**High-Level Segment**

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“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 |
| **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 |
| **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 |
| **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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