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Fifth meeting

Cali, Colombia, 16–18 October 2024

Item 1 (b) of the provisional agenda**

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

Annotated provisional agenda

Introduction

1. The fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation will be held in Cali, Colombia, from 16 to 18 October 2024, immediately before the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The purpose of the present annotated provisional agenda is to facilitate preparations for the meeting by participants.
2. The Subsidiary Body and its terms of reference were established by the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity by decision XII/26, and its modus operandi was adopted by decision XIII/25. At their eighth and second meetings, respectively, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and 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 endorsed the modus operandi and decided that it should apply, mutatis mutandis, when the Subsidiary Body served the Protocols.¹
3. In its decision XII/26, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention decided that the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties would apply, mutatis mutandis, to the meetings of the Subsidiary Body, with the exception of rule 18, on the credentials of representatives. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties requested the Subsidiary Body to undertake any tasks that fell within the scope of its terms of reference as referred to it by the Conference of the Parties or the Conferences of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocols and to report on its work to those bodies. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties acknowledged that, when the Subsidiary Body served one of the Protocols, decisions under the Protocol might be taken only by the Parties to the Protocol.
4. In accordance with the modus operandi, the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties serves as the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body. The Chairperson of the Subsidiary Body is elected by the Conference of the Parties to ensure active participation in the preparatory process and facilitate the meetings. The Chairperson is elected at an ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Parties, takes office from the end of that meeting and remains in office until a successor takes office at the end of the following ordinary meeting. The Chairperson of the Subsidiary Body is invited to preside over

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¹ Decisions CP-VIII/9 and NP-2/11, respectively.

the sessions of the Bureau on matters related to the Subsidiary Body. At the resumed second part of its fifteenth meeting, held in October 2023, the Conference of the Parties elected Chirra Achalender Reddy (India) as Chairperson of the Subsidiary Body until the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

5. Also in accordance with the modus operandi, upon a decision of the Conference of the Parties, and subject to the availability of resources, the Subsidiary Body may establish an open-ended forum to further support the review of implementation of the Convention and related strategic plans, with a view to facilitating the exchange of information and experience among Parties. The forum may take place in session during meetings of the Subsidiary Body and of the Conference of the Parties.

Item 1

Organizational matters

(a) Opening of the meeting

6. The Chair will open the meeting at 10 a.m. on 16 October 2024. Statements will be made by the President of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties or his representative and by the Executive Secretary. Regional groups of Parties and representatives of major stakeholder groups will also be invited to make statements.

(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

7. The provisional agenda for the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body was prepared by the Secretariat in consultation with the Bureau, pursuant to paragraphs 8 and 9 of the rules of procedure for the meetings of the Conference of the Parties, taking into account the terms of reference of the Subsidiary Body and the specific requests made to it by the Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth meeting.

8. The proposed organization of work for the meeting is contained in annex I, and a list of working and reference documents for the meeting is provided in annex II.

9. The Subsidiary Body will be invited to consider and adopt the provisional agenda for the meeting and to approve the proposed organization of work.

Item 2

Review of implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including means of implementation

10. The Subsidiary Body will be invited to consider progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and progress by Parties in revising and updating national biodiversity strategies and action plans and in establishing national targets aligned with the Framework and its goals and targets, including in relation to means of implementation, and to pilot the modus operandi of an open-ended forum for voluntary country review.

11. Article 23 of the Convention establishes that the Conference of the Parties is to keep under review the implementation of the Convention. The terms of reference of the Subsidiary Body provide that it should support the Conference of the Parties in this regard. The areas of work of the Subsidiary Body are outlined in its modus operandi and include the review of progress in the implementation of the Convention and related strategic plan, including the review of progress in the provision of support for implementation and, in particular, progress by Parties in the setting and achievement of their national targets and actions, as well as the outcomes of those actions, the progress of individual Parties and the contribution of the national targets communicated by Parties towards the objectives of the Convention.

12. By its decision 15/4, the Conference of the Parties adopted the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and decided that the 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. Effective mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting and review are a part of the Framework, set out in its section J, on responsibility and transparency.

13. In paragraph 1 of decision 15/6, the Conference of the Parties adopted an enhanced multidimensional approach to planning, monitoring, reporting and review, with a view to enhancing the implementation of the Convention and the Framework. In paragraph 5 of the same decision, it also adopted guidance for revising and updating national biodiversity strategies and action plans, as contained in annex I to the decision. Also in the same decision, it requested Parties to revise and update their national biodiversity strategies and action plans, aligned with the Framework and its goals and targets, including those related to means of implementation, and to submit them by its sixteenth meeting (para. 6). It also requested Parties not in a position to submit their revised national biodiversity strategies and action plans by its sixteenth meeting to communicate national targets reflecting, as applicable, all the goals and targets of the Framework, including those related to all means of implementation, in accordance with the reporting template provided in annex I to the decision, as a stand-alone submission by the sixteenth meeting, in advance of the full submission of the national biodiversity strategies and action plans (para. 7). Also in decision 15/6, the Conference of the Parties decided to consider at its sixteenth meeting, and at each subsequent meeting, a global analysis of the information provided by Parties on national targets and national biodiversity strategies and action plans aligned with the Framework to assess the contribution towards the Framework (para. 15).

14. The aforementioned enhanced multidimensional approach includes the further development and testing of an open-ended forum for voluntary country reviews (decision 15/6, para. 1 (f)), and the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to support the Subsidiary Body in that regard (*ibid.*, para. 29 (c)). Accordingly, the Secretariat will provide a proposal to the Subsidiary Body at its fourth meeting as a basis for establishing the modalities for conducting an open-ended forum at the present meeting.

15. The Conference of the Parties also requested the Executive Secretary to support the operationalization of the enhanced multidimensional approach by coordinating and collaborating with relevant partners to provide necessary capacity-building (decision 15/6, para. 29 (j)) and to support and advise Parties on ways to integrate capacity-building and development components into their national biodiversity strategies and action plans (decision 15/8, para. 16 (e)). In response to those requests, the Secretariat is convening a series of regional and subregional dialogues aimed at facilitating the sharing of experiences and mutual learning related to the revising and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, including setting national targets, in alignment with the Framework, and at identifying challenges and opportunities in improving implementation, including on issues related to capacity-building, resource mobilization and the integration of the Protocols into said strategies and plans. The dialogues will also result in a regional collation of lessons learned, challenges and opportunities, which can serve as inputs into the further piloting of an open-ended forum for voluntary country review under the Subsidiary Body.

16. In addition, in decision 15/3, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, and with the participation of the Parties, to organize international dialogues with indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant stakeholders, including women and youth, on progress in the implementation of the Framework and the Gender Plan of Action (2023–2030) (para. 11).

17. The modus operandi of an open-ended forum for voluntary country review will be piloted in the light of the revised and updated national biodiversity strategies and action plans and/or national targets submitted by Parties by the time of the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and the experience of Parties in conducting those. The Subsidiary Body will have before it a note by the Secretariat on the submissions made by Parties, including a final analysis of the information provided in the submissions. A report on the outcomes of the regional and subregional dialogues, as well as

the dialogues held pursuant to decision 15/3, will also be provided to serve as additional background for the forum.

18. The aforementioned documents, the report of the Subsidiary Body on its fourth meeting containing its preliminary recommendations concerning the review of implementation and, as appropriate, other documents will inform the Subsidiary Body in its review of implementation and in conducting the open-ended forum for voluntary country review.

19. The Subsidiary Body is expected to adopt a recommendation concerning its review of implementation, including means of implementation, and the modalities and outcomes of the open-ended forum for voluntary country review, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting.

Item 3

Other matters

20. Under agenda item 3, the Subsidiary Body will have the opportunity to discuss other matters of relevance, including, as appropriate, the receipt of reports arising from intersessional work on relevant matters conducted after its fourth meeting, in particular by expert bodies established by the Conference of the Parties with the mandate to report to the Subsidiary Body, such as the Advisory Committee on Resource Mobilization, for onward transmission to the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting.

Item 4

Adoption of the report

21. The Subsidiary Body will be invited to consider and adopt the report on its fifth meeting on the basis of the draft report prepared by the Rapporteur.

Item 5

Closure of the meeting

22. The meeting is expected to be closed at 6 p.m. on 18 October 2024.

Annex I

Proposed organization of work

[Placeholder for possible recommendations adopted by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its fourth meeting regarding the modus operandi of the pilot open-ended forum for voluntary country review]

<i>Date</i>	<i>10 a.m.–1 p.m.</i>	<i>3–6 p.m.</i>
Wednesday, 16 October 2024	Item 1. Organizational matters: (a) Opening of the meeting; (b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work. Item 2. Review of implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including means of implementation.	Item 2 (<i>continued</i>) - Pilot open-ended forum for voluntary country review
Thursday, 17 October 2024	Item 2 (<i>continued</i>) - Pilot open-ended forum for voluntary country review	Item 2 (<i>continued</i>) - Pilot open-ended forum for voluntary country review
Friday, 18 October 2024	Item 2 (<i>continued</i>) - Adoption of recommendations Item 3. Other matters.	Item 4. Adoption of the report. Item 5. Closure of the meeting.

Annex II**List of documents**

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>
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CBD/SBI/5/2/Add.2	Analysis of the national targets established by Parties aligned with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework	2
CBD/SBI/5/3	Modus operandi of the pilot open-ended forum for voluntary country review	2
Reference documents		
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