**

CBD/SBSTTA/24/L.4 Programme of work of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services

**Item 9. Biodiversity and health**

Non-paper on biodiversity and health (*New*)

**Item 10. Invasive alien species**

CBD/SBSTTA/24/CRP.7 Invasive alien species

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1. \* Reissued on 7 February 2022 to update the dates of the meeting and the list of documents. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)