Approaches to identifying scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Framework, including its implication for the programmes of work of the Convention

Draft recommendation submitted by the Chair

The Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice,

Recalling paragraph 8 of decision 15/4 of 19 December 2022, in which the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity\(^1\) decided that the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework should be used as a strategic plan for the implementation of the Convention and its Protocols, its bodies and its Secretariat over the period 2022–2030, and that in this regard the Framework should be used to better align and direct the work of the various bodies of the Convention and its Protocols, its Secretariat and its budget according to the goals and targets of the Framework,

1. Takes note of document CBD/SBSTTA/25/4, which contains the results of the initial rapid analysis of programmes of work of the Convention and some of the related guidance, guidelines and tools produced under the Convention with regard to the goals and targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, and notes the need for further analysis;

2. Requests that the Executive Secretary, building on the initial results of the rapid analysis:

(a) Undertake a comprehensive review and analysis of existing tools and guidance that can support the implementation of the targets and other elements of the Framework, including those developed under the Convention, in particular guidance on cross-cutting issues, assessments of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and tools and guidance developed under other relevant multilateral environment agreements, intergovernmental organizations, United Nations agencies, such as the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and other relevant intergovernmental organizations in a manner consistent with their respective mandates;

(b) Compile views and information from Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, the secretariats of other multilateral environmental agreements, relevant

intergovernmental bodies and organizations and relevant stakeholders, including by using the Clearing-House Mechanism, as inputs for undertaking the comprehensive review and analysis, and make the compilation and the findings of the review and analysis available for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its twenty-sixth meeting;

(c) Identify gaps and redundancies to support the implementation of the goals and targets of the Framework, in line with the mandates of the Convention, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its twenty-sixth meeting, [with a view to addressing those gaps ][and potential needs for updates];

(d) On the basis on the analysis carried out in subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c) above, prepare technical advice, including, as appropriate, recommendations for the adjustment of work undertaken under the Convention, including the multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties, programmes of work of the Convention and the programme of work, organization and budget of the Secretariat, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its twenty sixth meeting or the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its fourth meeting, as appropriate, and subsequent consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting; such guidance may include the new guidance and tools to address gaps or updates, as needed;

3. Invites relevant multilateral environmental agreements, intergovernmental organizations, in line with their respective mandates, to contribute to the work described in paragraph 3, including through the Bern Process, in particular with regard to guidance developed under their respective processes that could support the implementation of the targets and other elements of the Framework;

4. Invites Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, [biodiversity-related conventions, the other Rio Conventions, other relevant multilateral agreements,]and relevant intergovernmental organizations and stakeholders to submit views [on requests, inputs and suggestions] related to the work programme of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and the potential contribution of the Platform in addressing the scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Framework and the global review of collective progress, and requests the Executive Secretary to compile those views and make them available for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its twenty six meeting.

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