**High-Level Segment**

2020 United Nations Biodiversity Conference, Kunming, China

“Ecological Civilization - Building a Shared Future for All Life on Earth”

**Final agenda**

12-13 October 2021

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| **Session and time (Kunming, GMT+8)** | **12-13 October 2021** |
| **Tuesday, 12 October 2021** |
| **LEADERS’ SUMMIT****14:00-15:00** | **Leaders’ Remarks*** Leaders from China
* Invited Leaders from Parties
* Secretary-General of the United Nations
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| **MINISTERIAL SEGMENT****PLENARY****15:30-18:00**  | * **Remarks:**
	+ H.E. Mr. Huang Runqiu, Minister of Ecology and Environment of China and COP 15 President
	+ Ms. Inger Andersen, Executive Director, United Nations Environment Programme
	+ Ms. Elizabeth Mrema, Executive Secretary, Convention on Biological Diversity
* **Moderated Discussion: “Ecological Civilization - Building a Shared Future for All Life on Earth”**

Moderated by: H.E. Mr. Huang Runqiu, Minister of Ecology and Environment of China* + ***Setting the Scene:***

- Ms. Anne Larigauderie, Executive Secretary, Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services - Ms. Anne Nuorgam, Chair United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous issues* + ***Panel 1: What does Ecological Civilization mean for food, health, jobs, trade and education?***

- Mr. Qu Dongyu, Director General, FAO- Dr. Zsuzsanna Jakab, Deputy Director-General, WHO- Ms. Chihoko Asada-Miyakawa, Assistant Director-General and Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific, ILO- Mr. QU Xing, Deputy Director General, UNESCO * + ***Panel 2: Aligning finance and building capacity for an ecological civilization***

- Mr. David Malpass, President, The World Bank - Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO, GEF - Mr. Achim Steiner, Administrator, UNDP * + ***Panel 3: Promoting synergistic action for biodiversity, climate, land and oceans***

- Mr. Ibrahim Thiaw, Executive Secretary, UNCCD- Ms. Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary, UNFCCC- Mr. Peter Thomson, UN Special Envoy for the Oceans- Mr. Bruno Oberle, Director General, IUCN- Ms. Rebecca Lent, Executive Secretary, International Whaling Commission, on behalf of the Liaison Group of Biodiversity-related Conventions * + ***Visionary statement***

- Ms. Josefa Cariño Tauli, Young Indigenous Leader* + ***Final remarks:***

- H.E. Mr. Huang Runqiu, Minister of Ecology and Environment of China |
| **MINISTERIAL SEGMENT****FIRST PARALLEL ROUND-TABLE SESSIONS****19:00-22:00**  | **Round table A: Putting biodiversity on a Path to Recovery:**  Investing in conservation, restoration and sustainable use of biodiversity, and addressing the main drivers of biodiversity loss across landscapes and seascapes, engaging all people.* *Co-chaired by Mr. Zhao Yingmin, Vice Minister of Ecology and Environment of China and H.E. Yasmine Fouad Minister of Environment of Egypt*
	+ Opening remarks: H.E. Yasmine Fouad, Minister of Environment of Egypt, Co-chair
	+ Introduction to the topic by two internationally renowned experts:

- Prof. Sandra Diaz, University of Cordoba, Argentina and Co-chair IPBES Global Assessment - Mr. Wei Fuwen, Zoology Institute, Chinese Academy of Sciences* + Interventions by ministers
	+ Closing remarks: *Mr. Zhao Yingmin, Vice Minister of Ecology and Environment of China. Co-chair*
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|  | **Round table B: Closing the Financing Gap and ensuring the means of implementation:** Transforming incentives, mobilizing resources and aligning all financial flows to support biodiversity, including through COVID-19 economic recovery programmes.* *Co-chaired by Mr. Guo Lanfeng, Deputy Secretary General, National Development and Reform Commission of China and H.E. Ms. Barbara Pompili, Minister of Ecological Transition of France*
	+ Opening remarks: H.E. Ms. Barbara Pompili, Minister of Ecological Transition of France, Co-Chair
	+ Introduction to the topic by two internationally renowned experts

- Sir Partha Dasgupta, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland - Mr. Ma Jun, Chairman of China Green Finance Committee, President of Beijing Institute of Finance and Sustainability, Co-chair of the G20 Sustainable Finance Working Group* + Interventions by ministers
	+ Closing remarks: Mr. Guo Lanfeng, Deputy Secretary General, National Development and Reform Commission of China, Co-Chair
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| **Wednesday, 13 October 2021** |
| **MINISTERIAL SEGMENT****SECOND PARALLEL ROUND-TABLE SESSIONS****10:00-12:30** | **Round table C: Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Development:** Deploying biodiversity and ecosystem-based approaches (“nature-based solution”) to contribute to the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals and related goals for climate change and food security; Linkages to UNFCCC COP 26 and the UN Food Systems Summit. * *Cochaired by Mr. Zhang Zhanhai, Vice Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources of China and H.E.* Mr. Akif Özkaldi*, Vice Minister of Agriculture and Forestry of Turkey*
	+ Opening remarks: H.E. Mr. Akif Özkaldi, Vice Minister of Agriculture and Forestry of Turkey, Co-chair
	+ Introduction to the topic by two internationally renowned experts

- Prof. Luthando Dziba, Head: Conservation Services, South African National Parks and Co-chair, IPBES Multidisciplinary Expert Panel - Mr. Gao Jixi, Director General, Satellite remote sensing Centre, Minister of Ecology and Environment, China* + Interventions by ministers
	+ Closing remarks: Mr. Zhang Zhanhai, Vice Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources of China, Co-chair
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|  | **Round table D: Knowledge, Innovation and Benefit-Sharing:**  Ensuring that everyone benefits from biodiversity related knowledge, technologies and innovations, including through technology assessment, governance and use * *Cochaired by Mr. Zhang Yaping, Vice President of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and H.E. Mr. Carlos Correa Escaf, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development of Colombia*
	+ Opening remarks: H.E. Mr. Carlos Correa Escaf, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development of Colombia, Co-chair
	+ Introduction to the topic by two internationally renowned experts

- Mr. Ma Keping, Botany Institute, Chinese Academy of Sciences- Prof. Rachel Wynberg, South Africa Research Chair, University of Cape Town* + Interventions by ministers
	+ Closing remarks: Mr. Zhang Yaping, Vice President of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Co-chair
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| **MINISTERIAL SEGMENT****FINAL PLENARY****15:00-17:00**  | *Moderated by H.E. Mr. Huang Runqiu, Minister of Ecology and Environment of China** Report back from the Co-Chairs of the round tables
* Adoption of the Kunming Declaration
* Statements by regions
* Statements by non-Party stakeholder groups:
	+ Indigenous peoples and local communities (IIFB)
	+ Subnational and local governments (ICLEI)
	+ Civil society (CBD Alliance)
	+ Women (CBD Women Caucus)
	+ INGOs (Birdlife International)
	+ Business (Natura)
	+ Business Representative of China (Mengniu Group)
	+ Finance (Amundi)
	+ Academia and Research (Consortium of Scientific Partners-The Smithsonian)
	+ Youth (GYBN)
* Closing remarks:
	+ Ms. Elizabeth Mrema, Executive Secretary, Convention on Biological Diversity
	+ H.E. Mr. Huang Runqiu, Minister of Ecology and Environment of China and COP 15 President
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