OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK
Fifth meeting
Montreal, 3-5 December 2022

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. The Conference of the Parties, at its fourteenth meeting, adopted the preparatory process for the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (decision 14/34) and established an open-ended intersessional working group to support the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety stressed that biosafety should be reflected in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and set out steps towards the preparation of the biosafety component of the post-2020 framework (decision CP-9/7). The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing invited Parties to the Protocol to participate in the process for developing the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (decision NP-3/15). Other decisions of the Conference of the Parties contain elements relevant to the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.¹

2. The Conference of the Parties designated Mr. Francis Ogwal (Uganda) and Mr. Basile van Havre (Canada) to serve as Co-Chairs of the Working Group.² In accordance with the rules of procedure, the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties serves as the Bureau of the Working Group.

3. As indicated in the annex to decision 14/34, the Working Group is composed of representatives of Parties to the Convention and to the Protocols and open to observers.

4. The negotiating process will culminate in the adoption of a post-2020 global biodiversity framework by the Conference of the Parties at the second part of its fifteenth meeting and its endorsement by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols at their meetings.³

5. The first meeting of the Working Group was held from 27 to 30 August 2019 in Nairobi. The report on the meeting is available as document CBD/WG2020/1/5.

6. The second meeting of the Working Group was held from 24 to 29 February 2020 in Rome. The report on the meeting is available as document CBD/WG2020/2/4.

7. The third meeting of the Working Group was held in two parts. The first part was held virtually from 23 August 2021 to 3 September 2021 and the second part was held in Geneva, Switzerland from 14 to 29 March 2022. The report on the meeting is available as document CBD/WG2020/3/7.

8. The fourth meeting of the Working Group was held from 21 to 26 June 2022 in Nairobi. The report on the meeting is available as document CBD/WG2020/4/4.

¹ For an overview of these decisions, see CBD/POST2020/PREP/1/1.
² See decision 14/34, annex, para. 2.
³ Ibid., para. 3.
9. At the fourth meeting, the Working Group decided to convene a fifth meeting, which is now scheduled from 3 to 5 December 2022 in Montreal, Canada, immediately prior to the second part of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, to be held in Montreal, from 7 to 19 December 2022.

**ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

10. The meeting will be opened by the Co-Chairs of the Working Group.

**ITEM 2. ORGANIZATION OF WORK**

11. The Working Group will elect a Rapporteur on the basis of a recommendation of the Bureau.

12. The provisional agenda has been prepared by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Co-Chairs of the Working Group and the Bureau in accordance with paragraphs 8 and 9 of the rules of procedure for the meetings of the Conference of Parties, taking into account the preparatory process described in the annex to decision 14/34 and the outcomes of the first, second, third and fourth meetings of the Working Group.

13. The Working Group is expected to conduct the work of its fifth meeting in plenary with the support of contact groups as needed to advance its work. Interpretation will be provided for plenary sessions in the six official languages of the United Nations. A proposed organization of work will be made available in a further addendum.

14. The Working Group will be invited to agree on the proposed organization of work.

15. A list of documents for the fifth meeting of the Working Group is contained in the annex.

**ITEM 3. REPORT FROM THE CO-CHAIRS ON INTERSESSIONAL WORK**

16. Under this agenda item, the Working Group will hear reports from the Co-Chairs of the Working Group on intersessional work since the fourth meeting, including the work of the Informal Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, which held its face-to-face meeting in Montreal, Canada, from 26 to 30 September 2022.  

**ITEM 4. POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK**

17. At its fourth meeting, the Working Group further developed the draft post-2020 global biodiversity framework on the basis of the outcomes of the second part of its third meeting (CBD/WG2020/3/7) and of the first draft of the framework. The outcomes of its consideration are contained in recommendation 4/1 on the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

18. The Working Group will undertake its work on this agenda item on the basis of the outcomes of the fourth meeting of the Working Group, also drawing on, where relevant, the first draft of the framework, and taking into account the relevant outcomes of the third meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, the twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice. It may also take into account the outcomes of its intersessional work, including the results of the work by the Informal Group, as noted under agenda item 3.

**ITEM 5. DIGITAL SEQUENCE INFORMATION ON GENETIC RESOURCES**

19. In decision 14/20, paragraph 6, the Parties committed to working towards resolving the divergence of views regarding benefit-sharing from the use of digital sequence information on genetic resources and established a process to this end including the submission of views, the commissioning of studies and the convening of a meeting of an extended Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group. The results of this work were

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4 See notification 2022-051, dated 23 August 2022.

5 The report of this meeting will be made available at https://www.cbd.int/meetings/POST2020-OM-2022-01.
presented to the Working Group at the first part of its third meeting. In light of the discussions during that meeting, the Co-Chairs of the Working Group and the Executive Secretary established an Informal Co-Chairs’ Advisory Group on digital sequence information on genetic resources to provide advice and feedback to the Working Group.

20. At the second part of its third meeting, the Working Group considered information on the work done by the Informal Co-Chairs’ Advisory Group and prepared recommendation 3/2 which set out some agreed features of a solution for fair and equitable benefit-sharing on digital sequence information on genetic resources and requested additional intersessional work by the Informal Co-Chairs’ Advisory Group. The recommendation also included elements of a draft decision for consideration by the Conference of the Parties.

21. The fourth meeting of the Working Group, held in Nairobi from 21 to 26 June 2022, continued negotiations on digital sequence information, building on the work of the third meeting of the Working Group and drawing upon the further work of the Informal Co-Chairs’ Advisory Group, and prepared recommendation 4/2, which includes revised elements of a draft decision for consideration by the Conference of the Parties.

22. The Working Group is expected to continue its work on the basis of the outcomes of its fourth meeting, taking into account the outcomes of its third and fourth meetings as well as the outcomes of the work of the Co-Chairs’ Informal Advisory Group.

ITEM 6. OTHER MATTERS

23. Under this item, the Working Group may address other matters related to the subject matter of the meeting.

ITEM 7. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

24. The Working Group will be invited to consider and adopt the report on the work of its fifth meeting on the basis of the draft report prepared by the Rapporteur.

ITEM 8. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

25. The meeting is expected to close at 6 p.m. on 5 December 2022.
**Annex**

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