



Convention on Biological Diversity

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**Conference of the Parties
to the Convention on
Biological Diversity
Sixteenth meeting**

**Conference of the Parties
to the Convention on
Biological Diversity serving
as the meeting of the Parties
to the Cartagena Protocol
on Biosafety
Eleventh meeting**

**Conference of the Parties to the
Convention on Biological Diversity
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
Fifth meeting**

Cali, Colombia, 21 October–1 November 2024
Item 2 of the provisional agendas*
Organizational matters

Proposed organization of work

Note by the Secretariat

I. Introduction

1. The Secretariat hereby presents a plan for holding concurrently the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and the fifth 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.
2. The general approach for holding the meetings concurrently is based on the experience gained since 2016 in the organization of the meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the meetings of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols.
3. The meetings will be preceded by regional preparatory meetings.

II. Scenario note for the meetings

A. Overview of the meetings and daily calendar

4. The three meetings, known as the United Nations Biodiversity Conference, will be held over a two-week period, from 21 October to 1 November 2024, and preceded by the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (16–18 October). An opening ceremony will be held on 20 October and will include the participation of high-level representatives of the presidency of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the host country and the United Nations, as well as cultural performances. A high-level segment for Heads of State and Government and ministers will be held on 29 and 30 October. A number of associated events will also be held in parallel,

* CBD/COP/16/1, CBD/CP/MOP/11/1 and CBD/NP/MOP/5/1, respectively.

including large forums for major stakeholder groups, shorter side events at lunchtime and in the early evening and several workshops, and there will also be a number of pavilions. Annex I provides a schematic overview of the Conference.

5. The formal negotiating sessions will be held in two 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 and with public webcast;

(b) Contact groups: flexible seating arrangements to facilitate negotiations among Parties, in English only and open to all Parties. The participation of a reasonable number of observers will also be facilitated, at the discretion of the chair or co-chairs of the contact group, while giving priority to Party delegates. These meetings are not public.

6. In line with 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”). The timings are, however, subject to change; and the most up-to-date information will be available on the Conference webpage and displayed on the monitors in the venue. A preliminary chart of potential sessions is provided in annex II. Delegation and regional group meetings are usually held before the formal morning sessions.

B. Opening of the meetings

7. On 21 October, 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 sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, and will invite the Conference of the Parties to elect its president. Following tradition, a representative of the Government of Colombia, the host country, is expected to be elected President of the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

8. In line with rule 21 of the rules of procedure, the term of office of the new President commences immediately on his or her election. The President becomes a member of the existing Bureau, which also serves as the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols.

9. Since Colombia is a Party to the Cartagena Protocol, the President will also become the President of the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol. In relation to the Nagoya Protocol, to which Colombia is not a Party, the outgoing President (China) will nominate, and invite the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol to elect, a Vice-President from the Bureau to preside over the meeting.

10. The President will then convene a joint plenary session of the three bodies to hear brief opening statements, including concise statements made by Party representatives on behalf of regional groups and representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities or of major stakeholder groups. Regional groups and observer groups will be encouraged to present consolidated statements covering the Convention and the Protocols.

C. First plenary session

11. During the first plenary session, a number of agenda items of the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties will be considered, and the Conference of the Parties will agree on the organization of work proposed for the concurrent meetings, as described in the present document. It is envisaged that two working groups will be established to address the items, as set out in annex III.

¹ For reasons of physical space constraints, access to the negotiating rooms may be limited. In such cases, participants who do not have access to the meeting rooms may follow the proceedings in an overflow room, or online.

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

13. The Conference of the Parties will designate the chairs of each working group.² The President will then invite the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol followed by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol to: agree on the organization of work proposed for the concurrent meetings, as described in the present document; endorse the working groups established by the Conference of the Parties; and refer items of their respective agendas to the working groups, as appropriate.

14. Under agenda item 2, the Conference of the Parties will need to elect 10 vice-presidents,³ for a term of office commencing upon the closure of the sixteenth meeting and ending at the closure of the seventeenth meeting. The Conference of the Parties will also elect the Chair of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the Chair of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, for a similar term of office. A single report on credentials will be submitted by the Bureau in the context of agenda item 3 of the present meetings.

15. Under agenda item 6 of the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, item 4 of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and item 4 of the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, reports of the following meetings will be presented:

(a) The reports of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice on its twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth meetings;

(b) The reports of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation on its fourth and fifth meetings;

(c) The report of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Intersessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention on its twelfth meeting;

(d) The reports of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Benefit-sharing from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources of its first and second meetings.

16. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols will also hear reports from their respective compliance committees. However, substantive matters arising from the reports of the compliance committees are expected to be referred to the working groups. The President will also call for nominations of members of the compliance committees whose terms of office will commence in January 2025.

17. The report of the Executive Secretary on the programme of work and budget will be addressed under agenda item 7 of the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and item 6 of the other two meetings. It is expected that the Conference of the Parties will establish a contact group on budgetary matters and designate its chair. If established, the contact group on budgetary matters will hold its first meeting on 22 October and meet as necessary thereafter. The Conference of the Parties will address agenda item 8, on progress on the preparation of targets and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans by Parties in line with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, on the basis of the outcome of the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation.

18. The first plenary session will then be adjourned so that the working groups may commence their work.

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

³ In the event that one or more vice-presidents are elected from Parties to the Convention that are not party to one or both Protocols, a substitute will be elected from among the Parties to the Protocol to chair items related to one or the other Protocol.

D. Working groups and contact groups

19. With the exception of some specific items that will be addressed directly in plenary sessions, most of the agenda items for each meeting will be first considered by one of the two working groups. Upon concluding its work, each working group will deliver a set of draft decisions and its report to the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol or the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, as relevant.

20. 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 will, where appropriate, be addressed in proximity by the same working group.

21. Given the limited time available, it is envisaged that most of the draft decisions that have been prepared by the subsidiary bodies and working groups (Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, Subsidiary Body on Implementation, Ad Hoc Open-ended Intersessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention, and Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Benefit-sharing from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources) will not require a further reading in the working group sessions before the preparation of texts by the chairs of the working groups or of the contact groups in the form of conference room papers or non-papers. Consequently, the time initially allocated to a working group session for each of those items is brief, yet sufficient for the procedural requirements. There are two scenarios for those items:

(a) For items with many or complex unresolved issues, a contact group will be established to facilitate text-based negotiations among Parties with a view to preparing a consensus text that can be submitted to the working group by the Chair as a conference room paper. For most items, the contact group is expected to work on the basis of the draft decisions prepared by the subsidiary bodies or working groups. 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 prepare a conference room paper directly and may consult Parties in doing so.

22. For those items that have not been addressed by a subsidiary body or a working group, due time will be allocated in the working group session for a first reading. This applies in particular to a number of items under the Cartagena Protocol and the Nagoya Protocol, as indicated in annex IV. However, Parties and observers will be invited to keep their interventions brief and to make full use of the facility for uploading their 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. In most cases, though, it is expected that the Chair will be able to prepare a text without the need for a contact group.

23. In line with established practice, contact groups will be established in plenary or by the working groups, as needed, to address specific items. However, with a view to enabling delegations to better plan 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 annex II. The Bureau will keep the timetable under review and may propose changes to the schedule. Also in line with usual practice, a maximum of four contact groups (two per working group), not including the contact group on budgetary matters, could normally meet at any one time. Additional informal consultations may be held, but with due regard to the availability of delegates, in particular those from small delegations, and the need to avoid, as far as possible, parallel consultations on very closely related issues.

24. Annex IV provides a table of items with an indication of the envisaged scenario for each.

25. In all scenarios, the intention is to prepare a conference room paper that can command consensus in the respective working group with minimum further discussion, while also ensuring inclusiveness and transparency.

26. Following the review of a conference room paper and approval by the working group, a text (“L” document) will be submitted by the President in plenary for adoption.

E. Stocktaking plenary sessions

27. A joint plenary session is scheduled for 25 October, at the end of the first week. It will be devoted to reports on progress from the Chairs of the working groups and the chairs of any contact groups established in plenary and to taking stock of progress. “L” documents” that are ready for adoption may be considered at that session.

28. Additional plenary sessions may be held as necessary to take stock of progress and consider any further “L” documents” that are ready for adoption.

F. Final stages of the negotiations

29. 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 President. The President may also convene meetings of heads of delegations for informal consultations. The President, the Chairs of the working groups and the Secretariat will ensure that all final texts are brought back to the working groups or in plenary to ensure transparency.

G. Final plenary sessions

30. The final plenary sessions will be convened on the final day of the meetings, in the morning of 1 November. The Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols will each: adopt the draft decisions submitted to them by the working groups and the contact group on budgetary matters; consider other matters, if any, under their respective agenda items; and adopt their respective meeting reports.

31. Representatives speaking on behalf of regional groups and representatives of other delegations will then be invited to make closing remarks on matters related to one or more of the meetings, if they so wish and time allowing. Following the closing remarks, the President will declare each meeting closed.

H. Technical arrangements

32. Whether in plenary or in working groups, States that are not Parties to the Cartagena Protocol or the Nagoya Protocol will be considered as observers for the consideration of the items specific to the agendas of the meetings of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols. Technical measures will be in put place during the related deliberations to assist the Presidents of the meetings or the chairs of the working groups with identifying Parties and non-Parties, so that they may give priority in speaking order to the Parties to the Protocols.

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

34. The three meetings will be conducted in person to allow the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols to complete their work and engage in full negotiations.

35. All documents for the meetings, including in-session documents, will be made available on a dedicated website.⁴ Every effort will be made to ensure timely meeting announcements on screens and on the website of the meetings during the sessions.

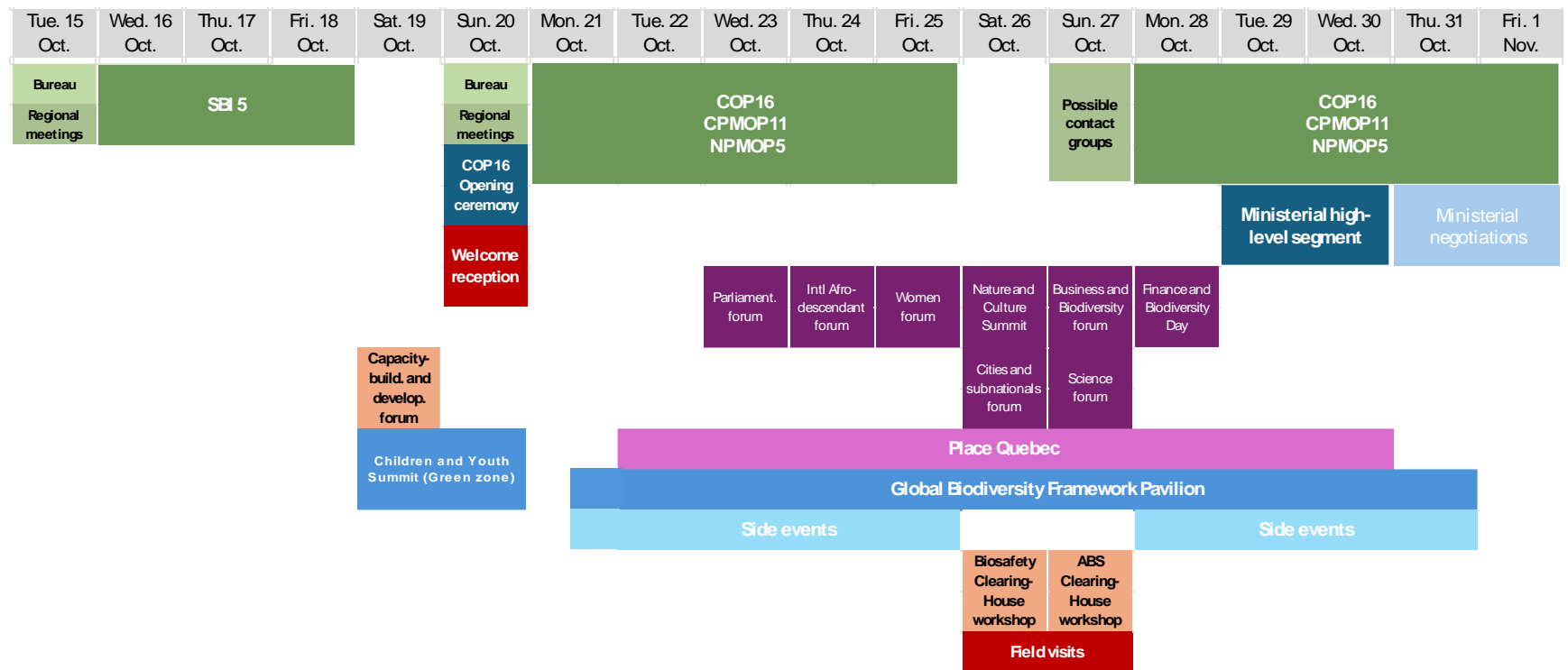
36. The sessions of the plenary and the working groups will be live-streamed through United Nations Web TV in the six official languages.⁵

⁴ www.cbd.int/conferences/2024.

⁵ <https://webtv.un.org/>.

Annex I

Overview of the United Nations Biodiversity Conference



Abbreviations: COP, Conference of the Parties; CP MOP, Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety; NP MOP, 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; SBI, Subsidiary Body on Implementation.

Annex II

Tentative schedule

	Mon. 21 Oct.	Tue. 22 Oct.	Wed. 23 Oct.	Thu. 24 Oct.	Fri. 25 Oct.			Mon. 28 Oct.	Tue. 29 Oct.	Wed. 30 Oct.	Thu. 31 Oct.	Fri. 1 Nov.
Morning 10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Opening plenary session	WG I Synbio Marine	Resource Mob. Article 8(j) WG II	DSI Financial mech. WG II	WG I WG II			WG I WG II	CG CG CG High-level segment	CG CG CG High-level segment	WG I WG II	Closing plenary session (including adoption of decisions)
	WG I WG II	Resource mob. Article 8(j) WG II	DSI Article 8(j) Climate Health	Resource mob. PMRR WG II	Plenary session: stocktake, elections and adoption of decisions			CG (tbc) CG (tbc) CG (tbc)	CG CG CG High-level segment	CG CG CG High-level segment	WG I WG II	Closing plenary session (continued)
	DSI Article 8(j) Mainstr. Health	DSI CB/TSC WG II	DSI CB/TSC RA-RM Marine	WG I Climate Synbio	CG (tbc) CG (tbc) CG (tbc) CG (tbc)			CG (tbc) CG (tbc) CG (tbc) CG (tbc)	CG (tbc) CG (tbc) WG II	Plenary session: stocktake, adoption of decisions		

Abbreviations: CG, contact group; CB/TSC, capacity-building and technical and scientific cooperation; DSI, digital sequence information on genetic resources; RA-RM, risk assessment and risk management; WG, working group.

Annex III

Proposed organization of work for the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol

<i>Date</i>	<i>Agenda items to be considered in plenary</i>						
Monday, 21 October (morning session)	COP	CP	NP				
	1	1	1	Opening of the meeting			
	2	2	2	Organizational matters (agenda, election of officers, organization of work)			
	3	3	3	Report on credentials of representatives of Parties			
	4			Pending issues			
	5			Date and venue of future meetings of the Conference of the Parties			
	6	4	4	Reports 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			
8			Progress on the preparation of targets and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans by Parties in line with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework				
<i>Date</i>	<i>Agenda items to be considered by Working Group I</i>			<i>Agenda items to be considered by Working Group II</i>			
	COP	CP	NP	COP	CP	NP	
Monday, 21 October (afternoon session)	9		14	Digital sequence information on genetic resources	17		Mainstreaming of biodiversity within and across sectors
	10			Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting and review	18		Diverse values of biodiversity
	11	7	7	Resource mobilization and financial mechanism	20		Marine and coastal biodiversity, and island biodiversity
	12			Capacity-building and development, technical and scientific cooperation, clearing-house mechanism and knowledge management	21		Invasive alien species
					22		Biodiversity and health
	14			Implementation of Article 8(j) and related provisions	23		Plant conservation
	26			Liability and redress (Article 14, paragraph 2)	24		Synthetic biology
				25		Biodiversity and climate change	

					19		Sustainable wildlife management
					16		Scientific and technical needs to support implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including implications for the programmes of work of the Convention
					28		Multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties
						5	Report of the Compliance Committee
						8	Capacity-building and development
						9	Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House and information-sharing
Monday, 21 October (evening session)	9		14	Contact group: digital sequence information on genetic resources (to be confirmed)	22		Contact group: biodiversity and health (to be confirmed)
	14			Contact group: implementation of Article 8(j) (to be confirmed)	17		Contact group: mainstreaming of biodiversity (to be confirmed)
Tuesday, 22 October (morning session)	13			Cooperation with international organizations and bodies established under other conventions	20		Contact group: marine and coastal biodiversity, and island biodiversity (to be confirmed)
	15			Communication, education and public awareness	24		Contact group: synthetic biology (to be confirmed)
	27	10	12	Review of the effectiveness of processes under the Convention and its Protocols			
	7	6	6	<i>Contact group on budgetary matters (will meet as and when needed)</i>			
Tuesday, 22 October (afternoon session)	11	7	7	Contact group: resource mobilization (to be confirmed)		11	Cooperation with international organizations
	14			Contact group: implementation of Article 8(j) (to be confirmed)		15	Specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments
						16	Global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanisms
						10	Assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Protocol
						13	Enhancing the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in the context of the Framework
						11	Risk assessment and risk management
						12	Detection and identification of living modified organisms
Tuesday, 22 October	9		14	Contact group: digital sequence information on genetic resources (to be confirmed)		5	Report of the Compliance Committee

(evening session)	12			Contact group: capacity-building and development (to be confirmed)	8		Operation and activities of the Biosafety Clearing-House
Wednesday, 23 October (morning session)	11	7	7	Contact group: resource mobilization (to be confirmed)	9		Cooperation with international organizations
					13		Socioeconomic considerations
	14			Contact group: implementation of Article 8(j) (to be confirmed)	14		Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress
Wednesday, 23 October (afternoon session)	9		14	Contact group: digital sequence information on genetic resources (to be confirmed)	22		Contact group: biodiversity and health (to be confirmed)
	14			Contact group: implementation of Article 8(j) (to be confirmed)	25		Contact group: biodiversity and climate change (to be confirmed)
Wednesday, 23 October (evening session)	9		14	Contact group: digital sequence information on genetic resources (to be confirmed)	20		Contact group: marine and coastal biodiversity, and island biodiversity (to be confirmed)
	12			Contact group: capacity-building and development (to be confirmed)		11	Contact group: risk assessment and risk management (to be confirmed)
Thursday, 24 October (morning session)	9		14	Contact group: digital sequence information on genetic resources (to be confirmed)			Review of conference room papers
	11	7	7	Contact group: financial mechanism (to be confirmed)			
Thursday, 24 October (afternoon session)	11	7	7	Contact group: resource mobilization (to be confirmed)			Review of conference room papers
	10			Contact group: mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting and review (to be confirmed)			
Thursday, 24 October (evening session)				Review of conference room papers	25		Contact group: biodiversity and climate change (to be confirmed)
					24		Contact group: synthetic biology (to be confirmed)
Friday, 25 October (morning session)				Review of conference room papers			Review of conference room papers
Friday, 25 October (afternoon session)	2	2	2	Plenary session Stocktaking and adoption of decisions Organizational matters (election of officers)			
Friday, 25 October				Contact group (to be determined)			Contact group (to be determined)
				Contact group (to be determined)			Contact group (to be determined)

(evening session)							
Saturday, 26 October				<i>No formal meetings will be held on Saturday, 26 October</i>			
Sunday, 27 October				<i>No formal meetings are currently scheduled for Sunday, 27 October; however, on the advice of the Bureau, a limited number of contact groups or informal consultations could be convened if needed</i>			
Monday, 28 October (morning session)				Review of conference room papers			Review of conference room papers
Monday, 28 October (afternoon session)				<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>			<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>
Monday, 28 October (evening session)				<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>			<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>
Tuesday, 29 October (morning session)				<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>			<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>
Tuesday, 29 October (afternoon session)				<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>			<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>
Tuesday, 29 October (evening session)				<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>			<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i> Review of conference room papers
Wednesday, 30 October (morning session)				<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>			<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>
Wednesday, 30 October				<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>			<i>Contact groups (to be determined)</i>

(afternoon session)							
Wednesday, 30 October (evening session)	Plenary session Stocktaking and adoption of decisions						
Thursday, 31 October (morning session)				Review of conference room papers			Review of conference room papers
Thursday, 31 October (afternoon session)				Review of conference room papers			Review of conference room papers
Friday, 1 November (morning session)	Closing plenary session Adoption of decisions						
Friday, 1 November (afternoon session)	29	15	17	Other matters			
	30	16	18	Adoption of the report			
	31	17	19	Closure of the meeting			

Note: greyed out dates are also dates for the high-level segment.

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Annex IV

Envisaged scenario for each agenda item

Table 1

Items for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting

Agenda items		Basis of draft decision	Full first reading	CG (or FoC)	Notes
5	Date and venue of future meetings of the Conference of the Parties	Offers received	No	No	Straight to conference room paper.
7	Administration of the Convention and budget for the trust funds	Document CBD/COP/16/4 and recommendation SBI-4/14	No	Yes	Straight to contact group on budget, multiple sessions as per usual practice Recommendation SBI-4/14 not reviewed by SBI following the first reading.
8	Progress on the preparation of targets and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans by Parties in line with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework	Recommendation SBI-5/1 Documents prepared for the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and outcomes of the meeting	No	No	Propose to be addressed in plenary, given its detailed consideration by SBI at its fifth meeting. <i>Early adoption of a decision is possible.</i>
9	Digital sequence information on genetic resources	Recommendation WGDSI-2/1	No	Yes	Straight to contact group, multiple sessions expected.
10	Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting and review <i>Monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework</i> <i>Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting and review, including the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework to be conducted at the seventeenth and nineteenth meetings of the Conference of the Parties</i>	Recommendations SBSTTA-26/1 and WG8J-12/3 Recommendation SBI-4/2	No	Yes	Straight to contact group. Gap analysis (annex III not reviewed by SBSTTA). Procedures for Global Review (annex III of the terms of reference for a potential advisory group were not reviewed by SBI). Annex II on non-State actors was not reviewed by SBI following the first reading.
11	Resource mobilization and financial mechanism				

Agenda items		Basis of draft decision	Full first reading	CG (or FoC)	Notes
	<i>Resource mobilization</i>	Recommendation SBI-4/3	No	Yes	Straight to contact group. Insufficient time at SBI to go through all issues.
	<i>Financial mechanism</i>	Recommendation SBI-4/4 and documents CBD/COP/16/6, CBD/COP/16/7 and CBD/COP/16/8	Yes	Yes	Straight to contact group.
12	Capacity-building and development, technical & scientific cooperation, clearing-house mechanism and knowledge management				
	<i>Capacity-building and development and technical and scientific cooperation</i>	Recommendation SBI-4/5	No	Yes	Straight to contact group. <i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
	<i>Clearing-house mechanism and knowledge management</i>	Recommendation SBI-4/6	No	Yes (same CG for both topics under item 12)	The annexes to the draft decision on knowledge management and clearing-house mechanism were not reviewed by SBI and are in brackets.
13	Cooperation with international organizations and bodies established under other conventions	Recommendation SBI-4/9	Yes	No	Straight to conference room paper. The draft decision was not reviewed by SBI following the first reading.
14	Implementation of Article 8(j) and related provisions				Despite challenges, it is suggested to consider prioritizing the item for early adoption to allow space during the second week for other complex issues.
	<i>In-depth dialogue on Article 8(j) and related provisions</i>	Recommendation WG8J-12/1	No	No	
	<i>Development of a new programme of work and institutional arrangements on Article 8(j) and related provisions</i>	Recommendation WG8J-12/2	No	Yes	Straight to contact group, to be established early on. Supported by informal consultations.
	<i>Recommendations from the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues</i>	Recommendation WG8J-12/5	No	No	Linked to topic above.

Agenda items		Basis of draft decision	Full first reading	CG (or FoC)	Notes
15	Communication, education and public awareness	Recommendation SBI-4/8	No	No	The annex not reviewed by SBI following the first reading.
16	Scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including implications for the programmes of work of the Convention	Recommendation SBSTTA-26/2	No	Yes	Linked to item 28 (multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties).
	<i>Scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Framework</i> <i>Matters related to the work programme of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services</i>	Recommendation SBSTTA-25/2	No	Yes (same CG for both topics under item 16)	To be determined.
17	Mainstreaming of biodiversity within and across sectors	Recommendation SBI-4/10	No	Yes	The draft decision was not reviewed by SBI following the first reading.
18	Diverse values of biodiversity	Recommendation SBSTTA-25/5	No	No	Straight to conference room paper. <i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
19	Sustainable wildlife management	Recommendation SBSTTA-25/7 and document CBD/COP/16/11	Yes	No	Straight to conference room paper. <i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
20	Marine and coastal biodiversity, and island biodiversity	Recommendation SBSTTA-26/8	No	Yes	Annex not reviewed by SBSTTA and a few other issues.
	<i>Further work on ecologically or biologically significant marine areas</i> <i>Conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity</i>	Recommendation SBSTTA-26/7	No	Yes (same CG for both topics under item 20)	

<i>Agenda items</i>		<i>Basis of draft decision</i>	<i>Full first reading</i>	<i>CG (or FoC)</i>	<i>Notes</i>
21	Invasive alien species	Recommendation SBSTTA-25/6	No	No	Straight to conference room paper. <i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
22	Biodiversity and health	Recommendation SBSTTA-26/9	No	Yes	One or two contact group sessions. Annexes II, III and IV were not reviewed by SBSTTA.
23	Plant conservation	Recommendation SBSTTA-25/4	No	No	Straight to conference room paper, with informal consultations. Annex not reviewed in detail at SBSTTA 25.
24	Synthetic biology	Recommendation SBSTTA-26/4	No	Yes	Straight to contact group.
25	Biodiversity and climate change	Recommendation SBSTTA-25/8	No	Yes	
26	Liability and redress (Article 14, paragraph 2)	Document CBD/COP/16/12	No	No	<i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
27	Review of the effectiveness of processes under the Convention and its Protocols	Recommendation SBI-4/12	No	Yes	
28	Multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties	Recommendation SBI-4/13	No	Yes	Linked to item 16 (Scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Framework). Draft decision not reviewed by SBI following the first reading.

Table 2

Items for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol

<i>Agenda items</i>		<i>Basis of draft decision</i>	<i>Full first reading</i>	<i>CG (or FoC)</i>	<i>Potential way forward</i>
5	Report of the Compliance Committee	Document CBD/CP/MOP/11/3	Yes	FOC?	Will depend on the interventions during the first reading. <i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
6	Administration of the Protocol and budget for the trust funds	Document CBD/CP/MOP/11/5	No	Yes (same as COP)	Joint item with COP and Nagoya MOP – straight to contact group, multiple sessions as per usual practice.
7	Matters related to the financial mechanism and resources	Document CBD/CP/MOP/11/6	Yes	No	If MOP wishes to provide guidance to GEF for the Protocol, then decision needs to be adopted early for guidance to be included in COP decision.

<i>Agenda items</i>		<i>Basis of draft decision</i>	<i>Full first reading</i>	<i>CG (or FoC)</i>	<i>Potential way forward</i>
8	Operation and activities of the Biosafety Clearing-House	Document CBD/CP/MOP/11/7	Yes	No	<i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
9	Cooperation with international organizations, bodies established under other conventions, and initiatives	Document CBD/CP/MOP/11/8	Yes	No	No decision expected – CP MOP to note information provided.
10	Review of effectiveness of processes under the Convention and its Protocols	Recommendation SBI-4/12	No	Yes (same as COP)	Joint item with COP and NP MOP.
11	Risk assessment and risk management	Recommendation SBSTTA-26/5 and document CBD/CP/MOP/11/9	No	Yes	
12	Detection and identification of living modified organisms	SBSTTA-26/6	No	No	Straight to conference room paper. <i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
13	Socioeconomic considerations	CBD/CP/MOP/11/10	Yes	No	<i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
14	Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress	CBD/CP/MOP/11/11	Yes	No	<i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>

Table 3

Items for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol

<i>Agenda items</i>		<i>Basis of draft decision</i>	<i>Full first reading</i>	<i>CG (or FoC)</i>	<i>Potential way forward</i>
5	Report of the Compliance Committee	Document CBD/NP/MOP/5/3	Yes	No	<i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
6	Administration of the Protocol and budget for the trust funds	Document CBD/NP/MOP/5/5	No	Yes (same as COP)	Joint item with COP and CP MOP – straight to contact group, multiple sessions as per usual practice.
7	Financial mechanism and resources	Document CBD/NP/MOP/5/6	Yes	No	If MOP wishes to provide guidance to GEF for the Protocol, then the decision needs to be adopted early for guidance to be included in COP decision.

<i>Agenda items</i>		<i>Basis of draft decision</i>	<i>Full first reading</i>	<i>CG (or FoC)</i>	<i>Potential way forward</i>
8	Capacity-building and development and awareness-raising	Recommendation SBI-4/7	No	No	Straight to conference room paper. <i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
9	Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House and information-sharing	Document CBD/NP/MOP/5/7	Yes	No	<i>Potential for early adoption of the decision.</i>
10	Assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Protocol	Recommendation SBI-4/11	No	No	Straight to conference room paper. Draft decision not reviewed by SBI following first reading.
11	Cooperation with international organizations, bodies established under other conventions, and initiatives	Document CBD/NP/MOP/5/8	Yes	No	No decision expected – MOP to note information provided.
12	Review of the effectiveness of processes under the Convention and its Protocols	Recommendation SBI-4/12	No	Yes (same as COP)	Joint item with COP and CP MOP.
13	Enhancing the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in the context of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework	Document CBD/NP/MOP/5/9	Yes	No	
14	Digital sequence information on genetic resources	Recommendation WGDSI-2/1	No	Yes (same as COP)	Will be considered in conjunction with item 9 of COP.
15	Specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments in the context of Article 4, paragraph 4, of the Nagoya Protocol	Recommendation SBI-3/16	No	Yes	
16	Global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism	Document CBD/NP/MOP/5/10	Yes	No	

Abbreviations: CG, contact group; COP, Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity; CP MOP, Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety; FoC, Friends of the Chair; NP MOP, 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 to the Convention on Biological Diversity; SBI, Subsidiary Body on Implementation; SBSTTA, Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice; WG8J, Ad Hoc Open-ended Intersessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions; WGDSI, Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Benefit-sharing from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources.