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**PROGRESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SHORT-TERM ACTION PLAN
(2017-2020) TO ENHANCE AND SUPPORT CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION AND ITS PROTOCOLS**

Note by the Executive Secretary

I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its thirteenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties adopted a short-term action plan (2017-2020) to enhance and support capacity-building for the implementation of the Convention and its Protocols. The Executive Secretary was requested to support and facilitate, in collaboration with partners, as appropriate, the implementation of the short-term action plan. The Executive Secretary was also requested to monitor and evaluate the outcomes and effectiveness of ongoing capacity-building activities supported and facilitated by the Secretariat, with a view to better targeting and improving future capacity-building activities, and to report on the results to the Subsidiary Body on Implementation for consideration at its second meeting (decision XIII/23, paras. 3, 15(d) and 15(f)).

2. The present document provides an overview of the activities supported or facilitated by the Secretariat in collaboration with partners and their respective outputs since COP 13. The outputs are reported against the respective Aichi Biodiversity Targets and cross-cutting activities as presented in the short-term action plan. The status of implementation of the action plan activities is summarised in a pie-chart contained in Annex 1. A list of all the activities, their outputs, sources of funding and the partners that delivered or co-organized them is provided in annex II.

3. Most of the activities carried out during this biennium have been supported by the Government of Japan through the Japan Biodiversity Fund, the Government of the Republic of Korea through the Sustainable Ocean Initiative, the Forest Ecosystem Restoration Initiative, the Bio-Bridge Initiative, the Peace and Biodiversity Dialogue Initiative and the Biosafety Capacity-building Initiative, and by the European Union.

Cross-cutting capacity-building support activities, tools and services implemented or coordinated by the Secretariat

4. The Secretariat implemented a number of cross-cutting activities, tools and services supporting various substantive programmes. In March 2017, the *Biodiversity e-Learning Platform*,¹ which was

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¹ The Biodiversity e-Learning Platform is accessible at: <http://elearning.cbd.int/>

developed in collaboration with the United Nations Systems Staff College (UNSCC) with financial support from the Japan Biodiversity Fund, was launched. The platform currently hosts 6 courses consisting of more than 20 e-learning modules on protected areas, access and benefit-sharing, biosafety and biodiversity valuation, which are available to the general public. Plans are under way to expand the opportunities for e-learning, including through webinars and massive open online courses (MOOCs) in collaboration with partners. In July 2018, the Secretariat sent an online e-learning survey to 1,100 registered users of the [Biodiversity e-Learning Platform](#) to gather input on how to improve their learning experience on the platform and their e-learning preferences. In general, the survey results indicated that 75% of the respondents are satisfied with their experience using the platform. However, the survey shed light on the fact that 48% of users do not complete the course they enrolled in mainly due to time constraints and connectivity issues.

5. The Secretariat, through the Bio-Bridge Initiative, also launched various tools and mechanisms to facilitate technical and scientific cooperation. This includes a help desk and associated support tools to assist Parties in articulating their needs, access available technical support opportunities and match the expressed needs with available support. A [Bio-Bridge web platform](#) was also launched in March 2017 to enable Governments and relevant stakeholders to submit, as appropriate, requests for assistance, make offers of such assistance, announce opportunities for technical and scientific cooperation, and access a wide range of technical and scientific knowledge assets and curated resources.² As of 31 October 2018, 115 requests for assistance have been submitted by 110 countries. Twenty-six (26) of these requests have been addressed through seed funding support and matchmaking.³

6. In the context of the Bio-Bridge Initiative, the Secretariat also organized the following five regional round tables: Asia and the Pacific (Incheon, Republic of Korea, 15-19 October 2017), Africa (Entebbe, Uganda, 7-9 November 2017), Latin America and the Caribbean (Bogota, 27-29 November 2017), Central and Eastern Europe and the Central Asian Republics (Minsk, Belarus 26-28 February 2018) and the Western Europe and Others Group (Brussels, 21 September 2018).⁴

7. Pursuant to paragraphs 15(a) and 15(c) of decision XIII/23, the Executive Secretary continued to establish and strengthen partnerships with various organizations involved in capacity-building related to the implementation of the Convention and its Protocols. Also in response to paragraph 16 of decision XIII/23 and paragraph 17 of decision XIII/24, the Secretariat embarked on the process of promoting synergies among the biodiversity-related conventions at the international level with regard to enhancing the provision of capacity-building and guidance.

8. As noted in documents CBD/SBI/2/10 and CBD/SBI/2/10/Add.1, the Secretariat organized a meeting on “Enhancing coordination and collaboration in supporting the implementation of biodiversity-related conventions among relevant agencies and convention secretariats” in September 2017 in Rome, back-to-back with the twelfth ordinary meeting of the Liaison Group of the Biodiversity-related Conventions. As a follow up to one of the meeting’s recommendations, the Secretariat convened a teleconference on 15 December 2017 with the Capacity Development Coordinators (CDC) from biodiversity-related convention secretariats and relevant international organizations to review existing mechanisms, programmes, projects and activities, identify common areas and gaps across the Conventions requiring capacity-building, propose means for exchanging best practices, and identify concrete joint actions.

9. As a result of the discussions of the first meeting of the Capacity Development Coordinators (CDC) Group, a preliminary assessment document on capacity-building programmes being implemented by the biodiversity-related conventions was prepared and presented by the CBD Secretariat during the second virtual meeting, convened on 13 March 2018. The preliminary document proposed focusing the

² See Notification No. 86354 - <https://www.cbd.int/doc/notifications/2017/ntf-2017-024-bbi-en.pdf>.

³ More details are provided in CBD/COP/14/INF/23.

⁴ More details are provided in CBD/COP/14/INF/23.

discussion on areas of joint activity, including strengthening capacities for project design, resource mobilization, communication and networking, and monitoring and evaluation. It also identified interoperability as a potential area for cooperation amongst the Secretariats in order to better share capacity-building initiatives, resources and tools, as well as calendars of events.

10. A third virtual meeting of the CDC Group was convened on 15 May 2018, during which a revised version of the capacity-building document was discussed. The following key areas, with high potential for synergy across the biodiversity-related conventions, were identified:

(a) A joint initiative to strengthen capacities on data collection and management, which would involve national focal points of biodiversity-related conventions and analysts working in agencies that collect, compile and manage biodiversity related data;

(b) A joint initiative to strengthen capacities of national focal points of biodiversity-related conventions on biodiversity project design and resource mobilization;

(c) A joint training course for national focal points of biodiversity-related conventions mainstreaming gender into national biodiversity plans, policies and programmes;

(d) A joint initiative to strengthen capacities on spatial planning.

11. On 25 May 2018, the CBD Secretariat sent out a survey to the members of the CDC Group to prioritize and select one of the four proposed joint activities that could be developed into a concept note. Members were asked to rank the proposals both in terms of their relevance for the national focal points of their Conventions and in terms of the interest for their own organizations. The initiative on strengthening capacities to design projects and mobilize resources received the highest number of votes and it was recommended that a concept note be developed on this topic. A task force, consisting of CITES, CBD, IPPC, ITPGRFA, UNEP and UNDP, has been established to develop the concept note.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 1

12. The Secretariat in collaboration with the Global Youth Biodiversity Network (GYBN) organized Regional Youth Capacity-Building Workshops on Biodiversity for Africa (Johannesburg, South Africa from 14 to 19 August 2017), Asia (Singapore, Singapore 22-27 May 2017) and Latin America and the Caribbean (Bogota, Colombia, 2-5 May 2017). At least 103 youths from 48 countries⁵ attended and learned about the Convention, the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and its Aichi Biodiversity Targets as well as the national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs) of their respective countries. The participants developed new initiatives to support their countries' national biodiversity strategies and action plans, which will be implemented by the youth in collaboration with relevant government agencies and/or non-governmental organizations.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 2

13. The Secretariat also collaborated with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Stockholm Resilience Centre, Pronatura, El Colegio de la Frontera Sur (ECOSUR), the NBSAP Forum and The Nature Conservancy (TNC) in organizing a massive open online course (MOOC) on "Introduction to Resilience for Development". Part 1 of the MOOC: "[Understanding Resilience Thinking](#)" was held from 31 October to 27 November 2017 and Part 2: "Applying Resilience Thinking to National Biodiversity Plans" was held from 23 January to 13 February 2018.

14. The Secretariat continued its close collaboration with the UNDP BIOFIN initiative, through its contribution to the series of global webinars held by the CBD-BIOFIN regional technical support nodes, and the development of an online version of the Financial Reporting Framework for the second round of financial reporting, of which Parties were informed through [Notification 2017-061](#).

⁵ This includes 46 participants from 16 African countries, 29 participants from 19 Asian countries and 28 participants from 13 Latin American and Caribbean countries.

15. The Secretariat, in collaboration with ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability, developed a toolkit to guide the integration of biodiversity and ecosystem services into public urban infrastructure development, which is available for use at <https://iclei.org/en/activities.html>.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 4

16. Through the implementation of Activity 23 of the Short-Term Action Plan on developing guidance and learning materials for business, the Secretariat continues to provide guidance for reporting by businesses on their actions related to biodiversity.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 4 and others (2, 3, 11, and 20)

17. In June 2017, the Secretariat collaborated with UNDP, the NBSAP Forum and The Nature Conservancy (TNC) in organizing a six-week massive open online course on “Greening Consumption and Production”, which was held from 31 May to 12 July 2017. The course was hosted on TNC’s [Conservation Training website](#). A total of 1,371 participants from 138 countries, including policymakers and practitioners working in the area of sustainable consumption and production, took part in the course.

18. Through the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Tourism and Protected Areas Specialist (TAPAS) Group, the Secretariat supported three training workshops in Southern Africa in May and June in the context of the project entitled “Tourism Partnerships and Concessions in Protected Areas: Cooperating for Success”. The workshops took place in South Africa (30 May-2 June 2017), Namibia (20-21 June 2017) and Mozambique (27-28 June 2017). A total of 32 participants from 11 countries took part in the workshops.⁶ The participants learned about existing policies and good practices, shared experiences and success stories, and discussed the challenges they face in improving tourism concession policies and partnerships. The project also produced “Guidelines for Tourism Partnerships and Concessions for Protected Areas: Generating Sustainable Revenues for Conservation and Development”.⁷

Aichi Biodiversity Target 5, 14 and 15

19. Pursuant to paragraph 5 of decision XI/16, the Secretariat, in collaboration with the Government of Morocco and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), organized a capacity-building workshop for the Mediterranean on the restoration of forests and other ecosystems to support the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Targets 5, 14 and 15, held from 20 to 24 March 2017 in Agadir, Morocco. This workshop was one of a series being organized as part of the implementation of the Forest Ecosystem Restoration Initiative (FERI) with financial assistance from the Government of the Republic of Korea through the Korea Forest Service.

20. The Secretariat, in collaboration with the Government of South Africa and FAO, organized a capacity-building workshop for Central, Eastern and Southern Africa on the restoration of forest and other ecosystems to support the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Targets 5, 14 and 15, held from 25 to 29 September 2017, in Durban, South Africa.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 5 and other forest-related targets

21. As part of FERI, the Secretariat in collaboration with the Government of South Africa also organized a capacity-building workshop for Central, Eastern and Southern Africa on the restoration of forest and other ecosystems to support the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Targets 5, 14 and 15 in Durban, South Africa, from 2 to 6 October 2017. The participants, inter alia, learned how to integrate biodiversity considerations in restoration activities across landscapes, through integrated and

⁶ The countries were: Botswana, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

⁷ The guidelines are available at <http://www.cbd.int/tourism>.

collaborative planning, implementation and reporting, and how to develop national ecosystem restoration plans with specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-bound (SMART) national targets.

22. In July 2017, the Secretariat through FERI also supported six ecosystem restoration projects in Bhutan, Cambodia, Kenya, Madagascar, Mexico and Peru.⁸ These projects were selected from a total of 85 submissions that were received from 41 countries. The projects were selected by an expert committee taking into account their strong local community involvement, long-term monitoring approach and focus on critical ecosystem services.⁹

Aichi Biodiversity Target 6

23. A Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) subregional capacity-building workshop for the Coral Triangle was held from in Jakarta 31 July to 3 August 2018, with financial support from the Government of Japan (through the Japan Biodiversity Fund) and the Government of Sweden, to identify tools and approaches to support cross-sectoral management of various pressures on coral reefs and associated ecosystems. The workshop was organized in collaboration with the Government of Indonesia, the Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries, and Food Security and other relevant regional and international organizations and initiatives.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 7

24. An expert workshop to develop options for modifying the description of areas meeting the criteria for ecologically or biologically significant marine areas (EBSAs), for describing new areas, and for strengthening the scientific credibility and transparency of the EBSA process, was held in Berlin from 5 to 8 December 2017. The workshop was hosted by the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety, and organized with financial support from Sweden's Ministry of the Environment and Energy.

25. On 7 March 2018, a webinar on the Sustainable Use of Pollinators was hosted in collaboration with the [Regions for Biodiversity Learning Platform](#).

Aichi Biodiversity Target 9

26. The Secretariat conducted a capacity-building workshop (Kingston, Jamaica, 18-22 September 2017) and a post-workshop webinar for Caribbean Small Island developing States towards achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 9 in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Caribbean Community and other partners.¹⁰ It also coordinated with the Global Invasive Alien Species Information Partnership the update of information in the Global Registry of Introduced and Invasive Species ([GRIIS](#)) and a web page on "[How to Use GRIIS](#)" was developed in collaboration with IUCN-Invasive Species Specialist Group.

27. An expert workshop on invasive alien species in preparation for the twenty-second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 22) was held from 6 to 8 December 2017. A total of 17 experts attended, including representatives of the Governments of Barbados, Brazil, Cape Verde, Canada, Mexico, New Zealand, Sri Lanka, and Sweden, as well as Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLC) from New Zealand, and organizations such as the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF), the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), IUCN-Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG), and the Network of Regional Governments for Sustainable Development (nrg4SD).

⁸ A total of USD 100,000 was granted to the six projects under the Forest Ecosystem Restoration Initiative (FERI). This increased FERI's funding portfolio to nearly USD 1 million granted to 13 countries to date with since 2016.

⁹ See further details at: <https://www.feri-biodiversity.org/2017projectcall>

¹⁰ <https://europa.eu/capacity4dev/acp-meas/news/building-capacity-manage-invasive-alien-species-ias-and-supporting-technical-and-scientific>

Aichi Biodiversity Target 10 (also Target 11) - Marine

28. In line with the Short-Term Action Plan and in response to decisions XIII/9-12, XII/22-23, XI/17-18 and X/29, the Secretariat in collaboration with various partners carried out the following capacity-building activities: Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) capacity-building workshop for the wider Caribbean and Central America (San José, Costa Rica, 20-24 February 2017) and a national workshop for Cameroon (Yaoundé, 17-19 January 2018); pre-training sessions on ecologically or biologically significant marine areas (EBSAs) and regional workshop to facilitate the description of EBSAs in the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea region (Baku, 24-29 April 2017) and in the Baltic Sea (Helsinki, 19-24 February 2018); and a training of trainers workshop on cross-sectoral planning and management of marine resources (Seocheon, Republic of Korea, 25-29 September 2017).

29. The Secretariat also provided technical advice to relevant global and regional processes related to conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity. Through the above activities and the sharing of scientific and technical information, learning exchanges, training on specific tools and guidelines, the Secretariat contributed to long-term capacity-building for national implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 towards achieving Aichi Biodiversity Targets as well as the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly Sustainable Development Goal 14 on marine and coastal areas. It also engaged various global and regional partners to contribute to this effort.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 11

30. The Secretariat continued to encourage and provide support to Parties and partners in different regions to strengthen cooperation and promote concerted efforts towards developing sustainable capacities to achieve Target 11 by 2020. This included organization of dialogue sessions for experts and implementing partners at the regional and country levels and provision of advice on the establishment of Regional Implementation Support Networks to assist countries with on the ground implementation of prioritized national actions, and of coordination mechanisms to foster alignment and synergy of the support activities of various partners in each region. Financial support was secured for the establishment of such mechanisms in Asia and the Pacific as well as in Latin America.

31. The Secretariat also compiled and shared information and experiences on various elements of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures, including measures to enhance integration and mainstreaming of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures into the wider land and seascapes and across sectors, and the effective governance models for management of protected areas. A knowledge-sharing event on the contributions of the Like-Minded Megadiverse Countries to the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 was also held on 12 December 2017 in Montreal, Canada.

32. Under the Peace and Biodiversity Dialogue Initiative, the Secretariat in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme's World Conservation Monitoring Centre continued updating the Global List of Transboundary Protected Areas and identifying transboundary conservation areas/transboundary protected areas in international conflict zones where opportunities for initiating dialogue and establishing peace parks exist. It also continued to develop and promote relevant tools and guidelines, including an e-learning module on transboundary protected areas, which includes lessons on managing emergency situations and armed conflict.¹¹

Aichi Biodiversity Target 14

33. The Secretariat and the World Health Organization (WHO) jointly convened, in collaboration with the Finnish Ministries of Environment and of Social Affairs and Health a regional capacity-building workshop on biodiversity and human health for the European region from 23 to 25 October 2017, in

¹¹ <https://www.cbd.int/peace/information/resources/e-learning/default.shtml>

Helsinki, Finland. The workshop enabled policy makers to better understand the biodiversity-health linkages and how those linkages could be mainstreamed into national biodiversity strategies and action plans and national health strategies to support the implementation of decision XIII/6 on biodiversity and health. A subsequent regional capacity-building workshop on biodiversity and human health for the ASEAN region was held in Manila from 5 to 7 November 2018. The workshop aimed to strengthen collaboration, engagement and policy coherence between national agencies responsible for biodiversity and those responsible for health, to mainstream biodiversity and health linkages in national policies and programmes, and to contribute to enhanced national implementation of the Convention, the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, and related Sustainable Development Goals among ASEAN countries.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 15 (also Targets 7 and 14)

34. In 2017, the Secretariat in collaboration with SwedBio at the Stockholm Resilience Centre organized three Regional Dialogues and Learning Missions for Eastern and Southern Africa (Durban, South Africa, 2-6 October 2017), the Pacific Island countries (Suva, Fiji, 23-27 October 2017) and South America (Bogota, Colombia, 27 November - 1 December 2017). A total of 120 participants from 43 countries took part in the events. The dialogue seminars provided an informal setting for open discussions on existing approaches, challenges and opportunities for mainstreaming ecosystem-based approaches, as well as related policies and actions under the CBD and other multilateral environmental agreements. The field visits allowed host countries to showcase concrete examples of the linkages between policy and action. Participants also exchanged experiences of integrating ecosystem-based approaches in climate-related work and identified potential synergies among those approaches for delivering benefits related to multiple objectives of Nationally Determined Contributions under the Paris Agreement.

35. A technical workshop to review the Voluntary Guidelines for the Design and Effective Implementation of Ecosystem-based Approaches to Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction was held in Bonn, Germany, from 20 to 22 November 2017 with the support of the European Union and the Governments of Sweden and Germany. A total of 46 participants from 21 countries and representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities and organizations attended the technical workshop.

36. The Secretariat in collaboration with the Intergovernmental science-policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), with financial support from the Government of France, convened a workshop titled “Biodiversity and Climate Change: Integrated Science for Coherent Policy” in Paris, France, on 18 October 2018 to discuss recent assessments and policy-relevant science between climate and biodiversity communities.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 16

37. With support from the Japan Biodiversity Fund, the European Union and other partners, the Secretariat and the International Development Law Organization (IDLO) launched a new capacity-building programme to support the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol. The programme built on the experience and materials developed in a previous phase (2015-2016) that resulted in the development of eight e-learning modules and the organization of a course delivered through a blended approach in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, and Latin America. The programme used the e-learning modules developed in the previous phase and included the realization of the blended course “Establishing measures to implement the Nagoya Protocol” in six regions. Each course comprised three components: a mandatory six-week preparatory e-learning session; a five-day intensive face-to-face workshop; and follow-up peer-to-peer learning and knowledge sharing through an online discussion and networking forum. The e-learning modules developed jointly with IDLO are also available for the use of Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations in their capacity-building activities, on the [Biodiversity e-learning Platform](#) in English, French, Spanish and Russian.

38. As part of the programme, six regional face-to-face workshops were carried out in 2018; Douala, Cameroon, 9-13 April (with the support of the Central African Forest Commission (COMIFAC), UNDP and GIZ); Da Nang, Viet Nam, 28 May - 1 June (with the support of the Government of Viet Nam and UNDP); Santiago, Chile, 18-22 June (with the support of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and UNDP); Nadi, Fiji, 23-27 July (with the support of the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme and UNDP); Minsk, 10-14 September (with the support of the Government of Belarus and UNDP); and Dakar, Senegal, 17-21 September (with the support of the ABS Capacity-Development Initiative and UNDP).

39. The Secretariat also partnered with Bioversity International, the ABS Capacity Development Initiative and the Secretariat of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture in organizing a tandem workshop on mutually supportive implementation of the Nagoya Protocol and the International Treaty for countries in South and Southeast Asia in Los Baños, Philippines, from 27 to 30 March 2017. The workshop brought together national focal points of the Nagoya Protocol and the International Treaty from Bhutan, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Japan, Malaysia, Nepal, Pakistan and the Philippines to discuss complementarity in policies and procedures for access to plant genetic resources.¹² A similar workshop for Latin America and the Caribbean is planned for September 2018. Fact sheets presenting scenarios that may arise at the interface of the two instruments and how national focal points can respond were also produced as part of this collaboration.

40. Furthermore, the Secretariat continued to carry out capacity-building for the use of the ABS Clearing-house. A help desk was maintained to provide on-demand technical support to users of the ABS Clearing-house, including quick responses to questions and requests for guidance on how to use the platform. The Secretariat also provided proactive personalized follow-up support to Parties (via email and phone) to assist them in understanding and complying with their information-sharing obligations under the Protocol. A number of on-demand capacity-building trainings for the use of the ABS Clearing-house were also provided remotely (via webinar or Skype). Capacity-building and guidance materials were also developed, including an e-learning module on the ABS Clearing-house, an online FAQ section, as well as a number of step-by-step instructional guides outlining how to submit information and use the ABS Clearing-house.

41. The Secretariat also continued to develop and populate two databases on capacity-building initiatives and resources through the ABS Clearing-house.¹³

Aichi Biodiversity Target 18 (also Target 16)

42. With support from the Government of Japan through the Japan Biodiversity Fund, the Secretariat also embarked on a new phase of the “capacity development programme on national arrangements for achieving traditional knowledge elements of Targets 18 and 16 of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020”. The project activities include: an online global forum and four regional capacity development programme workshops for Latin America and Caribbean (Tepoztlan, Mexico, 2-6 April 2018), the Pacific (Whangarei, New Zealand, 21-25 May 2018), Asia (Kandy, Sri Lanka, 27-31 July 2018) and Africa (Marrakesh, Morocco, 8-12 October 2018).

43. The Secretariat in collaboration with UNDP, the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity (IIFB), and the Indigenous Women’s Network on Biodiversity (IWNB) organized an Online Forum on Traditional Knowledge for achieving Target 18 and contributing to Target 16 of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 on 30 November 2017. The Forum, which was conducted in English, Spanish and French, enabled participants to share experiences regarding the establishment of national arrangements to advance the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Targets 18 and 16 and to ensure that traditional knowledge is valued, protected and promoted for the implementation of the Convention and the Nagoya Protocol.

¹² See details at: https://www.bioversityinternational.org/treaty_nagoya_workshop_2017.

¹³ <https://absch.cbd.int/search/referenceRecords?schema=capacityBuildingInitiative>

Aichi Biodiversity Target 17

44. The Secretariat contributed to a workshop organized by UNEP Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean to facilitate the development and implementation of updated national biodiversity strategy and action plans (NBSAPs) in Caribbean countries.

45. Following the earlier support provided for countries to revise and update their NBSAPs, the Secretariat through the Japan Biodiversity Fund provided funding and technical support to pilot projects to assist a few developing countries to implement prioritized elements of their revised national biodiversity strategies and action plans.¹⁴ Among other things, countries were assisted in developing proposals and implementing on-the-ground activities with concrete and measurable outputs that directly helps them to move forward in the implementation of the NBSAPs.

46. The project in Ecuador continued to support the government to develop a monitoring plan for its NBSAP, identify nationally available data to support monitoring and demonstrate the contribution of biodiversity conservation and sustainable use to human well-being. The project in Sri Lanka is assisting the country to identify and integrate conservation priorities into the government's economic development plans and to mitigate human-elephant conflicts. The project in Antigua and Barbuda is implementing a terrestrial ecosystem service valuation that focusses on the country's tourism sector and the project in Burundi aims to facilitate the mainstreaming of biodiversity into the work plans of key sectoral ministries and the country's Poverty Reduction Strategy. The last project comprising Botswana, Ethiopia and Malawi involves testing a methodology for mapping, assessing and prioritizing biodiversity issues, which was developed by the South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI) and the UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre.

47. Countries were assisted in developing proposals and implementing on-the-ground activities with concrete and measurable outputs that directly helps them to move forward in the implementation of the NBSAPs in accordance with activity 67 of the short-term action plan: "Prepare capacity-building materials/tools on the NBSAP revision and implementation (based on outcomes of the second phase of pilot projects on NBSAP processes)". Technical and financial support was provided through the Japan Biodiversity Fund.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 19 and the Clearing House Mechanism

48. The Secretariat through the Bio-Bridge Initiative provided seed funding and helpdesk support to nine (9) demonstration projects on technical and scientific cooperation. The projects were selected by an external Project Review Panel from a total of 31 requests for assistance that were submitted by Parties in response to a call issued through Notification 2016-126.¹⁵ The projects seek to facilitate access to and sharing of technologies relating to biodiversity, strengthening biodiversity monitoring and developing technical capacity in ecosystem accounting. More information on the progress made with regards to technical and scientific cooperation is provided in COP/14/INF/23.

49. With support from the Japan Biodiversity Fund, the Secretariat organized two regional capacity-building workshops on the clearing-house mechanism, one for Asian countries in collaboration with the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity (Bangkok, 29 January to 3 February 2018)¹⁶ and another one for Arab-speaking countries (Cairo, 5-9 March 2018). Participants in these workshops were trained on how to establish and sustain effective national clearing-houses to support the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans. They also took part in hands-on training sessions on the Bioland tool, which has been developed by the Secretariat to assist Parties in the establishment of their national

¹⁴ The pilot projects are being implemented in Ecuador, Sri Lanka, Antigua and Barbuda, Burundi and in Botswana, Ethiopia and Malawi.

¹⁵ Issued through [Notification 2016-126](#)

¹⁶ A total of 14 participants from Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Cook Islands, Indonesia, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Viet Nam attended the Asian workshop.

clearing-houses and on the CBD online reporting tool. Based on the experience during the Bangkok workshop, the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity expressed their intent to support Bioland implementation for their member countries.

50. The Secretariat also collaborated with the *Biodiversity Management Programme (BMP)* of the Intergovernmental Authority for Development (IGAD) in the Horn of Africa to convene the Joint IGAD/CBD Sub-Regional Training Workshop on the Harmonization of the CBD clearing-house mechanism (CHM) and IGAD BMP's National Biodiversity Databases, held in Addis Ababa, from 9 to 13 April 2017. The objectives of the workshop were to strengthen the capacity of participating countries to establish and sustain effective national clearing-houses in support of the NBSAPs in the IGAD sub-region, and to build stronger awareness of CBD and CHM for biodiversity content providers, trained within the IGAD's BMP National Biodiversity Databases project. The workshop brought together 27 participants (including CHM National Focal Points and technical content managers of IGAD BMP national biodiversity databases) from six countries in the region.¹⁷

51. Furthermore, the Secretariat contributed to the *CHM capacity-building workshop for francophone partner countries in Africa*, organized by the Governments of Belgium and Togo in Lomé, from 2 to 5 May 2017. Nineteen national participants representing 10 countries attended this workshop.¹⁸ The participants reviewed the progress made in the implementation of the national clearing-houses established with the European CHM Portal Tool Kit (PTK) and supported through the CEBioS programme.¹⁹ Participants were introduced to the Bioland tool, including its similarities and differences with the PTK, and took part in hands-on training sessions using the Bioland-based training site to test-drive its features. Based on the experience gained during the workshop, CEBioS and the partner countries expressed their intention to support the move to the Bioland tool during its 2018-2019 timeframe.

Aichi Biodiversity Target 20

52. The Secretariat continued its close collaboration with the Biodiversity Finance Initiative of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP BIOFIN) to provide technical support for financial planning and reporting to non-BIOFIN pilot countries. This included contribution to a series of global webinars and the associated technical support provided by the CBD-BIOFIN Regional Technical Support Nodes.²⁰

Cross-cutting activities (addressing various Aichi Biodiversity Targets)

Global Strategy for Plant Conservation

53. With the support of the Japan Biodiversity Fund, the Secretariat collaborated with Botanic Gardens Conservation International and other partners to facilitate the implementation of technical aspects arising from decisions on the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation. This included the development of e-learning modules on seed conservation,²¹ training courses on seed conservation held in Nepal, India, Pakistan, Bhutan and Kathmandu (5-8 September 2017), a national training course (Jammu and Kashmir, India, May 2018) on Red listing of tree species to complement training materials existing on the IUCN Red List website as well as three other modules on ecological restoration focusing on forest restoration planning, species selection for forest restoration and sourcing material for forest restoration, respectively. The Secretariat also supported the organization of regional training courses on plant Red

¹⁷ Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan and Uganda.

¹⁸ Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Morocco, Niger, and Togo.

¹⁹ <http://www.biodiv.be/cebios2>

²⁰ See notification 2017-009 at <https://www.cbd.int/doc/notifications/2017/ntf-2017-009-financial-en.pdf> and the webinars at <http://www.biodiversityfinance.net/biofin-webinars>.

²¹ The e-learning modules are available in three languages (French, Spanish and Chinese) at: http://www.bgci.org/plant-conservation/seed_learning.

Listing (Haiti in November 2017, Indonesia in February 2018, Madagascar, Ethiopia and Kenya in March 2018), on ex situ conservation (Nepal, September 2017), and ecological restoration (Nigeria, September 2017). Furthermore, the Secretariat also organized two forest restoration workshops (Kenya, 29 January–1 February 2018, and Fiji, 5-9 February 2018) and awarded two small grants for collecting seeds of threatened species in India and Pakistan.

Global Taxonomy Initiative

54. In line with the capacity-building strategy for the Global Taxonomy Initiative and in response to decision XI/39, the Secretariat, in collaboration with partners, produced an open access e-book entitled: “Introduction to ABS and the Nagoya Protocol: What DNA Barcoding Researchers Need to Know”.²² With financial support from the Japan Biodiversity Fund, the Secretariat also provided 11 countries with small-scale grants to organize training courses on the application of DNA technologies, such as DNA barcoding, for rapid species identification within the context of the Global Taxonomy Initiative (GTI).²³ The courses will be co-facilitated by trainers that were trained under the GTI Training Courses that were conducted in 2015 and 2016 in partnership with the Guelph University and Biodiversity Institute of Ontario in line with decisions XI/29 and XIII/31 of the Conference of the Parties. It is expected that through this support, a total of 189 individuals will be trained on DNA barcoding, nine DNA libraries on species of countries’ concern (including invasive alien species, threatened species and agricultural pests) will be established, and over 1,000 DNA barcoding sequence and specimen records will be created.

Gender mainstreaming

55. The Secretariat produced a pocket guide of the Convention on Biological Diversity’s Gender Plan of Action, providing a summary of the plan and examples of actions undertaken by Parties. It also embarked on the development of an e-learning module on gender perspectives in sustainable ecosystem management in relation to global health, which will be part of a larger course on global health at the human-animal-ecosystem interface.

56. The Secretariat, in collaboration with the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity, held a regional expert workshop to develop training materials on Gender Equality and Biodiversity for South-East Asia and the Pacific regions (Bangkok, 28-30 November 2017).

57. The Secretariat and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) co-organized a one-day capacity-building workshop on gender mainstreaming on 1 July 2018 in Montreal, Canada, on the margins of the twenty-second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 22) and the second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI 2).

National reporting

58. The Secretariat collaborated with UNDP, UNEP and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in the development of technical guidance and supporting materials for the preparation of the sixth national report and in organizing two capacity-building workshops (Montreal, Canada, 9-10 December 2017) to assist developing countries with the preparation of their sixth national reports and to introduce the use of spatial data and tools to support the preparation of their reports. Participants also learned about the *Nature for Development Spatial Data Sandbox* online platform.

²² The e-book is accessible at <https://ab.pensoft.net/article/22579/download/pdf/>

²³ The countries selected are: Belarus (together with Moldova), Bhutan, Brazil, Colombia, Nigeria, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Tunisia, Turkey and Uruguay. See details in notification 2018-021 available at: <https://www.cbd.int/doc/notifications/2018/ntf-2018-021-gti-en.pdf>

59. A helpdesk was also set up at the Secretariat to respond to Parties' questions regarding the reporting guidelines and resource manual and the use of the online reporting tool. It also conducted nine regional webinars for Parties on the guidelines and the online reporting tool for the sixth national report.

Access and Benefit-Sharing

60. In addition to the activities reported under Aichi Target 16, the Secretariat organized capacity-building and outreach activities, including through webinars, videos and presentations, to increase participation in the ABS Clearing-house (ABS-CH). Thirteen (13) face-to-face regional trainings (8 for Africa and 5 for GRULAC) as well as four remote training (3 webinars for Asia and the Pacific and 1 for WEOG) on the ABS Clearing-house were hosted. A video on monitoring the utilization of genetic resources (in English, French, Spanish and Arabic) as well as a fact sheet in English and French on the "mutually supportive implementation of the Nagoya Protocol and the Plant Treaty" were developed. The ABS Clearing-house Step-by-Step Guide Series was also published to assist Parties and others in publishing information.

61. On the margins of the second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI 2), held from 9 to 13 July 2018 in Montreal, Canada, the Secretariat, in collaboration with the ABS Capacity Development Initiative, organized two capacity-building side-events in support of the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing (ABS) at the national level.

62. In collaboration with the International Development Law Organization (IDLO) and UNDP, the Secretariat, through the Bio-Bridge Initiative, supported ten African countries (Algeria, Benin, Cote d'Ivoire, Cameroon, Comoros, Democratic Republic of Congo, Republic of Congo, Madagascar, Morocco and Niger) to begin working collaboratively to establish a francophone African legal network focused on developing legal expertise on access and benefit-sharing. A workshop to this end was organized in Rabat, Morocco, from 10 to 11 May 2018.

63. With support from the Secretariat of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA), Biodiversity International and the ABS Capacity Development Initiative, the Secretariat, continuing with its efforts for the implementation of the Nagoya-Protocol in a mutually supportive manner with ITPGRFA, organized a workshop for national focal points in Latin America and the Caribbean in Lima, from 25 to 28 September 2018.

Biosafety

64. The Secretariat with funding from the Japan Biodiversity Fund implemented a project to strengthen capacities for "Integrated implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, the Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress, and the Convention on Biological Diversity at the national level," building on a similar earlier project that was implemented in 2015-2016. As part of the project, three regional workshops were organized for Asia-Pacific (Kuala Lumpur, 6-10 November 2017), Africa (Lilongwe, 19-23 February 2018) and Latin America and the Caribbean (Mexico City, 16-21 April 2018).²⁴ Participants learned how to achieve integrated implementation of the three instruments and shared information and experience on how biosafety is addressed in their countries' laws, policies and institutional frameworks and the challenges encountered. The Secretariat also provided small grants and technical assistance to ten countries²⁵ to implement pilot projects to test practical actions and approaches to foster integrated implementation of the three instruments, inter alia, through integration of biosafety into national biodiversity strategies and action plans and strengthening of national inter-sectoral coordination mechanisms.²⁶ The selected countries will build on the experience and lessons learned from

²⁴ A total of 96 participants from 31 countries were trained. The breakdown is as follows: Asia and the Pacific (28 participants from 10 Parties); Africa (26 participants from 10 countries); Latin America and the Caribbean (42 participants from 11 countries).

²⁵ The countries are: Cambodia, Cameroon, Cuba, Ghana, Mongolia, Nigeria, Peru, Togo, Venezuela and Viet Nam.

²⁶ See details in notifications 2017-064 and 2015-144 available at: <https://www.cbd.int/doc/notifications/2017/ntf-2017-064-bs-en.pdf> and <https://www.cbd.int/doc/notifications/2015/ntf-2015-144-bs-en.pdf> respectively.

the previous project and use the toolkit and e-learning module on mainstreaming biosafety developed in collaboration with the University of Strathclyde.

65. With support from the Government of the Republic of Korea, through the Korea Biosafety Capacity-Building Initiative, the Secretariat organized two regional training courses on risk assessment (for Latin America in Panama City from 20 to 24 August 2018 and for the Central and Eastern European region, in collaboration with the Institute of Genetics and Cytology of Belarus, in Minsk from 24 to 28 September 2018). The objectives of the workshops were to provide theoretical and practical training on the risk assessment process (concepts, steps, methodology, and key issues to consider), the problem formulation approach (hypothesis formulation, risk scenarios) and the evaluation of case studies of living modified organisms for environmental release.

66. The Secretariat, in its efforts to organize online discussions and knowledge-sharing sessions, provided two modules through the Network of Laboratories on the Detection of Living Modified Organisms. The first module consisted in an overview of the detection and identification of living modified organisms and the second module introduced techniques for detection and identification. Discussions were held from 2 to 16 April 2018.

67. With funding from the Japan Biodiversity Fund and the Korea Biosafety Capacity-Building Initiative, the Secretariat organized sub-regional training workshops on detection and identification of living modified organisms for the Pacific (Suva, 27 to 29 March 2017) and Francophone Africa (Tunis, 5-9 March 2018). The workshops contributed to the strengthening capacities for national border controls on living modified organisms. Customs and border control officials learned about the Cartagena Protocol's provisions relating to handling, transport, packaging and identification of LMOs, as well as methods for sampling and detection of LMOs in the context of illegal and unintentional transboundary movements. A total of 39 participants from 11 Pacific countries and 19 participants from 17 Francophone African countries attended.²⁷

68. The Secretariat organized a webinar for the Asia-Pacific region to promote a science-policy dialogue on the detection and identification of living modified organisms (LMOs). The objective of the webinar was to facilitate an exchange of views among policymakers and scientists on how laboratory analyses of LMOs can best respond to specific national regulatory needs in an effective manner. A total of 45 participants from 10 Parties in the Asian region (Bhutan; China; India; Iran (Islamic Republic of); Iraq; Malaysia; Philippines; Republic of Korea; Sri Lanka; and Viet Nam) took part in the webinar held on 26 January 2018.

69. The Secretariat and UNEP co-organized the Pacific Regional Training Workshop for Biosafety Clearing House National Focal Points in Nadi, Fiji, from 20 to 23 June 2017. The workshop brought together 15 National Focal Points from Fiji, Marshall Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Kiribati. The participants developed a follow-up plan known as the "One PASIFIKA Biosafety Roadmap", to guide island nations towards effectively putting in place biosafety measures beyond the BCH III project, enhancing capacity, establishing sustainable administrative systems, improving compliance with the Cartagena Protocol, and enhancing collaboration within the region.

70. The Secretariat organized the Asia-Pacific Workshop on the Detection and Identification of Living Modified Organisms, held in Kuala Lumpur from 20 to 24 March 2017. Participants were provided with theoretical and hands-on training on sampling, detection and identification of living modified organisms and laboratory methodologies used for the analysis of samples. The workshop was attended by 22 participants from 13 Parties in the region.

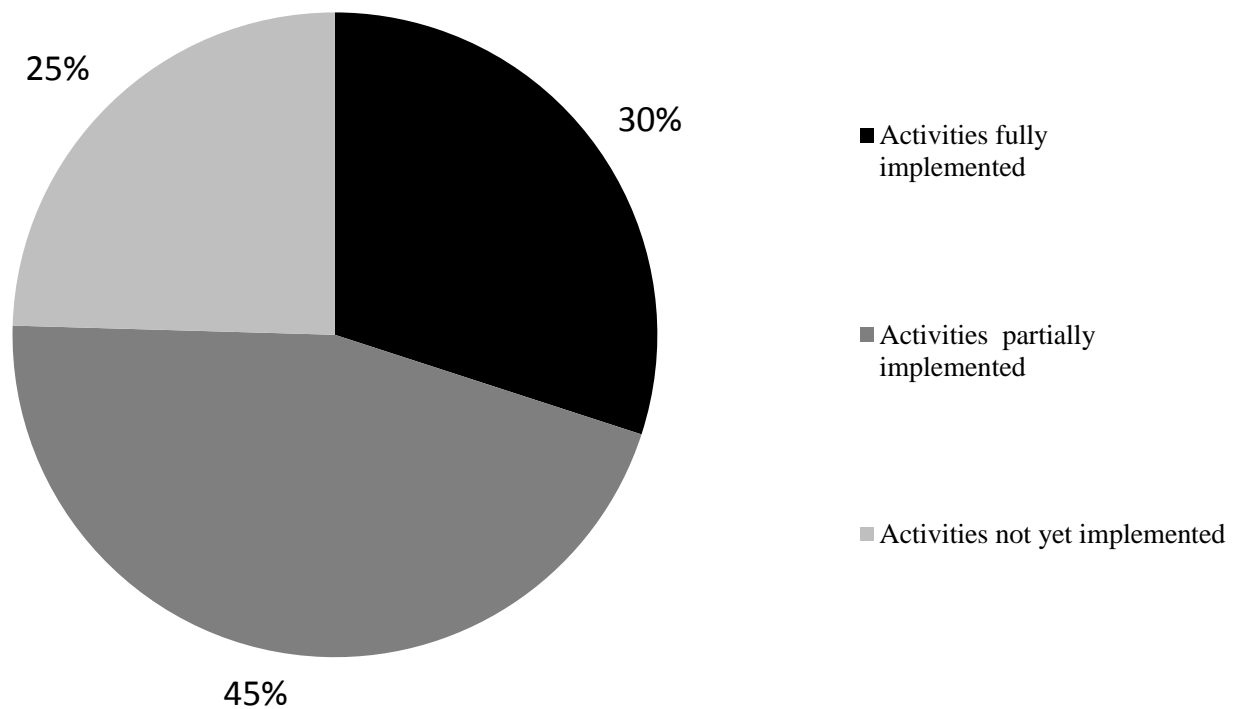
²⁷ The workshop reports and background documents are available at: <https://www.cbd.int/meetings/CPHTPIWS-2017-01> and <https://www.cbd.int/meetings/CPDI-WS-2018-01> respectively.

71. The Secretariat organized an online Forum on Public Education regarding LMOs from 3 April to 5 May 2017 to facilitate an exchange of views and information on key elements, procedures and practices of public education regarding LMOs. Subsequently, with input from the Forum the Secretariat produced a toolkit and an e-learning module on public education regarding LMOs with funding from the European Union.

72. Finally, the Secretariat made a presentation on “Biosafety and biosecurity: finding synergies at national and subnational levels” at a webinar organized through the Regions for Biodiversity Learning Platform (R4BLP) by the Network of Regional Governments for Sustainable Development. The webinar took place on 28 June 2017.

Annex I

Percentage of capacity-building activities completed since COP 13



*Annex II***LIST OF CAPACITY-BUILDING ACTIVITIES FACILITATED OR SUPPORTED BY THE SECRETARIAT SINCE THE THIRTEENTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES**

A. CROSS-CUTTING CAPACITY-BUILDING ACTIVITIES, TOOLS AND SERVICES IMPLEMENTED/COORDINATED BY THE SECRETARIAT							
Timeline	Activity	Level of implementation	Sub-activity(ies) and outputs	Participants Gender (M:F)	No. of Countries	Partner(s)	Source of Funding
2017-2020	#1. Develop tools to enable Parties and Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs) to assess and communicate their capacity-building (CB) and technical and scientific cooperation (TSC) needs through the clearing-house mechanism (CHM)	Partially implemented	https://www.cbd.int/biobridge/platform	NA	NA	NA	NA
2017-2020	#2. Develop and maintain a capacity development web portal and online searchable databases for CB and TSC initiatives, resources and opportunities (including CB and technical support providers) in the CHM	Partially implemented	Databases established and accessible through the CHM, ABS-CH, BCH, BBI platform	NA	NA	NA	NA
2017-2020	#3. Maintain the SCBD e learning platform (Learning Management System) to facilitate the hosting and delivery of e-learning courses/ modules with input from Parties and IPLCs	Partially implemented	6 courses consisting of more than 20 e-learning modules on protected areas, access and benefit-sharing, biosafety and biodiversity valuation Online e-learning survey sent to all registered users (July 2018)	1104	75	United Nations System Staff College	Japan Biodiversity Fund
2017-2020	#4. Establish a help desk to support Parties in articulating their CB/TSC needs and elaborating their requests for assistance and coordinate the matching of requests for assistance received with available support (resources, expertise and support tools)	Fully implemented	BBI helpdesk support	NA	2	Various	Republic of Korea (BBI)

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2017-2020	#5. Conduct matchmaking roundtables in the margins of CBD meetings / workshops to link Parties that have technical and scientific needs with Parties or institutions that are able to provide assistance to meet those needs through mutual partnerships, including IPLCs' full and effective participation.	Fully implemented	Regional BBI round table: Asia-Pacific (15-18 October 2017, Incheon, Republic of Korea)	36 (21:15)	24	Korean National Institute of Biological Resources	Republic of Korea (BBI)
			Regional BBI round table: Africa (7-9 November 2017, Entebbe, Uganda)	36 (21:15)	28	NEMA Uganda	Republic of Korea (BBI)
			Regional BBI round table: Latin America and the Caribbean (27-29 November 2017, Bogota Colombia)	29 (17:12)	21	Alexander von Humboldt Institute, Government of Colombia	Republic of Korea (BBI)
			Regional BBI round table: Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) and Central Asian Republics (26- 28 February 2018, Minsk, Belarus)	20 (3:17)	14	Institute of Genetics and Cytology, Belarus	Republic of Korea (BBI)
			Regional BBI round table: Western Europe and Others Group (21 September 2018, Brussels, Belgium)	31 (18:13)	17	Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences	Republic of Korea (BBI)
2018-2020	#6. Establish/strengthen partnerships with education and training institutions and networks, including those from IPLCs, to enhance research and training for the effective implementation of the Convention and its Protocols.	Partially implemented	Demonstration project, funded through the Bio-Bridge Initiative, on accelerating the conservation of Asian Big Cats using technology - implemented by Seoul National University (SNU - Republic of Korea) and Amity Institute of Forestry and Wildlife (AIFW-India). Training workshop organized in Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India 21-23 March 2018	27	2	SNU, UNIST, WII, AIFW	Republic of Korea (BBI)

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2018-2020	#7. Develop and apply quality assurance systems for the CB and TSC activities, materials and tools developed or facilitated by the Secretariat in collaboration with partner organizations.	Not yet implemented					
2018-2020	#8. Establish monitoring and evaluation (M&E) mechanisms for CB and TSC activities, materials and tools supported and facilitated by the Secretariat in collaboration with partner organizations.	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#9. Develop and maintain a follow-up support mechanism for beneficiaries (alumni) of CB and TSC activities supported or facilitated by the Secretariat in collaboration with partners to foster peer-to-peer learning and experience-sharing among practitioners from Parties.	Not yet implemented					

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Timeline	Activity	Level of implementation	Sub-activity	Participants Gender (M:F)	No. of Countries	Partner(s)	Source of Funding
Aichi Biodiversity Target 1							
2017-2018	#10. Develop tools and guidelines on CEPA and NBSAPs and encourage their use	Partially implemented	CEPA toolkit currently under review			UNDP	
2017-2018	#11. Organize workshops on messaging within the framework of CEPA and the UN Decade on Biodiversity	Partially implemented	Meetings of the Informal Advisory Committee on CEPA (5 - 6 July 2018, 11 - 13 October 2017, Montreal, Canada)				

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			Cambridge Conservation Initiative – communication dialogue (13 April 2018, Cambridge, United Kingdom) During the first Bogis-Bossey Dialogue a module on messaging was discussed (2017 Switzerland)				
2017-2020	#12. Support the GYBN in organizing and delivering three follow-up regional capacity-building workshops for youth (including preparatory webinars); preparing a supportive capacity-building toolkit on the basis of guidelines prepared in 2016, in facilitating the participation of youths in relevant CBD meetings, and organizing a global youth and biodiversity summit	Fully implemented	Youth capacity-building webinars to support their participation in the SBSTTA-21, November 2017	6		GYBN	JBF
			African Regional Youth Capacity-Building Workshop on Biodiversity, Muldersdrift, South Africa, 11-20 August 2017	46	16	GYBN, South Africa	JBF, South Africa
			Regional Youth Capacity-Building Workshop on Biodiversity for Latin America and the Caribbean, Bogota, 2-5 May 2017	28	13	GYBN, Alexander von Humboldt Institute	JBF
			Youth from Asia and Latin America and the Caribbean trained to become “Agents of Change” in support of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, Singapore, from 22 to 27 May 2017	29	19	GYBN, National Parks Board of Singapore	JBF, Singapore
			Youth from Africa Trained to become Change Agents for Biodiversity, 14 to 19 August 2017 in Johannesburg, South Africa.	50	11	Department of Environmental Affairs of South Africa, Umwelt und Entwicklung/D NR Forum	JBF
2017-2018	#13. Develop a revised CEPA toolkit and make it available	Partially implemented	CEPA toolkit currently in development in collaboration with			UNDP	

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	through the CHM		UNDP				
2017-2020	#14. Develop and make available technical tools and guidelines on implementation of surveys to assess levels of public awareness	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#15. Facilitate the development of generic (model) K-university biodiversity-related curricula for use at the national and regional levels with full and effective participation of IPLCs	Not yet implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 2							
2017-2018	#16. Support capacity-building for mainstreaming biodiversity into development processes, poverty eradication and the implementation of the 2030 Agenda	Fully implemented	Pilot projects on mainstreaming biodiversity, biodiversity planning and poverty reduction in Ecuador, Sri Lanka, Antigua and Barbuda, Botswana, Ethiopia, Malawi and Burundi	N/A	7	CONDESAN, Government ministries, EFL, SANBI, UNEP-WCMC	JBF
2017-2018	#17. Develop a toolkit to guide the integration of biodiversity and ecosystem services into public urban infrastructure development	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#18. Organize capacity-building workshops on ecosystem accounting	Fully implemented	The Secretariat contributed to the series of global webinars held by the CBD-BIOFIN regional technical support nodes			UNDP BIOFIN initiative	
2017-2020	#19. Develop e-learning material on ecosystem accounting	Fully implemented	BIOFIN Regional Nodes				
2017-2020	#20. Compile and make available examples of case studies or success stories of mainstreaming biodiversity across key sectors and subnational and local governments, including IPLC stories, through a platform with the CHM	Not yet implemented					

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Aichi Biodiversity Target 3							
2017-2018	#21. Develop guidance and learning materials on the full implementation of Aichi Target 3 on incentive measures, including a set of good practice cases studies and lessons learned	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#22. Develop an e-learning tool on the full implementation of Aichi target 3 on incentive measures and the milestones for its adoption, including a set of good practice cases and lessons learned	Not yet implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 4							
2017-2018	#23. Develop guidance and learning materials for business on options to contribute to the implementation of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets	Partially implemented	During SBI 2, the issue of guidance for reporting by businesses on their actions related to biodiversity was included as an agenda item (9-13 July 2018)				
2017-2018	#24. Organize technical workshops on business and biodiversity reporting.	Not yet implemented					
2017-2018	#25. Develop a good practice guide on identifying and assessing biodiversity and ecosystem services values for businesses	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#26. Develop guidelines and capacity-building materials for urban-based biodiversity and ecosystems	Partially implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 4 and others (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 18 and 20)							
2017-2020	#27. Promote technical and scientific cooperation among Parties on tourism development in sensitive coastal and marine	Fully implemented	Capacity of Southern African Countries to Develop Tourism Partnerships and Concessions in Protected Areas Enhanced,	12 (5:7)	8	IUCN TAPAS Group, ANAC	Republic of Korea (BBI), German

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	ecosystems		Maputo, Mozambique from 27-28 June 2017				
			Training Workshop on Tourism Partnerships and Concessions in Protected Areas, Windhoek, Namibia, 20-21 June 2017	11 (5:6)	6	IUCN TAPAS Group, Gov't of Namibia	Republic of Korea (BBI), German
			Training Workshop on Tourism Partnerships and Concessions in Protected Areas, Wetland Park, South Africa, 30 May – 2 June 2017	32 (12:20)	13	IUCN TAPAS Group, iSimangaliso Wetland Park, South Africa	Republic of Korea (BBI), Germany
2017-2020	#28. Organize training activities (seminars and online courses) on sustainable tourism with partners.	Partially implemented					
2017-2020	#29. Review, publish and promote the new "User's Guidelines on Biodiversity and Tourism Development"	Not yet implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 5, 14 and 15							
2017-2020	#30. Organize and facilitate regional capacity-building workshops on the design of national restoration assessments and plans to achieve Targets 5, 14 and 15	Partially implemented	Capacity-development workshop for Central, Eastern and Southern Africa on the restoration of forests and other ecosystems, Durban, South Africa, 2 - 6 October 2017	26 (18:8)	25	Government of South Africa	Republic of Korea (FERI)
			Capacity-building workshop for the Mediterranean on the restoration of forests and other ecosystems, Agadir, Morocco, 20-24 March 2017	12 (8:4)	11	FAO, Government of South Africa	Republic of Korea (FERI)
2017-2018	#31. Develop a training package for the restoration workshops	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#32. Provide technical support to enable Parties to implement pilot projects in the context of the Forest Ecosystem Restoration Initiative	Partially implemented					

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	(FERI)						
2017-2020	#33. Identify and make available best practices and lessons learned in the design of national restoration plans	Partially implemented					
2017-2020	#34. Conduct/compile and disseminate case studies showcasing how countries are practically working towards reaching targets 5, 11, 14 and 15 in a coordinated manner	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#35. Support the efforts of the Parties in implementing the short-term action plan on ecosystem restoration by facilitating CB activities (including south-south cooperation workshops) and updating the information on guidance, tools and initiatives relating to ecosystem restoration and making it available through the CHM	Partially implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 5 and other forest-related targets (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20)							
2017-2020	#36. Develop and implement targeted CB activities to support the implementation of forest Aichi targets and streamline forest-related reporting and linkages to Sustainable Development Goals	Fully implemented	CBD supported six ecosystem restoration projects in Bhutan, Cambodia, Kenya, Madagascar, Mexico and Peru in 2017				
2017-2020	#37. Organize two regional workshops, in collaboration with relevant partners, on sustainable wildlife management, including legal reforms, regional collaboration, involvement of local	Partially implemented	Forest restoration workshop in Kenya (29 January - 1 February 2018), Fiji (5-9 February 2018)	41			JBF

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	communities, law enforcement techniques and transnational enforcement operations						
Aichi Biodiversity Target 6, 10 and 11							
2017-2020	#38. Conduct regional capacity-building workshops and dialogues on various marine issues through the Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI)	Fully implemented	SOI Capacity-Building Workshop for the Wider Caribbean and Central America; San José, Costa Rica, 20 - 24 February 2017	63 (36:27)	18	Government of Costa Rica, Caribbean Environment Programme	JBF
			SOI Subregional Capacity-building Workshop for the Coral Triangle, 31 July - 3 August 2018, Jakarta, Indonesia				
2017-2020	#39. Conduct national level training and learning exchange workshops through the SOI	Fully implemented	SOI National Capacity-Building Workshop for Cameroon, Yaoundé, 17 - 19 January 2018	36 (23:13)	1	GOBI	JBF, Republic of Korea (SOI)
2017-2020	#40. Conduct global training of trainers workshops through SOI	Fully implemented	SOI Training of Trainers Workshop, Seochon, Republic of Korea, 25 - 29 September 2017	16 (10:6)	17	Korea National Marine Biodiversity Institute	Republic of Korea (SOI), JBF
2017-2020	#41. Further develop and refine the SOI knowledge-sharing mechanism and make it accessible through the CHM	Partially implemented	https://www.cbd.int/soi/				
2017-2020	#42. Organize training to facilitate the use of the training manual on using traditional knowledge in the application of the criteria for ecologically or biologically significant marine areas	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#43. Facilitate CB to facilitate the implementation of the voluntary specific work plan for biodiversity in cold-water areas within the jurisdictional scope of the	Partially implemented					

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	Convention						
2017-2020	#44. Facilitate CB to facilitate the implementation of the voluntary practical guidance on preventing and mitigating the impacts of marine debris on marine and coastal biodiversity and habitats	Partially implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 7							
2017-2020	#45. Conduct joint training and capacity-building workshops on integrating biodiversity and ecosystem services into sustainable food and agricultural production in collaboration with FAO and other partners	Partially implemented	Webinar on Sustainable Use of Pollinators organized through the Regions for Biodiversity Learning Platform, 7 March 2018	18	6 regions	R4BLP	
2017-2020	#46. Develop joint training materials and guidelines, including e-learning modules, on integrating biodiversity and ecosystem services into sustainable food and agricultural production with FAO and other partners, such as IPLCs.	Not yet implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 9							
2017-2020	#47. Organize capacity-building workshops on management of invasive alien species (IAS), including pests and diseases	Fully implemented	Capacity-building workshop for Caribbean small island developing States, Kingston on IAS, Jamaica, 18-22 September 2017	21	12	CARICOM, Government of Jamaica, Great Britain Non-native Species Secretariat, CABI, Caribbean Community, UN Environment	JBF
2017-2020	#48. Organize workshops to support implementation of Aichi Target 9 and operational objective	Partially implemented	Expert Workshop on Invasive Alien Species in Preparation for the twenty-second meeting of the	17	8		EU

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	2.3 of the Strategic Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety 2011-2020		Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice 6 - 9 December 2017 - Montreal, Canada				
2017-2020	#49. Develop, in collaboration with the GIASIP, an IAS surveillance tool to enable Parties to access and use global IAS data resources for national IAS management planning, monitoring and reporting and organize a series of webinars on how to use the tool	Partially implemented	Prototype stage				
2017-2020	#50. Organize training workshops to build CB of key actors in SIDS to design and submit good quality project proposals on IAS	Partially implemented	Post-workshop webinar for Caribbean small island developing States towards achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 9				
Aichi Biodiversity Target 10 and 11							
2017-2020	#51. Develop and promote the use of marine spatial planning tools and guidance materials, in collaboration with relevant partner organizations	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#52. Conduct regional or subregional workshops to facilitate the description of areas meeting the ecologically or biologically significant marine areas (EBSA) criteria and identification of biologically significant wetlands and mangroves	Fully implemented	Regional Workshop to Facilitate the Description of Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas in the Baltic Sea and Training Session on EBSAs, Helsinki, 19- 24 February 2018	23 (12:11)	7	HELCOM	Finland, Sweden
			Pre-workshop training and webinar in preparation for the Regional Workshop to Facilitate the Description of Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas (EBSAs) in the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea and Training	29 (17:12)	10	ACCOBAMS, Duke University	JBF, EU

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			Session on Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas; Baku, 24 - 29 April 2017				
			Expert Workshop to Develop Options for Modifying the Description of Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas (EBSAs), for Describing New Areas, 5-8 December 2017 - Berlin, Germany	47 (32:15)	29	Strathclyde Centre for Environmental Law and Governance	Germany, Sweden
Aichi Biodiversity Target 11							
2017-2018	#53. Develop technical tools and guidance on the use of the term “other effective area-based conservation measures” and how to achieve elements of Target 11 (through meetings and consultations with partners)	Partially implemented	Compilation of experiences on measures to enhance integration and mainstreaming of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures into the wider land and seascapes and across sectors and effective governance models for management of protected areas			IUCN, GIZ and UNDP	
2017-2018	#54. Produce and disseminate technical tools and guidance materials on protected areas and integration of protected areas into the wider landscape and seascape and relevant sectors (e.g. tourism, agriculture, mining and infrastructure)	Partially implemented					
2017-2020	#55. Conduct regional workshops in the context of the Peace and Biodiversity Dialogue Initiative (PBDI) to establish priorities for transboundary conservation, including participation of IPLCs	Partially implemented	Knowledge-sharing event on the contributions of the Like-Minded Megadiverse Countries to the achievement of Aichi Target 11, Montreal, QC, Canada 12 December 2017	60			

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2017-2020	#56. Provide online learning courses on the elements of Target 11 (tailored to specific regions and gaps in implementation)	Partially implemented	Biodiversity E-learning platform currently contains 17 modules on protected areas https://www.cbd.int/protected/e-learning/default.shtml				
Aichi Biodiversity Target 14							
2017-2020	#57. Co-convene targeted regional and subregional technical workshops on biodiversity and health, including health systems of IPLCs and indigenous women	Fully implemented	Regional Capacity-building Workshop on Biodiversity and Human Health for the European Region, Helsinki, 23-25 October 2017	70	28	WHO, Government of Finland	Finland EU
			Regional Capacity-building Workshop on Biodiversity and Health for the ASEAN Region (5-7 November 2018, Manila, Philippines)				
2017-2020	#58. Develop, in collaboration with relevant organizations including indigenous women organizations, training materials and tools to mainstream and raise awareness of biodiversity and health linkages	Not yet implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 14 and 8							
2017-2020	#59. Develop training materials and guidelines to improve the contribution of inland water biodiversity and ecosystem services to natural disaster risk reduction (DRR)	Not yet implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 14, 15 and 7							
2017-2020	#60. Facilitate capacity-building activities for Parties to promote ecosystem-based solutions/ approaches to climate change	Fully implemented	Regional Dialogue and Learning Mission, Southern Africa; Durban, South Africa, 2-6 October 2017	46 (25:21)	20	SwedBio	EU and SwedBio
			Regional Dialogue and Learning	47	13	SwedBio	EU and SwedBio

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	adaptation and disaster risk reduction (DRR)		Mission in the Pacific; Suva, Fiji, 23-27 October 2017	(28:19)			
			Technical Workshop to Review the Voluntary Guidelines for the Design and Effective Implementation of Ecosystem-based Approaches to Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction, 20 - 22 November 2017 - Bonn, Germany	50 (27:23)	21	UNFCCC, UNISDR	EU, Government of Sweden, Government of Germany
			Regional dialogue and Learning Mission in South America; Bogota, 27 November to 1 December 2017	19 (5:14)	10	SwedBio	EU and SwedBio
			Regional Dialogue on Integrating Climate Change and Biodiversity Action at the National Level in Asia, Manila Philippines, 9-12 October 2018				
			Workshop on Biodiversity and Climate Change: Integrated Science for Coherent Policy, 18 October 2018, Paris, France				
2017-2020	#61. Continue to collaborate with the Least Developed Countries Expert Group of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change on organizing training workshops for the integration of biodiversity conservation and sustainable use into national adaptation plans (NAPs)	Fully implemented	Regional Training Workshop on National Adaptation Plans for Latin America and the Caribbean, San Jose, Costa Rica, 4-7 September 2017	41 (18:23)	26	UNFCCC LEG, J-CCCP NAP Global Network	

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2017-2020	#62. Provide helpdesk support to enable countries to integrate dry and sub-humid lands concerns into NBSAPs and national development planning	Not yet implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 17							
2017-2020	#63. Assist Parties in their NBSAP implementation efforts by providing technical and capacity-building support	Fully implemented	Countries were assisted in developing proposals and implementing on-the-ground activities with concrete and measurable outputs that directly helps them to move forward in the implementation of the NBSAPs		7	CONDESAN, MEPA Trust, SANBI, UNEP-WCMC, Environmental Foundation Ltd	JBF
2017-2018	#64. Implement a pilot project and develop capacity-building materials/ tools (including guidelines and good practice toolkits) on incorporation of spatial biodiversity data, and socioeconomic data, into the biodiversity planning process and NBSAPs implementation, drawing on results from the pilot project	Fully implemented	Demonstration project on “Development of a solid monitoring plan for the Ecuadorian national biodiversity strategy and action plan in Ecuador”		1	CONDESAN	JBF
			Pilot Project on Valuing Ecosystem Services for Biodiversity Protection in Antigua & Barbuda		1	MEPA Trust	JBF
			Demonstration / pilot project on testing a methodology for mapping biodiversity priorities in Botswana, Ethiopia and Malawi		3	SANBI, UNEP-WCMC	JBF
			Pilot project on integration of conservation priorities in Sri Lanka’s economic development plans		1	Environmental Foundation Ltd	JBF
			Pilot project on mainstreaming biodiversity into the Poverty Reduction Strategy and key sectoral ministries in Burundi		1		JBF

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2017-2020	#65. Enhance the capacity of local governments to adopt and implement NBSAPs	Partially implemented					JBF
2017-2020	#66. Provide technical support to a second group of 5 to 10 pilot national projects to enable Parties to document and share experiences and lessons learned in their NBSAP development and revision processes	Partially implemented					
2017-2018	#67. Prepare capacity-building materials/tools on the NBSAP revision and implementation (based on outcomes of the second phase of pilot projects on NBSAP processes)	Partially implemented	Japan Biodiversity Fund provided technical support. Countries were assisted in developing proposals and implementing on-the-ground activities with concrete and measurable outputs that directly helps them to move forward in the implementation of the NBSAPs				
Aichi Biodiversity Target 18 and 16							
2017-2020	#68. Organize training of trainers' programmes on traditional knowledge (TK), associated with genetic resources for indigenous peoples and local communities (IPLCs) and national focal points for TK	Fully implemented	Four regional training workshops to develop national action plans on Traditional Knowledge: Latin America and the Caribbean (2-6 April 2018, Tepoztlan, Mexico); Pacific (21-25 May 2018, Whangarei, New Zealand); Asia (27-31 July 2018, Kandy, Sri Lanka); Africa (8 -12 October 2018, Marrakesh, Morocco)				
			Local capacity-building workshops on traditional knowledge and customary sustainable use conducted using train-the-trainer approaches, Philippines (27-31 January 2017), Nepal (19-22				

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			February 2017), Sri Lanka (20-22 February 2017) and Thailand (9–11 March 2017)				
2017-2018	#69. Develop and make available culturally appropriate capacity-building materials including in local languages	Partially implemented					
2017-2020	#70. Provide grants and further technical support to indigenous and local community organizations to organize subnational workshops and support them in these workshops (see activity 65 above)	Partially implemented					
2017-2020	#71. Provide online and other support to the trainers trained	Fully implemented	Online Forum in Preparation for the Capacity Development Programme on national arrangements on Traditional Knowledge for achieving Target 18 and contributing to Target 16 of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 (30 November 2017)	181		UNDP, IIFB, IWNB	
Aichi Biodiversity Target 19							
2017-2020	#72. Organize regional capacity-building workshops to provide support to Parties in the establishment and maintenance of their national clearing-house mechanism (CHM) in line with the web strategy and the work programme for the CHM in support of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020	Fully implemented	Sub-regional training workshop on the harmonization of the Clearing-House Mechanism and the Biodiversity Management Programme National Biodiversity Databases; Addis Ababa, 9 – 13 April 2017	27 (24:3)	7	IGAD, RBINS	Belgium
			Francophone African Countries Trained to Strengthen National Clearing-house Mechanism, from 2 to 5 May 2017 in Lomé, Togo	19	10	IGAD, RBINS	Belgian Cooperation

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			Regional Workshop for Asia on the Clearing-House Mechanism, Bangkok, Thailand, 29 January – 2 February 2018	14 (8:6)	14	ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity (ACB)	JBF
			Subregional Workshop for Arabic-speaking Countries on the Clearing-House Mechanism, Cairo, Egypt, 5-9 March 2018	11 (7:4)	16	RBINS, Government of Egypt	Government of Egypt, JBF
2017-2020	#73. Organize science-policy interface workshops and “biodiversity knowledge fairs/Expos” to facilitate exchange of the latest scientific knowledge and technological developments relevant to biodiversity and foster exchanges between scientists, policy-makers and practitioners	Partially implemented					
2017-2020	#74. Develop guidebooks and pilot online courses on technical and scientific matters based on the countries’	Not yet implemented					
Aichi Biodiversity Target 20							
2017-2018	#75. Update the practical guidance on national financial reporting and implementation of the resource mobilization targets	Not yet implemented					
2017-2018	#76. Cooperate with UNDP to leverage technical support and capacity-building provided the Biodiversity Finance Initiative (BIOFIN) to assist non-BIOFIN countries and IPLCs	Fully implemented	Contribution to a series of global webinars and the associated technical support provided by the CBD-BIOFIN Regional Technical Support Nodes				
2017-2020	#77. Cooperate with GEF Secretariat to leverage capacity-building and synergy among	Partially implemented					

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	conventions through the GEF expanded constituency workshops						
2017-2018	#78. Operate help desk providing tailored technical support and capacity-building for financial reporting to Parties	Fully implemented	<p>Help desk set up and nine regional webinars conducted for Parties on the guidelines and the online reporting tool for the sixth national report.</p> <p>The Secretariat prepared an online version of the Financial Reporting Framework for the second round of financial reporting, and informed Parties by notification 2017- 061.</p>		30		

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Cross-cutting activities (all Aichi Biodiversity Targets) - Global Strategy for Plant Conservation							
	#79. Organize targeted capacity-building activities to support the implementation of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation (GSPC)	Fully implemented	Regional training courses on Plant Red Listing (Haiti, November 2017), Indonesia (February 2018), Madagascar, Ethiopia and Kenya (March 2018)	49		The Jardin Botanique des Cayes (Haïti)	JBF
			Seed conservation training course (Kathmandu, 5–8 September 2017)				JBF
			National seed conservation training course (Jammu and Kashmir, India, May 2018)	23		Kenya Forestry Research Institute, Kenya Wildlife Service	JBF

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Cross-cutting activities (all Aichi Biodiversity Targets) – Global Taxonomy Initiative							
2017-2020	#80. Organize training of trainers courses on the application of molecular technology for species identification	Fully implemented	Eleven Countries Receive Small Grants to Organize Training Courses on Standard DNA Technologies for Rapid Species Identification, 29 January 2018		11	Guelph University, Biodiversity Institute of Ontario	
Cross-cutting activities (all Aichi Biodiversity Targets) - Gender mainstreaming							
2017-2020	#81. Collect and disseminate relevant information and tools, including on gender and biodiversity, with a view to establishing a knowledge base to inform Parties' actions	Partially implemented	2015–2020 Gender Plan of Action Pocket Guide: Summary and Examples				
2017-2020	#82. Organize further global, regional and subregional capacity-building activities for the exchange of experiences on issues relevant to the Gender Plan of Action, including indigenous women	Partially implemented					
2017-2020	#83. Organize preparatory meetings and training for women, particularly indigenous women leaders prior to each meeting of the Conference of the Parties	Partially implemented	Side event “Building Capacity to Mainstream Gender into National Biodiversity Policies and Programmes” (1 July 2018, Montreal, Canada)	37 (24:13)		United Nations Entity for Gender Equality, Empowerment of Women (UN Women)	
2017-2020	#84. Further develop and make available to Parties learning tools and guidance materials on gender mainstreaming (including the CBD Technical Series No.49), in collaboration with relevant organizations	Partially implemented	Regional Expert Workshop to Develop Training Materials on Gender Equality and Biodiversity for South-East Asia and the Pacific 28 - 30 November 2017 - Bangkok, Thailand			ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity	

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2017-2020	#85. Establish partnerships and networks to engage national actors (women's groups and others) in the promotion of gender mainstreaming under the Convention	Partially implemented					
2017-2020	#86. Conduct a capacity needs assessment in collaboration with gender experts and women, particularly indigenous women	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#87. Collaborate with the Biodiversity Indicators Partnership to seek country-level information to develop and finalize a set of indicators on gender and biodiversity preliminarily identified by the Partnership and suitable for application at national and subnational levels	Not yet implemented					
Cross-cutting activities (all Aichi Biodiversity Targets) - National Reporting							
2017-2020	#88. Organize capacity-building workshops to support Parties in the preparation of their sixth national reports, including the use of the voluntary online reporting tool	Fully implemented	Workshop on the preparation of the sixth national report, Montreal, QC, Canada, 9 December 2017	111	86	UNDP, UN Environment FAO	EU
			Workshop on spatial tools for the preparation of the sixth national report; Montreal, Canada, 10 December 2017	89	72	UNDP, UN Environment FAO	

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Timeline	Activity	Level of implementation	Sub-activity	Participants Gender (M:F)	No. of countries	Partner(s)	Source of funding
2017-2020 Ongoing	#89. Support implementation of the strategic framework for capacity-building for the effective implementation of the Nagoya Protocol	Partially implemented	Side-events on the margins of SBI 2 in Montreal, Canada, from 9 to 13 July 2018			ABS Capacity Development Initiative	
2017-2020	#90. Extend the training workshops organized jointly with IDLO on establishing legal frameworks to implement the Nagoya Protocol to more Parties	Fully implemented	Workshop on “Establishing a Legal Expert Network on ABS in Ten Francophone African Countries” (demonstration project funded through the Bio-Bridge Initiative) 10-11 May 2018 in Rabat, Morocco.		10	International Development Law Organization, UNDP	Republic of Korea (BBI)
			Six courses on establishing legal frameworks to support the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in the following regions: Central Africa (5 March-15 April 2018 in Doula, Cameroon), Asia (28 May- 1 June 2018 in Da Nang, Vietnam), Latin America and the Caribbean (16-23 June 2018 in Santiago, Chile), the Pacific (23-27 July 2018 in Nadi, Fiji), Eastern Europe and Central Asia (Minsk, Belarus, 10-14 September 2018) and West Africa (Senegal, 17-21 September 2018).	115	68	IDLO, UNDP and regional ABS experts, SPREP, GEF-UNDP Global ABS Project, ECLAC, COMIFAC, GIZ, ABS Capacity Development Initiative,	JBF, EU, COMIFAC

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2017-2020	#91. Continue to support the online Global Network on Biodiversity Law where participants in the trainings on establishing legal frameworks to implement the Nagoya Protocol can access updated resources, latest news and continue peer-to-peer learning	Partially implemented	<p>A Global ABS Law Network was created consisting of alumni, experts and partner organizations of the SCBD-IDLO capacity-building programme to support the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on ABS (Reference document CBD/NP/MOP/3/INF/6)</p> <p>5 Global ABS Law Networks Newsletters issued</p> <p>Global ABS Law Network group created on social media (Facebook, WhatsApp, etc.)</p>				
2017-2020	#92. Continue to contribute to capacity-building activities for implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in a mutually supportive manner with the ITPGRFA, including through workshops and the development of materials	Partially implemented	South and Southeast Asia Workshop on mutually supportive implementation of the Nagoya Protocol and the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA), Los Baños, Philippines, 27-30 March 2017	17	8	Biodiversity International, ABS Capacity Development Initiative, ITPGRFA Secretariat, ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity	JBF

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			Workshop for national focal points in Latin America and the Caribbean, 25 to 28 September 2018 in Lima, Peru			Biodiversity International, ABS Capacity Development Initiative, ITPGRFA Secretariat	JBF
2017-2020	#93. Continue to provide on-demand technical support to Parties and organize capacity-building and outreach activities, including through webinars, videos and presentations to increase participation in the ABS-CH	Partially implemented	Proactive outreach campaign to build awareness and increase engagement as well as on demand technical support. Provided on-demand capacity building trainings for the use of the ABS-CH				
			13 face-to-face trainings into relevant regional events as well as host four remote training (webinars) on the ABS Clearing-house (8 were for Africa, 5 were for GRULAC, 3 were for Asia and the Pacific, and 1 for WEOG)				JBF
			A video on monitoring the utilization of genetic resources (English, French, Spanish and Arabic)			ABS Capacity Development Initiative	

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			A fact sheet was developed in English and French on the “mutually supportive implementation of the Nagoya Protocol and the Plant Treaty”			Biodiversity International	
			The ABS Clearing-house Step-by-Step Guide Series was published to assist Parties and other users to publish information.				
2017-2020	#94. Continue to support capacity-building in the use of the ABS-CH by organizing trainings and side events, facilitating ABS-CH sessions in meetings organized by partners, and translating and updating ABS-CH training materials	Partially implemented	Countries Share Experiences on Capacity-building for Enhanced Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing, 9 to 13 July 2018 in Montreal, Canada			ABS Capacity Development Initiative	
			Caribbean Countries Learn About the Access and Benefit-Sharing Clearing-House and Contract Development, St. George, Grenada, from 27 to 29 November 2017	15	9	IUCN UN Environment	GEF
2017-2020	#95. Train communicators and disseminate the ABS awareness-raising toolkit developed during 2015-2016, including by participating in ABS awareness-raising activities at subregional and regional levels	Partially implemented	CEPA tool-kit including considerations on access and benefit-sharing (https://www.cbd.int/abs/doc/cepa-toolkit-en.pdf)				

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2019-2020	#96. Update the eight e-learning modules developed jointly with IDLO to support Parties in establishing legal frameworks to implement the Nagoya Protocol	Fully implemented	E-learning modules developed jointly with IDLO available on the Biodiversity E-learning Platform			IDLO	

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Timeline	Activity	Level of implementation	Sub-activity	Participants Gender (M:F)	No. of countries	Partner(s)	Source of funding
2017-2018	#97. Develop capacity-building materials and guidelines on mainstreaming biosafety into NBSAPs and national development plans	Fully implemented	Module and toolkit on mainstreaming biosafety available on the Biodiversity E-learning Platform			Strathclyde University	JBF
2017-2018	#98. Organize subregional trainings on mainstreaming biosafety into NBSAP and development plans, making use of the above e-learning module and toolkit, in collaboration with partners	Fully implemented	Sub-regional workshop for the Asian region in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, from 6 to 10 November 2017	28 (16:12)	10		JBF
			Regional workshop for Latin America and the Caribbean, Mexico City, Mexico from 16 to 20 April 2018	42 (19:23)	11		JBF

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2017-2020	#99. Support selected developing countries to implement pilot projects to develop and apply practical measures and approaches for integrated implementation of the Cartagena Protocol and the CBD at the national level and share emerging good practices and lessons learned	Fully implemented			10		JBF
2017-2020	#100. Organize training courses in risk assessment of LMOs	Partially implemented	Latin American Training Course on Risk Assessment of Living Modified Organisms, 20 - 24 August 2018, Panama City, Panama	40	15		Korea Biosafety Capacity-Building Initiative
			Training course on Risk Assessment of LMOs for Central and Eastern Europe in Minsk, Belarus from 24 to 28 September 2018	15			UNSD
2017-2020	#101. Develop e-learning modules on risk assessment of LMOs	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#102. Organize regional and subregional training courses to enable Parties to implement the LMO identification requirements of paragraph 2 (a) of Article 18 and related decisions	Partially implemented	Customs and Border Control Officers in the Pacific learn about the identification and documentation requirements under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, Suva, Fiji, from 27 to 29 March 2017	39 (30:9)	11	Government of Fiji	JBF

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2017-2020	#103. Organize workshops on sampling, detection and identification of LMOs	Partially implemented	Workshop on Detection and Identification of Living Modified Organisms for Francophone Africa; Tunis, 5-9 March 2018	19 (16:3)	17	National Gene Bank of Tunisia, Tunisian Ministry of Local Affairs and Environment	Republic of Korea (Biosafety CapB Initiative)
			Asia-Pacific Workshop on the Detection and Identification of Living Modified Organisms, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 20-24 March 2017	22 (5:17)	13	Government of Malaysia	JBF
2017-2020	#104. Organize online discussions and knowledge-sharing sessions through the Network of Laboratories on the detection and identification of LMOs	Partially implemented	Online discussion on the detection and identification of Living Modified Organisms (2-16 April 2018)	16	13	Network of Laboratories for the Detection and Identification of Living Modified Organisms	
			Webinar for the Asia-Pacific region to promote a science-policy dialogue on the detection and identification of living modified organisms (26 January 2018)	35	10		
2017-2020	#105. Organize subregional workshops on public awareness and education concerning LMOs	Partially implemented	Pacific Regional Training Workshop on the Biosafety Clearing House Mechanism; Nadi, Fiji, 20-23 June 2017	15	8	UN Environment	GEF

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2017-2020	#106. Organize training courses on public participation and public access to information, to advance the implementation of the Programme of Work on public awareness, education, and public participation concerning LMOs	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#107. Develop, in collaboration with relevant organizations, training materials on sampling, detection and identification of LMOs	Fully implemented					
2017-2020	#108. Develop learning materials on public awareness and education concerning LMOs	Partially implemented	E-learning modules on public awareness, education and participation https://scbd.unssc.org/course/index.php?categoryid=9				
2017-2020	#109. Support online networks and communities of practice to facilitate exchange of knowledge, experiences and lessons learned on PAEP	Not yet implemented					
2017-2020	#110. Organize workshops to raise awareness of the Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress	Fully implemented	Asian Subregional Workshop on Strengthening Capacities for the Integrated Implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, the Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress and the Convention on Biological Diversity; Kuala Lumpur, 6-10 November 2017	28 (16:12)	10	Government of Malaysia	JBF

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			African regional workshop on strengthening capacities for the integrated implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, the Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress and the Convention on Biological Diversity; Lilongwe, 19-23 February 2018	26 (16:10)	10	Government of Malawi (Department of Environmental Affairs)	JBF