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Peer review process for the global report on collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework**

Note by the Secretariat

I. Introduction

1. As indicated in document CBD/SBSTTA/28/2, the preliminary draft global report on collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework was made available for peer review from 2 to 29 June 2026 and a revised version based on that review would be made available for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its twenty-eighth meeting and the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its seventh meeting. The concise summary of the preliminary draft was contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/28/2, and the preliminary draft was made available in document CBD/SBSTTA/28/2/Add.1. Further to the peer review, a revised concise summary has now been made available as document [CBD/SBSTTA/28/2/Add.3](#) and the full revised draft report as document CBD/SBSTTA/28/2/Add.1/Rev.1.

2. The following document provides information on the peer review process.

II. Submission of review comments

3. By 29 June 2026, peer review comments were received from 26 Parties (16 Parties from the Western European and Other Group, 4 Parties from the Asia and Pacific Region, 3 from Parties from the Eastern and European States, 2 from Parties from the Latin America and the Caribbean Group and 1 from a Party from Africa) and 64 observers.¹

4. In total 3433 separate review comments were submitted (1650 from Parties and 1783 from observers). Comments were submitted on all sections of the report. Most of the comments received

* [CBD/SBSTTA/28/1](#).

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¹ Review comments were received from a further five Parties and two observers after the deadline. All review comments are accessible from www.cbd.int/notifications/2026-047.

were on section II.B of the report which reviews the collective progress towards each of the targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (45% of comments), followed by the concise summary (19% of comments). While these comments focused on these sections, they often had implications for other sections of the report. Furthermore, 7% of the comments were general or related to the entire report.

5. A compilation of the review comments received and how they have been considered in the preparation of the revision of the first draft of the global report is available at www.cbd.int/gbf/implementation/globalreview.

6. In addition to substantive changes made to the global report, two structural changes were made. The text of the concise summary and section III.B (conclusions) have been revised to remove duplication and to streamline the text. In addition, many submitters noted that the conclusions on the planning, monitoring, reporting and review process were detached from the rest of the report and that it may not be appropriate to have key messages on that topic. In order to have a place for a short reflection of observations that were gleaned in the preparation of the report, there is a text box on planning, monitoring, reporting and review, but this is no longer framed as key messages.

7. Some review comments suggested adding elements which fell outside the scope of the global report and the outline approved by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice in its recommendation 27/1 and consequently could not be reflected in the report. A number of these comments proposed that the report add recommendations, add a full methodology or have additional findings on the use of indicators. The report text is non-prescriptive and thus it does not include recommendations. The word count of the global report is limited to enable translation and formatting, but additional information is available in supplementary documents. A brief description of the methodology used to prepare the global report is provided in the report, while a detailed description of the methodology is available in document [CBD/SBSTTA/28/INF/9](#). The report includes brief findings related to the use of indicators, but more information on this topic is included in document [CBD/SBSTTA/28/INF/11](#).

8. Several submitters suggested undertaking additional analysis, however, given the timeline agreed by the Conference of the Parties for the preparation of the global report, it was not possible to undertake the requested analysis. More generally, the limited time available to revise the draft prior to the twenty-eighth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice had an impact on how review comments could be addressed.

9. The case studies in the global report have been prepared on the basis of the seventh national reports and the submissions received by Parties, indigenous peoples and local communities, secretariats of multilateral environmental agreements and observers in response to relevant notifications. The text of the case studies has been reviewed by the Parties and organizations they refer to before being included in the global report.

10. Several review comments related to editorial issues. These have been addressed, but the report will also be edited before its finalization for the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. Similarly, several of the review comments related to the format and presentation of the graphs, tables and figures used in the report. Where possible, these have been addressed, however, the Secretariat will work with a graphic design firm to prepare the final version of the visual elements of the report to ensure that they are easily understood and consistent throughout the report.