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Fifteenth meeting – Part II
Agenda item 2

CONFERENCE OF THE
PARTIES SERVING AS
THE MEETING OF THE
PARTIES TO THE
CARTAGENA PROTOCOL
ON BIOSAFETY
Tenth meeting – Part II
Agenda item 2

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES
SERVING AS THE MEETING OF
THE PARTIES TO THE NAGOYA
PROTOCOL ON ACCESS TO
GENETIC RESOURCES AND THE
FAIR AND EQUITABLE SHARING
OF BENEFITS ARISING FROM
THEIR UTILIZATION
Fourth meeting – Part II
Agenda item 2

Montreal, Canada, 7-19 December 2022

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK FOR PART II OF THE MEETINGS

Note by the Executive Secretary

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, and the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from Their Utilization will be held concurrently in two parts, as agreed by the Bureau at its meeting held on 14 July 2021. The first part (Part I) was held online from 11 to 15 October 2021, and the second part (Part II) is to be held in person in Montreal, Canada, from 7 to 19 December 2022.

2. The provisional agendas of the meetings (CBD/COP/15/1/1/Rev.1; CBD/CP/MOP/10/1/Rev.1; CBD/NP/MOP/4/1/Rev.1) were adopted at the first part of the respective meetings, in October 2021. The annotations to the agenda items to be addressed at the second part of the meetings will be made available in document CBD/COP/15/1/Add.3, CBD/CP/MOP/10/1/Add.3 and CBD/NP/MOP/4/1/Add.3.

3. Section II below highlights the plan proposed by the Executive Secretary for holding the second part of the meetings concurrently. The annexes present an overview of the proposed organization of work for the meetings.

4. The general approach for holding the meetings concurrently is based on the experience gained in the organization of the last two meetings (2016 and 2018) of the Conference of the Parties and the last two meetings of the Parties to the Cartagena and Nagoya Protocols.

5. The meetings will be preceded by regional preparatory meetings.

II. SCENARIO NOTE FOR PART II OF THE MEETINGS

A. Overview of the meetings and daily calendar

6. The meetings, comprising the UN Biodiversity Conference, will be held over a two-week period, from 7 to 19 December 2022, preceded by the fifth meeting of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework to be held from 3 to 5 December 2022. A high-level segment at ministerial level will be held from 15 to 17 December. A number of associated events will be held in parallel, including major forums for major stakeholder groups (especially 11-14 December), shorter “side events” at lunchtimes and early evening, and a number of workshops and pavilions. Annex I provides a schematic overview of the Conference.

7. The formal negotiating sessions will take place in various formats:

(a) Plenary and working group sessions: formal seating with interpretation in the six official languages of the United Nations, open to all registered delegates¹ with public webcast;

(b) Contact groups: flexible seating arrangements to facilitate negotiations among Parties, in English only, open to all Parties. The participation of a reasonable number of observers would be facilitated, at the discretion of the chair (or co-chairs) of the contact group, while ensuring priority for Party delegates. The meetings are not public but can be followed online by registered delegates through *Interactio*.

8. As per usual practice, a typical day will comprise three main meeting periods: 10 a.m.–1 p.m. (“morning”), 3-6 p.m. (afternoon) and 7.30 - 10.30 p.m. (evening). Plenary and working group sessions are mostly planned to be held in the morning and afternoon slots, while contact groups are often in the evenings. However, these timings are flexible and subject to change. A preliminary chart of potential sessions is provided in annex II. Prior to the formal morning sessions, delegation and regional group meetings are usually held.

B. Opening of the meetings

9. It is envisaged that the ceremonial part of the opening of the meetings will be held on the evening of Tuesday 6 December 2022, and that the formal procedural opening would take place on Wednesday, 7 December.

10. The Minister of Environment of China, as President of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, or his representative, will declare open the second part of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The President will then open the second part of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the second part of the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol.

11. The President will then convene a joint plenary for the three bodies to hear statements. Welcoming remarks will be also given by a representative of the host Government, Canada. The joint plenary will then hear concise statements on behalf of regional groups and representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities and of major stakeholder groups. Regional groups and observers will be encouraged to present consolidated statements covering the Convention and the Protocols.

C. First plenary sessions of the meetings

12. During the first plenary session, a number of agenda items of the Conference of the Parties and of each meeting of the Parties to the Protocols will be considered. The Conference of the Parties will agree on the organization of work proposed for the concurrent meetings (CBD/COP/15/1/Add.4). It is envisaged that

¹ For reasons of physical space constraints, access to the negotiating rooms may be limited. In such cases, participants may follow the proceedings in an overflow room, or online.

the plenary will establish two working groups to address all items except those addressed in plenary, as follows:

(a) Working Group I would address the following COP-15 agenda items: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15B and 16;

(b) Working Group II would address the following agenda items: COP-15 agenda items 15A, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and all agenda items under the Cartagena Protocol and Nagoya Protocol (except for those items on the global biodiversity framework and digital sequence information on genetic resources).

13. The Bureau will keep under review progress on the various agenda items and may propose adjustments in the assignment of items between working groups as well as the time allocated to the various items.

14. The plenary will designate the chairpersons of each working group.² The President would then sequentially invite the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol to agree on the organization of work proposed for the concurrent meetings, (CBD/CP/MOP/10/1/Add.4 and CBD/NP/MOP/4/1/Add.4), endorse the working groups established by the Conference of the Parties, and refer items of their respective agenda to the working groups, as appropriate. Each body would also address the election of officers.

15. A single report on credentials will be submitted by the Bureau in the context of agenda item 3 of the Conference of the Parties and item 3 of the respective agendas of each of the COP-MOPs. At the first part of its meeting in October 2021, the Conference of the Parties addressed pending issues under its item 4, and accordingly is not expected to address the matter again.

16. Under agenda item 6 of the Conference of the Parties, item 4 of the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol, and item 4 of the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, reports of the following meetings will be presented: twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, and the third meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation by the respective Chairs of the bodies. The Co-Chairs of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework will also report on the progress of the work in the preparation of the framework, as mandated by decision [14/34](#), including reports of the third, fourth and fifth meetings of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework. It is envisaged that, if needed, the plenary might establish a contact group to finalize the text of the draft framework, to report to Working Group I.

17. The meetings of the Parties to the Cartagena and Nagoya Protocols would also hear reports from their respective compliance committees. However, substantive matters arising from the reports of the compliance committees would be referred to the working groups.

18. The report of the Executive Secretary on the programme of work and budget would address item 7 of the Conference of the Parties and item 6 of the respective agendas of each of the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols (administration of the Convention and the Protocols and budgetary matters). It is expected that the plenary would establish a contact group on budget and designate its chair. It is envisaged that the budget contact group would hold its first meeting on December 8 and meet as necessary thereafter.

19. The first plenary sessions would then be adjourned so that the working groups may commence their work.

D. Working groups and contact groups

² In the event that the chairperson is from a country that is not Party to one or both Protocols, a substitute would be elected from among the Parties to the Protocol to chair items related to one or the other Protocol.

20. With the exception of some specific items which will be addressed in plenary sessions, most of the agenda items for each meeting will be addressed within one of two working groups. Upon concluding their work, each working group will deliver a set of draft decisions and its report to each of the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol, and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, as appropriate.

21. Each working group will have to devote an appropriate amount of time to address the agenda items assigned to it. In accordance with the adopted organization of work, agenda items from each of the meetings that are of a similar or related nature would, where appropriate, be addressed in proximity by the same working group.

22. Given the limited time available to the meetings and the need to ensure that adequate time is provided to ensure the completion of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, it is envisaged that most of the items that have been prepared by any of the intergovernmental subsidiary bodies (SBSTTA, SBI, WG8J, WG2020) would not require a further reading in the working group session prior to the preparation of Chair's texts in the form of CRPs. Thus, the time allocated initially to a working group session for each of these items is brief, but sufficient for the procedural requirements. For these items, there are two scenarios:

(a) For items with many or complex unresolved issues (shown by [brackets]), a contact group will be established to facilitate text-based negotiations among Parties with a view to preparing a consensus text that can be transmitted to the working group by the Chair as a CRP. For most items the contact group is expected to work on the basis of the draft decisions prepared by the subsidiary bodies. However, where necessary, the chair (or co-chairs) of the contact group, with the assistance of the Secretariat, may prepare a "non-paper" as a basis for discussions;

(b) For items with few unresolved issues, the Chair of the working group will directly prepare a text (CRP). In doing so the Chair may consult with Parties.

23. For those items that have not been addressed by a subsidiary body, due time would be allocated in the working group session for a first reading. This applies in particular to a number of items under the Nagoya Protocol and especially to items under the Cartagena Protocol. Such items are indicated by an asterisk (*) in the indicative timetable provided in the annex. However, Parties and observers will be invited to keep their interventions brief and to make full use of the facility for uploading the full statements on the meeting website. Following the first reading, each item will be progressed through one or other of the scenarios outlined in the previous paragraph. However, in most if not all cases, it is envisaged that the Chair will be able to directly prepare a text without the need for a contact group.

24. In line with established practice, contact groups will be established by the plenary or working groups. However, with a view to enabling delegations to better plan for their preparations for the meetings, for those items for which the Bureau has already identified the likely need for a contact group, a tentative schedule of the sessions of such groups in the early part of the meeting has been included in the annex to this note. The Bureau will keep the timetable under review and may propose changes to the schedule. Also, as per usual practice, a maximum of four contact groups (two per working group), not including the contact group on budget, could normally meet at any one time. Additional informal consultations may take place, but with due regard to the availability of delegates, particularly from small delegations, and the need to avoid, as far as possible, parallel consultations on very closely related issues.

25. Annex III provides a table of items with an indication of the expected approach for each.

26. In all scenarios, the intention would be to prepare a CRP that can command consensus in the respective working group with minimum further discussion, while also ensuring inclusiveness and transparency.

27. Following the review of the CRP and approval by the working group, a text (“L document”) will be submitted to plenary by the COP President for adoption.

E. Stocktaking Plenary sessions

28. It is envisaged that a second plenary session will be held on 10 December, at the end of the first block of four days. This session will hear reports on progress from the Chairs of the working groups (and from any contact groups established by the plenary) and take stock of progress. The plenary may also consider any “L” documents” that are ready for adoption.

29. A third plenary session is due to be held on 17 December, immediately following the conclusion of the high-level segment with the participation of Ministers. The President will inform representatives on the outcomes of the high-level segment, and the Chairs of the working groups (and chairs of contact groups as appropriate) will brief the session on progress. The plenary will take stock of progress and may also consider any further “L” documents” that are ready for adoption. The President will provide guidance on the way forward to ensure the successful completion of all items, in particular those closely related to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. It is envisaged that the President may designate Ministers to assist him in facilitating negotiations among Parties on the most important issues still to be resolved.

F. Final stages of the negotiations

30. During the final days of the meetings, negotiations may continue through various modalities. Technical matters will continue to be addressed through the working groups, and as necessary, contact groups and informal consultations. Matters requiring higher level political engagement may be facilitated by Ministers (and other heads of delegations) acting under the authority of the COP President. The President, Chairs of the working groups and the Secretariat will ensure that all final texts are brought back to either the working groups or plenary to ensure transparency.

G. Final plenary sessions

31. The final round of the plenary sessions will be convened on the final day of the meetings, in the morning of 19 December. The Conference of the Parties and each of the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols will adopt the draft decisions submitted to each of the respective governing bodies by the working groups and the contact group on budget; consider other matters, if any, under their respective agenda items (CP MOP-10 item 18; NP MOP-4 item 17; and COP-15 item 28); and adopt their respective meeting reports.

32. Representatives of regional groups and other delegations will then be invited to make one set of closing remarks covering matters related to one or more of the meetings, if they so wish. Following the closing remarks, the President will declare each meeting closed.

H. Technical arrangements

33. Whether in plenary or in working groups, those States that are not Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and/or the Nagoya Protocol would be present as observers for the consideration of the items regarding the Protocols. Technical measures would be in place to distinguish Parties from non-Parties during the deliberations in order to assist the President of the meetings or the chairpersons of the working groups. For items specific to one or other of the Protocols, priority in speaking order will be given to the Parties to that Protocol.

34. For practical reasons, the seating arrangements for the meeting of the Conference of the Parties will also be used for the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols.

35. The COP and MOP meetings will be conducted in person to allow the COP and MOPs to complete their work and engage in full negotiations. Accordingly, as far as possible, interactive participation (i.e. speaking in plenary sessions, working groups and contact groups) will be limited to those present in the

meeting venue. Provisions will be made to allow all registered delegations from Parties and observers to follow the sessions of the meetings virtually. Please note, however, that online participation will normally be limited to viewer mode only.

36. In line with arrangements agreed by the Bureau, full interactive online access with speaker rights will be provided only as an exception and in the following circumstances:

(a) In the case where a Party delegation is not able to participate physically in Montreal due to pandemic travel restrictions. In such cases, online speaker access will be arranged, by special request to the Secretariat;

(b) In the case where a Party representative is required to self-isolate due to testing positive to COVID-19. Such a delegate would have speaker access for the period they would be in quarantine. Upon testing negative after an isolation period, the speaker access would be removed;

(c) In the case where a Party is represented by only one, two or three delegates in Montreal and sessions are held in parallel. Online speaker access should be used only when working groups or contact groups are held in parallel and only one delegate per Party will exercise speaker rights in each group at any one time.

37. All documents for the meetings, including in-session documents, will be made available on a dedicated website (<https://www.cbd.int/conferences/2021-2022>). Every effort will be made to ensure timely meeting announcements on screens and on the website of the meetings

Annex I

OVERVIEW OF THE UN BIODIVERSITY CONFERENCE

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Fri	Sat	Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Th	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Th	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mo	Tue
Regional meetings	WG2020-5			Regional meetings	COP 15 & CP/NP MOPs					Possible contact groups	COP 15 & CP/NP MOPs							
	Bureau meeting				Opening Reception (tbc)								HLS					
						Action Zone												
										Business Forum								
									Nature & Culture			Finance Day						
									Cities									
				Science Workshop					Science									
			BCH Workshop						ABS									
						CEPA Pavilion					Rio Conventions Pavilion							
						Side events					Side events							

TENATIVE SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
We	Th	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Th	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mo	Tue	
Opening Plenary	WG 1	WG 1	9:GBF			WG 1	WG 1	WG 1	WG 1	Plenary: stocktake & adoption of decisions	WG 1	Ministerial	Closing Plenary	
		13:CB												
	WG 2	WG 2	WG 2			WG 2	CG	CG	With Ministers		WG 2			
							CG	CG						
WG 1	14:MRR	9:GBF	Plenary: stocktake & adoption of decisions			CG	CG	CG	CG	WG 1	Ministerial	WG 1	Ministerial	Closing Plenary
	11:DSI	14:MRR				CG	CG	CG	CG			WG 1		
WG 2	WG 2	WG 2				WG 2	WG 2	WG 2	WG 2	WG 2		WG 2		
9:GBF	9:GBF	9:GBF	CG (tbc)			CG	CG	WG 1	CG					
12:RM	12:RM	11:DSI	CG (tbc)			CG	CG		CG					
SynBio	RA/RM	EBSAs	CG (tbc)			CG	CG	CG	WG 2					
	Marine	CG (tbc)	CG (tbc)			CG	CG	CG						

Annex II

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK FOR PART II OF THE FIFTEENTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, THE TENTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL AND THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL

Date	Agenda items			Plenary
Wednesday 7 Dec. Morning (10am-1pm)	CBD	CP	NP	
	1	1	1	Opening of the meeting
	2	2	2	Organizational matters (agenda, officers, organization of work)
	3	3	3	Report on credentials of representatives of Parties
	5			Date and venue of future meetings of the Conference of the Parties
	6	4	4	Report of intersessional and regional preparatory meetings
		5	5	Report of the Compliance Committee
	7	6	6	Administration of the Convention and Protocols and budget for the trust funds

Date	Agenda items			Working group I	Agenda items			Working group II
Wednesday 7 Dec. Afternoon (3-6pm)	8			Review of progress in the implementation of the Convention		8		Monitoring & reporting*
	9A		13	Post-2020 global biodiversity framework			10	Monitoring & reporting*
	9B			Monitoring framework for the post-2020 GBF		9		Assessment & review of effectiveness & evaluation of Strategic Plan 2011-2020
	9C			Communication strategy		11		Operation & activities of the Biosafety Clearing-House*
	9D			Gender plan of action			9	Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-house*
	11		14	Digital sequence information		14		Risk assessment
	12A			Resource mobilization	27			Synthetic biology
	12B			Financial mechanism		15		Detection & identification of LMOs*
	13A			Capacity-building				
	13B			Knowledge management				
	13C			Communication				
	14			Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting & review				
	15B			Cooperation				
	9		13	Contact group: Global biodiversity framework (to be confirmed)	27			Contact group: Synthetic biology (to be confirmed)
Wednesday 7 Dec. Evening (7.30-10.30pm)	11		14	Contact group: Resource mobilization (to be confirmed)				

Thursday 8 Dec. Morning	10A			Development of a new POW & institutional arrangements on Article 8(j) & related provisions		7A	Implementation plan for the Cartagena Protocol
	10B			In-depth dialogue on thematic areas and cross-cutting issues		7B	Capacity-building for the Cartagena Protocol
	10C			Recommendations from the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues to the CBD		8	Measures to assist in capacity-building and capacity development*
	16A			Mainstreaming of biodiversity		10	Financial mechanism*
	16B			Engagement with subnational governments, cities and other local authorities		7A	Financial mechanism*
				<i>Contact group Global biodiversity Framework (if time allows)</i>		7b	Resource mobilization*
						17	Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol*
	7	6	6	<i>Contact group: Budget (will meet as needed)</i>			
Thursday 8 Dec. Afternoon	14			<i>Contact group: Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting & review (to be confirmed)</i>	20A		Marine and coastal biodiversity (EBSAs)
	12A			<i>Contact group: Digital Sequence information (to be confirmed)</i>	20B		Marine and coastal biodiversity (Conservation & sustainable use)
					15A		Second work programme of IPBES*
					19		Protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures
					21		Invasive alien species
					22		Sustainable wildlife management
					23		Biodiversity and climate change
					24		Biodiversity and agriculture
					25		Biodiversity and health
					26		Nature and culture
					18		Multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties*
Thursday 8 Dec. Evening	11		14	<i>Contact group: Resource mobilization (to be confirmed)</i>		14	<i>Contact group: Risk assessment & risk management (to be confirmed)</i>
	9		13	<i>Contact group: Global biodiversity framework (to be confirmed)</i>	20B		<i>Contact group: Marine biodiversity conservation & sustainable use (to be confirmed)</i>

Friday 9 Dec. Morning			<i>Review of CRPs</i>			<i>Review of CRPs (Cartagena Protocol)</i>
Friday 9 Dec. Afternoon	9	13	<i>Contact group: Global biodiversity framework (to be confirmed)</i>			<i>Review of CRPs (Cartagena Protocol)</i>
	14		<i>Contact group: Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting & review (to be confirmed)</i>			
Friday 9 Dec. Evening	9	13	<i>Contact group Global biodiversity framework (to be confirmed)</i>	20A		<i>Contact group: Marine biodiversity EBSAs (to be confirmed)</i>
	12		<i>Contact group: Digital sequence information (to be confirmed)</i>			<i>Contact group or Friends of Chair (as needed)</i>

Saturday 10 Dec. Morning	9	13	<i>Contact group: Global biodiversity framework (to be confirmed)</i>	17	13	12	Review of effectiveness of structures & processes under the CBD & its Protocols
	13A		<i>Contact group: Capacity-building (to be confirmed)</i>			5	Compliance Committee*
					5		Compliance Committee*
						11	Cooperation*
					12		Cooperation*
					16		Socio-economic considerations*
						15	Specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments
						16	Global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism
Saturday 10 Dec. Afternoon	Plenary Stocktake Adoption of decisions						
Saturday 10 Dec. Evening	9	13	<i>Contact group: Global biodiversity framework (to be confirmed)</i>				<i>Contact group or Friends of Chair (as needed)</i>
	13A		<i>Contact group: Capacity-building (to be confirmed)</i>				

Sunday 11 Dec.	<i>No formal meetings will be held on Sunday 11 December.</i>
Monday 12 Dec.	<i>No formal meetings are currently scheduled for Monday 12 December. However, on the advice of the Bureau, a limited number of contact groups or informal consultations could be convened if needed</i>

Tuesday 13 Dec. Morning				<i>Review of CRPs</i>			<i>Review of CRPs (Nagoya Protocol)</i>
Tuesday 13 Dec. Afternoon				<i>WG or contact groups</i>			<i>Review of CRPs (COP)</i>
Tuesday 13 Dec. Evening				<i>WG or contact groups</i>			<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>
Wednesday 14 Dec. Morning				<i>Review of CRPs</i>			<i>Review of CRPs</i>
Wednesday 14 Dec. Afternoon				<i>WG or contact groups</i>			<i>WG or contact groups</i>
Wednesday 14 Dec. Evening				<i>WG or contact groups</i>			<i>WG or contact groups</i>
Thursday 15 Dec. Morning				<i>Review of CRPs</i>			Contact Groups
							Contact group
Thursday 15 Dec. Afternoon				Contact Groups			<i>Review of CRPs</i>
Thursday 15 Dec. Evening				WG or contact group			WG or contact group
Friday 16 Dec. Morning				<i>Review of CRPs</i>			Contact groups
Friday 16 Dec. Afternoon				Contact groups			<i>Review of CRPs</i>
Friday 16 Dec. Evening				WG 1 or contact group			WG 2 or contact group
Saturday 17 Dec. morning	Plenary: Stocktake with Ministers Adoption of decisions						
Saturday 17 Dec. Afternoon				WG 1 or contact group			WG 2 or contact group
	Ministerial consultations						
Saturday 17 Dec. Evening				WG 1 or contact group			WG 2 or contact group
	Ministerial consultations						

Sunday 18 Dec. Morning				WG 1 or contact group				WG 2 or contact group
	Ministerial consultations							
Sunday 18 Dec. Afternoon				WG 1 or contact group				WG 2 or contact group
	Ministerial consultations							
Sunday 18 Dec. Evening	(No meetings scheduled)							
Monday 19 Dec. Morning	Closing plenary Adoption of draft decisions							
Monday 19 Dec. Afternoon	Closing plenary							
	28	18	17	Other matters				
	29	19	18	Adoption of the report				
	30	20	19	Closure of the meeting				

Annex III

ENVISAGED SCENARIO FOR EACH AGENDA ITEM

(Note: Additional contact groups may be required)

COP-15 items

Item No.	Issue	Basis of draft decision	Full first reading	Contact group	Notes
8 A	Informing the scientific and technical evidence base for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework	SBSTTA 23/1 SBSTTA 24/1			
8 B	Review of progress in the implementation of the Convention & the strategic plan for biodiversity 2011-2020	SBI 3/1			
9 A	Post-2020 Global biodiversity framework	WG2020 5/1		√	
9 B	Monitoring framework for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework	SBSTTA 24/2 + annexes		√	
9 C	Communication strategy	SBI 3/5			
9 D	Gender plan of action	SBI 3/3			
10 A	Development of a new POW & institutional arrangements on Article 8(j) and related provisions	WG8J 11/2			
10 B	In-depth dialogue on the thematic areas and other cross-cutting issues	WG8J 11/1			
10 C	Recommendations from the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues to the CBD	WG8J 11/4			
11	Digital sequence information on genetic resources	WG2020 5/2		√	
12 A	Resource mobilization	SBI 3/6		√	
12 B	Financial mechanism	SBI 3/7		√	

Item No.	Issue	Basis of draft decision	Full first reading	Contact group	Notes
13 A	Capacity-building and technical and scientific cooperation	SBI 3/8 CBD/COP/15/12		√	
13 B	Knowledge management	SBI 3/10			
13 C	Communication	SBI 3/18			
14	Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting and review	SBI 3/11 + annexes		√	
15 A	Programme of work of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services	SBSTTA 23/3 CBD/COP/15/13	√		First reading required because of new elements from IPBES-8 and IPBES-9
15 B	Cooperation with other conventions and international organizations	SBI 3/12			
16 A	Mainstreaming of biodiversity within and across sectors: Long-term strategic approach to mainstreaming biodiversity	SBI 3/15			
16 B	Engagement with subnational governments, cities and other local authorities to enhance implementation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework	SBI 3/14			
17	Review of the effectiveness of processes under the Convention and its Protocols	SBI 3/13			
18	Multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties	CBD/COP/15/15	√		
19	Protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures	CBD/COP/15/INF/3			
20 A	Ecologically or biologically significant marine areas	SBSTTA 23/4 SBSTTA 24/10		√	“Non-paper” to be prepared based on work of SBSTTA-24 and online forum
20 B	Conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity	SBSTTA 24/9		√	“Non-paper” to be prepared based on work of SBSTTA-24 and online forum
21	Invasive alien species	SBSTTA 24/8			

Item No.	Issue	Basis of draft decision	Full first reading	Contact group	Notes
22	Sustainable Wildlife Management	SBSTTA 23/3			
23	Biodiversity and climate change	SBSTTA 23/2			
24	Biodiversity and agriculture	SBSTTA 24/6			
25	Biodiversity and health	SBSTTA 24/7			
26	Nature and culture	WG8J 11/3 SBSTTA 23/5			
27	Synthetic biology	SBSTTA 24/4		√	

CP MOP-10 items

Item No.	Issue	Basis of draft decision	Full first reading	Contact group	Notes
5	Report of the Compliance Committee	CBD/CP/MOP/10/2	√		
7 A	Implementation plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	SBI 3/4			
7 B	Capacity-building action plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	SBI 3/4			
8	Monitoring and reporting (Article 33)	CBD/CP/MOP/10/5	√		
9	Assessment & review of the effectiveness of the Protocol (Article 35) & final evaluation of the Strategic Plan 2011-2020	SBI 3/2			
10	Financial mechanism and resource mobilization	SBI 3/7 (COP) and CBD/CP/MOP/10/6	√		
11	Operation and activities of the Biosafety Clearing-House (Article 20)	CBD/CP/MOP/10/7	√		
12	Cooperation with other organizations, conventions and initiatives	CBD/CP/MOP/10/8	√		
13	Review of effectiveness of structures and processes under the Convention and its Protocols	SBI 3/13			Addressed Jointly with CBD COP
14	Risk assessment and risk management (Articles 15 and 16)	SBSTTA 24/5		√	
15	Detection and identification of living modified organisms	CBD/CP/MOP/10/10/Rev.1	√		
16	Socio-economic considerations (Article 26)	CBD/CP/MOP/10/11	√		
17	Nagoya – Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress	CBD/CP/MOP/10/9	√		

NP MOP-4 items

Item No.	Issue	Basis of draft decision	Full first reading	Contact group	Notes
5	Report of the Compliance Committee	CBD/NP/MOP/4/2	√		
7 A	Financial mechanism	CBD/NP/MOP/4/10	√		
7 B	Resource mobilization	CBD/NP/MOP/4/10	√		
8 A	Evaluation of the strategic framework for capacity-building & development to support effective implementation of the Protocol	SBI 3/9			
8 B	Measures to assist in capacity-building and development (Article 22) & to raise awareness of the importance of genetic resources & associated traditional knowledge (Article 21)	CBD/NP/MOP/4/5	√		
9	The Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House and information sharing (Article 14)	CBD/NP/MOP/4/6	√		
10	Monitoring and reporting (Article 29)	CBD/NP/MOP/4/7	√		
11	Cooperation with other international organizations, conventions, and initiatives	CBD/NP/MOP/4/8	√		
12	Review of effectiveness of structures and processes	SBI 3/13			Jointly with CBD COP
13	Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework	WG2020-5/1 CBD/NP/MOP/4/9			Jointly with CBD COP
14	Digital sequence information on genetic resources	WG2020 5/2			Jointly with CBD COP
15	Specialized international access and benefit sharing instruments in the context of Article 4, para. 4, of the Protocol	SBI 3/16		?	Need for CG may depend on cross-cutting issues
16	Global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism (Article 10)	SBI 3/17		?	Need for CG may depend on cross-cutting issues