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THEMATIC WORKSHOP ON AREA-BASED CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

La Prairie (Greater Montreal area), Canada,
1-3 December 2019

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. The Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, at its fourteenth meeting, adopted decision [14/34](#) on the preparatory process for the development of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and requested the Executive Secretary to facilitate the implementation of the process. The Conference of the Parties decided that the post-2020 global biodiversity framework should be accompanied by an inspirational and motivating 2030 Mission as a stepping stone towards the 2050 Vision of “Living in harmony with nature”. In order to support the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, an open-ended intersessional working group was established, and Mr. Francis Ogwal (Uganda) and Mr. Basile van Havre (Canada) were designated as Co-Chairs of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, which held its first meeting in Nairobi from 27 to 30 August 2019, with discussions centred on the possible elements of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and decisions regarding future steps for its preparation.
2. In decision [14/34](#) (para. 6), the Conference of the Parties urged Parties and invited other Governments and stakeholders to “actively engage and contribute to the process of developing a robust post-2020 global biodiversity framework in order to foster strong ownership of the framework to be agreed and strong support for its immediate implementation”. Therefore, it was agreed that regional consultations and thematic workshops would take place as a platform for the discussions. At its first meeting, the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework took note of a preliminary list of meetings, consultations and workshops for the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and requested that this be further developed and updated.¹
3. The Thematic Workshop on Area-based Conservation Measures for the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework will be held in La Prairie, Canada, a suburb on Montreal’s South Shore, from 1 to 3 December 2019. The workshop is being planned and organized by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity with the generous financial support of the Government of Norway and the National Geographic Society, and under the guidance of the Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework. The workshop will be attended by approximately 100 participants, including representatives of Parties to the Convention, as well as relevant organizations and representatives of major stakeholder groups (such as indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth), including the CBD Alliance.
4. The workshop is an expert meeting aimed at providing specific inputs for the use of the Co-Chairs of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework for consideration in their work on the zero draft of the post-2020 framework. The expected outputs would contribute to informing negotiations at the second meeting of the Working Group, to be held in Kunming, China, from 24 to 29

¹ For the report of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework on its first meeting, see [CBD/WG2020/1/5](#).

February 2020. The thematic workshop will explore options for elements of goal(s), target(s), and sub-target(s) with baselines and relevant indicators on area-based conservation measures to inform the post-2020 framework.

5. A concept note has been posted on the workshop [website](#), and an introductory information email has been sent to participants. Three information documents are also being issued: (a) general background on area-based conservation measures; (b) summaries of some recently published papers on area-based conservation measures; and (c) synthesis of views from submissions regarding area-based conservation measures in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

6. Webinars have been organized prior to the workshop to provide participants with background information on the workshop, as well as the approach, objectives, expected outputs and overall expected outcome.

7. Registration of participants will commence at 8.30 a.m. on Sunday, 1 December 2019.

8. The provisional agenda ([CBD/POST2020/WS/2019/9/1](#)) has been prepared by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Co-Chairs of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework. A proposed organization of work is presented in the [annex](#) below. The workshop will be conducted in English.

ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE WORKSHOP

9. The meeting will be opened at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, 1 December 2019. Opening remarks will be made by a representative of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

ITEM 2. INTRODUCTION TO AND PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP

10. The Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework will provide an overview of progress in the preparatory process for the post-2020 framework.

11. The co-leads for the workshop,² as appointed by the Co-Chairs of the Working Group, will then make a presentation on the objectives and expected outputs of the workshop.

ITEM 3. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

12. The participants will be invited to consider the provisional agenda and the proposed organization of work, as contained in the [annex](#), and adopt them with any amendments deemed necessary.

13. The workshop co-leads will nominate facilitators for the breakout sessions on the basis of the expertise and experience of the workshop participants and in consultation with the Secretariat and the Co-Chairs.

ITEM 4. OUTCOMES OF PREVIOUS THEMATIC WORKSHOPS FOR THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

14. Two presentations will be provided regarding the outcomes of the previous two thematic workshops for the post-2020 framework:

- (a) Ecosystem restoration;
- (b) Marine and coastal biodiversity.

15. These presentations will set the stage for discussion regarding the relationship between different aspects of the post-2020 framework and the elements of the 2050 Vision.

ITEM 5. STOCK-TAKING ON CURRENT STATE AND FUTURE TRENDS

16. The first day will be devoted to setting the stage, stock-taking and lessons learned. Two presentations will provide some background on the status and future trends of area-based conservation

² The workshop co-leads are Marie-May Muzungail (Seychelles) and Stefan Leiner (European Commission).

measures, including on the progress that has been made to date and what is necessary in the future to inform the formulation of possible goals, targets or sub-targets.

17. One presentation will provide relevant results from the Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem (IPBES), emphasizing the drivers of biodiversity loss and their relation to area-based conservation measures.

18. A second presentation will provide an overview of progress on Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 implementation, covering all elements of the target and presenting a possible view of the status in 2020 based on the implementation of proposed national commitments.

ITEM 6. AREA-BASED CONSERVATION MEASURES AND THE 2050 VISION

19. This item will focus on identifying or determining relevant aspects of area-based conservation measures as they relate to the 2050 Vision and will include three presentations made in plenary.

20. The first presentation will help to introduce various approaches to area-based conservation measures, including other effective area-based conservation measures (OECMs), as defined in decision 14/8.

21. A representative of the National Geographic Society will make a presentation on new global ocean maps showing where the priority areas for biodiversity conservation are found. This is done using a framework that allows prioritization by considering factors that facilitate the achievement of other objectives (carbon storage and food provisioning). The results will inform the post-2020 framework.

22. The third presentation will identify relevant aspects of area-based conservation measures in unpacking the 2050 Vision, whereby biodiversity is valued, conserved, restored and wisely used, maintaining ecosystem services, sustaining a healthy planet and delivering benefits that are essential for all people.

ITEM 7. LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE WORK TOWARDS THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AICHI BIODIVERSITY TARGET 11

23. This item will facilitate discussions on opportunities and challenges faced in the work towards the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Target 11.

24. Participants will split into breakout groups to discuss lessons drawn from the design, progress and monitoring of Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 and how this can inform the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework in the context of area-based conservation measures. This discussion on lessons learned will include what worked, what did not work, and how this can be addressed for inclusion in the post-2020 framework.

25. Discussions under this agenda item will build on the previous two items, in particular considering the implications of the design of Target 11 for subsequent efforts at implementation and monitoring, and the relation of area-based conservation measures to the post-2020 framework and to the 2050 Vision.

26. The results of the breakout groups will be reported to the plenary by facilitators. These results will feed into the discussions on specific thematic issues discussed on Day 2.

ITEM 8. CASE STUDIES FOCUSED ON TARGET SETTING FOR THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

27. Case study presentations will be made by representatives of five Parties – one from each of the five regions of the United Nations. These presentations will serve to share experience and show what targets, sub-targets, actions and indicators look like. It should be noted that the purpose of the presentations is to nourish the deliberations of the following two days of the workshop, and they are not meant to be country positions *per se*.

ITEM 9. AREA-BASED CONSERVATION MEASURES IN THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK: ELEMENTS OF GOALS AND TARGETS

28. With the support of facilitators and note-takers designated by the workshop co-leads, participants will split into rotating breakout groups to discuss different thematic issues. So that each group has a discussion on every thematic issue, the groups will rotate after every 30 to 45 minutes. The thematic issues are as follows:

(a) The potential scope of area-based conservation measures to be included in the post-2020 framework (for example protected areas, OECM, indigenous lands), considering also other relevant international instruments and processes, and including possible coverage (for example the percentage of terrestrial and percentage of marine ecosystems with a special spatial management regime);

(b) Representativeness, especially areas of importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services (areas of importance for priority conservation and for conservation overall in the long term);

(c) Connectivity (enhancing a coherent well-connected network of areas of importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services) and the ecosystem approach;

(d) Effectiveness (including means to improve and strengthen conservation effectiveness);

(e) Equity and good governance, as well as benefit-sharing (including social impacts and ecosystem services);

(f) Land- and sea-scape approaches to enhance conservation outcomes and sustainable use, including spatial planning.

29. These discussions will focus on constructive and specific proposals for goals, targets, sub-targets, and actions for area-based conservation measures in the post-2020 framework with a view towards the 2050 Vision. Each breakout group will discuss and identify options for potential goals, targets, sub-targets and actions for the thematic issues listed above. Throughout the day, all participants will have the opportunity to discuss each of the six thematic issues. The breakout groups will not aim to achieve consensus, but, rather, focus on developing streamlined options for potential language in the post-2020 framework.

30. The results of the breakout groups will be reported to the plenary by facilitators during the morning of Day 3. Facilitators and note-takers will synthesize the breakout group discussions and provide them to the Secretariat for inclusion in the workshop report.

ITEM 10. BASELINE AND INDICATORS FOR EFFECTIVE MONITORING

31. Participants will split into small groups and, with the support of facilitators designated by the workshop co-leads, will discuss baseline information, indicators, and the monitoring framework necessary for the development of long-term goals, targets, and sub-targets for area-based conservation measures in the post-2020 framework. Baselines and indicators should be aligned with, and explicitly linked to, the long-term goals and the 2030 targets of the framework to allow for ongoing monitoring.

32. This discussion will build on the thematic issues discussed on Day 2 ([Item 9](#)). Baselines, indicators and monitoring will be discussed for each of the thematic issues, including: the potential scope and coverage of area-based conservation measures; representativeness, especially areas of importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services; connectivity and the ecosystem approach; conservation effectiveness; equitable governance; and land-and-sea-scape approaches, including spatial planning.

33. The results of the breakout groups will be reported to the plenary by facilitators. Facilitators will synthesize the breakout group discussions and provide this to the Secretariat for inclusion in the report of the workshop.

ITEM 11. CONTRIBUTION TO OTHER POTENTIAL ELEMENTS OF THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

34. This item will allow for a discussion of the contribution of area-based conservation measures to other elements of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (for example species, habitats, restoration, climate change).

35. Participants will split into small groups at each half-moon table for discussion, with the support of facilitators elected from among participants in each group. Following discussion, results will be reported to the plenary by facilitators.

ITEM 12. FURTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

36. At the end of Day 2, cards will be provided to all participants to collect feedback regarding key issues that were either missing or were not discussed enough during first two days of the workshop. Several items for further in-depth discussion will be selected from these proposals.

37. Discussions will take place in small groups with the support of facilitators elected from among participants in each group. The results of these discussions will be reported to the plenary by facilitators.

ITEM 13. CLOSING OF THE WORKSHOP

38. The Co-Chairs of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and the workshop co-leads will reflect on the discussions of the workshop and present next steps regarding the process for the preparations of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and the consideration of area-based conservation measures.

39. A closing statement will be made by a representative of the Secretariat of the Convention.

40. The workshop is expected to close at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, 3 December 2019.

*Annex***PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK**

Time	Session	Remarks
Day 1	Sunday, 1 December 2019	
8.30-9.30 a.m.	<i>Registration and DSA distribution</i>	
9.30-10.10 a.m.	<p>Agenda item 1. Opening of the workshop</p> <p>Agenda item 2. Introduction to and purpose of the workshop</p> <p>Statements by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBD Secretariat (opening remarks by the Executive Secretary) • Presentation by Co-Chairs of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework on the progress in developing the framework • Presentation by the co-leads of the workshop 	<i>Plenary</i>
10.10-10.15 a.m.	<p>Agenda item 3. Organizational matters</p> <p>Adoption of the agenda and organization of work</p>	
10.15-10.45 a.m.	<p>Agenda item 4. Outcomes of previous thematic workshops for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework</p> <p>Presentations will be made regarding the outcomes of the previous two thematic workshops for post-2020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ecosystem restoration • Marine and coastal biodiversity 	<i>Plenary presentations</i>
10.45-11.15 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.15 a.m.-12 noon	<p>Agenda item 5. Stock-taking on current state and future trends</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results of IPBES <i>Global Assessment</i>, with relevance to area-based conservation measures • Current status of Target 11 progress 	<i>Plenary presentations</i>
12 noon-12.45 p.m.	<p>Agenda item 6. Area-based conservation measures and the 2050 Vision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types of area-based conservation measures (OECMs, ICCAs, etc.) • Presentation by National Geographic on MPAs • Relevant aspects area-based conservation measures in unpacking the 2050 Vision (contribution to all elements of the 2050 Vision) 	<i>Plenary presentations</i>
12.45-1.45 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Lunch break</i> 	
1.15-3 p.m.	Agenda item 7. Lessons learned from the work towards the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Target 11	<i>Small group discussions</i>
3-3.30 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>	
3.30-4.45 p.m.	<p>Agenda item 7 (continued)</p> <p>Report back from earlier discussion on lessons learned</p>	<i>Plenary</i>
4.45-6 p.m.	<p>Agenda item 8. Case studies focused on target-setting for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework</p> <p>Presentations by representatives of five Parties – one per United Nations region.</p>	<i>Plenary presentations</i>

Time	Session	Remarks
Day 2	Monday, 2 December 2019	
9-9.15 a.m.	Reflections from co-leads on previous day's activities	<i>Plenary</i>
9.15-9.30 a.m.	Presentation by co-leads to explain the day's proceedings (format for thematic stations, etc.)	<i>Plenary</i>
9.30-10.30 a.m.	<p>Agenda item 9. Area-based conservation measures in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework: elements of goals and targets Small group discussion at six thematic stations (throughout the day, all participants will visit all six stations):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential scope and coverage of area-based conservation measures to be included in the framework (including possible quantitative targets); • Representativeness, especially areas of importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services; • Connectivity and the ecosystem approach; • Effectiveness; • Equitable governance; • Land-and-sea-scape approaches, including spatial planning. 	<i>Small group discussions</i>
10.30-11 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11 a.m.-1 p.m.	Agenda item 9 (continued) (2 stations, 1h each)	<i>Small group discussions</i>
1-2 p.m.	<i>Lunch break</i>	
2-4 p.m.	Agenda item 9 (continued) (2 stations, 1h each)	<i>Small group discussions</i>
4-4.30 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>	
4.30-5.30 p.m.	Agenda item 9 (continued)	<i>Small group discussions</i>
5.30-5.45 p.m.	Feedback from participants on cards regarding issues missing or not discussed enough during first two days	<i>Plenary</i>

Time	Session	Remarks
Day 3	Tuesday, 3 December 2019	
9-9.15 a.m.	Reflections from co-leads on previous day's activities	<i>Plenary</i>
9.15-11 a.m.	Agenda item 9 (continued) Results of discussions at each of the six thematic stations from Day 2 will be reported to the plenary by facilitators and rapporteurs	<i>Plenary</i>
11-11.30 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	Agenda item 10. Baseline and indicators for effective monitoring (small group discussions followed by report back)	<i>Small group discussions</i>
1-2.15 p.m.	<i>Lunch break</i>	
2.15-3.30 p.m.	<p>Agenda item 11. Contribution to other potential elements of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topics to consider could include: species conservation, restoration, sustainable use, etc. <p>(discussions at each half-moon table followed by report back)</p>	<i>Small group discussions</i>
3.30-4 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>	

Time	Session	Remarks
4-5.30 p.m.	Agenda item 12. Further items for discussion What was missing in discussions during Day 1 and Day2? (4-6 groups based on the participants' feedback cards from previous day, followed by report back to plenary)	<i>Small group discussions</i>
5.30-6 p.m.	Agenda item 13. Closing of the workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reflections by Co-Chairs of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework• Reflections by workshop o-leads• Closing statement from CBD Secretariat	<i>Plenary</i>
