

Agenda item 6 (a)

Scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework: strategic review and analysis of the programmes of work under the Convention in the context of the Framework

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Non-paper

The Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice,

Acknowledging the contribution of the existing thematic programmes of work and cross-cutting areas of work since their establishment to the implementation and work of the Convention and its Protocols, its bodies and its Secretariat,

Recalling decision 15/4 in which the Conference of the Parties 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, and that a strategic review and analysis of the programmes of work should be conducted to facilitate its implementation,

1. *Takes note* of the strategic review and the analysis of all areas of work under the Convention, namely, the thematic programmes of work formally established under the Convention, programmes addressing cross-cutting issues and other areas of work under the Convention in the context of the Framework contained in documents CBD/SBSTTA/27/5/Add.1 and CBD/SBSTTA/27/INF/6;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to forward the report of the strategic review and the analysis of the programmes of work of the Convention in the context of the Framework contained in documents CBD/SBSTTA/27/5/Add.1 and CBD/SBSTTA/27/INF/6 to the Subsidiary Body on Implementation for its consideration of the areas of work under its mandates;

3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to propose a focused, prioritized and time limited rolling schedule for the review and updating to be considered by the Conference of the Parties at its seventeenth meeting in the context of the multi-year programme of work;

4. *Recognising* the need for a more standardised approach for updating areas of work, *requests* the Executive Secretary, in completing the task referred to in paragraph 3 above, to prepare a proposal for approaches to be taken when updating areas of work in order to increase efficiencies and ensure the updates are focused on improving consistency among areas of work and their contribution to the Framework;

5. *Recommends* that, at its seventeenth meeting, the Conference of Parties adopt a decision along the following lines:

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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, and that a strategic review and analysis of the programmes of work should be conducted to facilitate its implementation,

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2. *Recognizes* that some of the programmes of work, cross-cutting issues and other areas of work under the Convention have been updated since its fifteenth meeting or have developed sufficient guidance to support implementation of the Framework;

3. *Decides* that the following areas of work be maintained close to their current form and regularly updated, taking into account recent decisions of the Conference of the Parties as well as work under Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice: [agricultural biodiversity; communication education and public awareness; gender and biodiversity; biodiversity and health; forest biodiversity; monitoring, reporting and review; invasive alien species; island biodiversity; marine and coastal biodiversity; synthetic biology; liability and redress; Global Taxonomy Initiative, protected areas, inland waters biodiversity; and mountain biodiversity;]

4. *Recognizes* that the following areas of work would benefit from being updated to better align them with the Framework in line with the schedule and approach contained in the annex to the present decision: [agricultural biodiversity, Global Taxonomy Initiative, ecosystem restoration, inland waters biodiversity and mountain biodiversity;]

5. *Recognizes* that the following areas of work would benefit from being integrated: [business engagement; capacity-building; climate change and biodiversity; digital sequence information on genetic resources; economics, trade and incentive measures; ecosystem restoration; financial mechanism; Global Strategy for Plant Conservation; mainstreaming; resource mobilization; sustainable use of biodiversity; sustainable wildlife management; technical and scientific cooperation; technology transfer; and tourism and biodiversity;]

6. *Decides* that the following areas of work be led by partner organizations and Parties, noting that all achievements on these topics should continue to be recorded on the website of the Convention and through the clearing-house mechanisms, as information sources: [Biodiversity and cultural diversity, biodiversity for development, dry and subhumid land biodiversity, ecosystem approach and impact assessment];

7. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to carry out an analysis on the implications and potential benefits of integrating the areas of work listed in paragraph 5 above, and present this information for consideration by the appropriate Subsidiary Body or Bodies at a meeting before its eighteenth meeting.

Annex

- Schedule of updating areas of work referred to in paragraph 4 of the draft COP decision
- Standardized approach for updating areas of work referred to in paragraph 4 of SBSTTA recommendation