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Multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties

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Draft decision submitted by the Chair of Working Group I

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision 16/36 of 27 February 2025 in which it decided to review and update the multi-year programme of work up to 2030 at the present meeting,

1. *Decides* to adopt its multi-year programme of work up to 2030, as set out in the annex to the present decision;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, under the guidance of its Bureau, and taking into account views submitted by Parties, to prepare the list of issues related to the multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties for the period beyond 2030, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its nineteenth meeting.

Annex
Issues related to the multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties to be addressed at its eighteenth and nineteenth meetings

Meeting	*Issues summarized in the form of agenda items*
Eighteenth meeting (2028)	**Matters related to mechanisms supporting the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity[1] and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework[2]** • Planning, monitoring, reporting and review, including the process for developing any post-2030 strategic plan • Improving national reporting in the context of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework • Further operationalization of the monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework[3] • Preparations for the second global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework • Resource mobilization and financial mechanism: (a) Resource mobilization (b) Financial mechanism • Digital sequence information on genetic resources, including the review of effectiveness of the Multilateral Mechanism for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources, including the Cali Fund • Issues related to Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity related to indigenous peoples and local communities: (a) Review and update the Voluntary Glossary of Key Terms and Concepts Within the Context of Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention[4] (b) Other matters related to the implementation of Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention related to indigenous peoples and local communities • Capacity-building and development and technical and scientific cooperation • Mainstreaming and subnational engagement • Communication, education and public awareness • Cooperation with other conventions and international organizations **Scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework** • Strategic review and analysis of the programme of work • Potential areas of future work • Synthetic biology • Biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning • Sustainable use: (a) Sustainable wildlife management (b) Sustainable biodiversity-based activities, products and services that enhance biodiversity • Marine and coastal biodiversity • Forest biodiversity • Invasive alien species • Biodiversity and health • [Review of liability and redress in the context of Article 14 of the Convention] • Programme of work on protected areas

[1] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1760, No. 30619.
[2] Decision 15/4, annex.
[3] Decision 15/5, annex I.
[4] Decision 14/13, annex.

Meeting	*Issues summarized in the form of agenda items*
	• Implications for the work of the Convention of the following assessments of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services: (a) Methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people (b) Methodological assessment of integrated biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning and ecological connectivity
	Processes under the Convention and its Protocols Issues related to the effectiveness of processes under the Convention and its Protocols
Nineteenth meeting (2030)	**Matters related to mechanisms supporting the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework** • Second global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework • Follow-up to the post-2030 mission and targets of the Framework • Resource mobilization and financial mechanism: (a) Resource mobilization (b) Financial mechanism • Digital sequence information on genetic resources • Final review of and follow-up to the Gender Plan of Action (2023–2030),[5] the strategy for resource mobilization for the period 2025–2030,[6] the long-term strategic framework for capacity-building and development[7], the independent evaluation of the technical and scientific cooperation mechanism and the programme of work for the clearing-house mechanism for the period 2024–2030[8] • Update on other matters related to implementation support mechanisms • Issues related to Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention related to indigenous peoples and local communities, including the review, revision and update of the related programme of work, for the period beyond 2030 • Communication, education and public awareness • Other items to be determined at the eighteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties
	Scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework • Strategic review and analysis of the programme of work • Consideration of the second global assessment of biodiversity and ecosystem services of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services • Synthetic biology • Sustainable wildlife management • Biodiversity and climate change • Marine and coastal biodiversity and island biodiversity • Biodiversity and agriculture • Other items to be determined at the eighteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties
	Processes under the Convention and its Protocols • Issues related to the effectiveness of processes under the Convention and its Protocols

Note: See the annex of document CBD/COP/17/8 for a summary of relevant decisions and recommendations.

[5] Decision 15/11, annex.
[6] Decision 16/34, annex I.
[7] Decision 15/8, annex I.
[8] Decision 16/9 A, annex.