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CONSULTATION WORKSHOP OF BIODIVERSITY-RELATED CONVENTIONS ON THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

First meeting
Bern, 10-12 June 2019

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. At its fourteenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity adopted a decision setting out a preparatory process for the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework ([decision 14/34](#)). Other decisions of the Conference of the Parties contain elements relevant to the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.¹ In [decision 14/30](#) (para. 12), the Conference of the Parties requested the organization of a workshop to facilitate discussions among Parties of the various biodiversity-related conventions to explore ways in which the conventions can contribute to the elaboration of the post-2020 framework and identify specific elements that could be included in the framework. The organization of the present workshop responds to that request.

2. The workshop will be held at the headquarters of the Universal Postal Union in Bern from 10 to 12 June 2019. It will be hosted and sponsored by the Government of Switzerland. It will convene representatives of Parties to 10 global conventions: those conventions represented in the Liaison Group of Biodiversity-related Conventions, and the Rio conventions.² Government representatives of the Parties to the conventions will be drawn from the bureaux or other standing bodies and committees of the conventions, nominated by the conventions concerned and selected in a manner to provide regional balance. In the case of the Convention on Biological Diversity, in addition to members of the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties, the chairpersons of its two subsidiary bodies, the co-chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, and members of the CBD informal advisory group on synergies,³ together selected in such a way as to provide regional balance, will also participate to ensure that insights generated by the workshop are carried forward effectively to inform negotiation of the post-2020 framework. The workshop will involve approximately 120 participants, of whom approximately 60 will be government representatives of Parties to the conventions and approximately 60 representatives or technical experts of the secretariats of relevant organizations, the secretariats of the conventions and the secretariats of other relevant processes.

¹ For an overview of these decisions, see [CBD/POST2020/PREP/1/1](#).

² The eight conventions represented in the Liaison Group of Biodiversity-related Conventions are: the Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage (World Heritage Convention (WHC)), Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS), Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat (Ramsar Convention on Wetlands), International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC), International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA), and International Whaling Commission (IWC). The Rio conventions comprise CBD, the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

³ In decision 14/30 (para. 10), the work of the informal advisory group was extended, and it was assigned by the Conference of the Parties, among other things, to: "... provide the Secretariat and the open-ended working group... with advice on ways to optimize synergies among the biodiversity-related conventions in the development of the post-2020 biodiversity framework".

3. The workshop aims to:
 - (a) Identify ways in which the conventions can further contribute to the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework;
 - (b) Identify ways in which the areas of work under other conventions can be reflected in the framework and contribute to its implementation, in order to maximize its common relevance and applicability as a “global” framework;
 - (c) Identify specific elements that could be included in the framework, based on the respective mandate, strategy and vision of each convention;
 - (d) Identify areas of cross-cutting importance to the conventions, for example related to capacity-building, resource-mobilization and communications,⁴ that could be reflected in the framework;
 - (e) Identify any possible elements that could be included in the framework to enhance synergies among biodiversity-related conventions.
4. Expected outputs of the workshop include:
 - (a) Suggestions that could be conveyed to the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and, through appropriate means, to the relevant bodies of the respective conventions for their consideration on how the conventions can contribute to the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework;
 - (b) Suggestions to the Open-ended Working Group on how the areas of work under other conventions can be reflected in the framework;
 - (c) Suggestions to the Open-ended Working Group on the form and content of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework to best enable it to serve as a holistic framework for the biodiversity-related conventions and to harness benefits from the implementation of each these conventions;
 - (d) Suggestions on aspects of the framework to enhance synergies among the biodiversity-related conventions.
5. An important objective of the workshop is to provide an initial opportunity for each of the conventions to contribute thoughts on their role in the development and implementation of a post-2020 global biodiversity framework of shared ownership, whose implementation would contribute to reaching common goals.

ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE WORKSHOP

6. The workshop will be opened at 9 a.m. by Ambassador Franz Perrez on behalf of the Government of Switzerland. The Executive Secretary, a representative of the President of the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, and a representative member of the Liaison Group of Biodiversity-related Conventions will also make opening remarks.

ITEM 2. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

7. Two participants will be put forward for election as co-chairs for the workshop and another to serve as rapporteur. The co-chairs of the workshop will preside over the workshop, including the adoption of its agenda and organization of work.
8. The provisional agenda has been prepared by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework.
9. The workshop is expected to divide its work between sessions held in plenary and others held in small groups. It will be conducted in English. A proposed organization of work is shown in annex I below. Participants will be invited to agree on the proposed organization of work.

⁴ The issues of capacity-building and resource mobilization will be addressed in dedicated workshops to be held later in 2019.

10. A list of documents for the workshop is contained in annex II below.

ITEM 3. INTRODUCTION TO THE WORKSHOP AND THE PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

11. Under this item, introductions will be provided to the workshop and to the process for the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.
12. *Objectives and programme of the workshop:* The co-chairs of the workshop will provide an overview of the programme, including an outline of the way it will be run and structured.
13. *Overview of the process for the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework:* The Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework will provide the workshop with an overview of the process for the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.
14. *Summary of views submitted on the possible content and scope of the framework and the outcomes of the regional consultations:* The Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework will provide the workshop with a summary of views submitted on the possible content and scope of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and a summary of the outcomes of the regional consultations held during the period from January to May 2019. The Co-Chairs will provide the workshop with their perspectives on the consultations conducted and other contributions received.
15. A discussion document summarizing and analysing the initial views of Parties and observers is relevant to this item (CBD/POST2020/PREP/1/1). The reports of the regional consultations on the post-2020 global biodiversity framework will also be made available.

ITEM 4. CONSIDERATION OF THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK IN THE CONTEXT OF EXISTING GLOBAL ARCHITECTURE

16. Under this item, the workshop will consider the relationship of a post-2020 global biodiversity framework with the frameworks and priorities of other conventions and other relevant processes. Background documentation summarizing the character and status of the frameworks of other conventions (CBD/POST2020/WS/2019/6/INF/1) and other relevant information will be made available.
17. *Global architecture of multilateral agreements/frameworks relevant to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework:* A brief outline will be made of the global architecture of multilateral agreements/frameworks relevant to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, including the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and 2050 Vision, and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the Sustainable Development Goals and associated targets.
18. *Strategic plans/frameworks and priorities of the conventions and other relevant processes:* Consideration will be given to the strategic plans or frameworks and the priorities of the other conventions and relevant processes. This will include briefings from each of the conventions represented, delivered by the executive head or their representative. Such briefings will include the nature and status of each and where they are in their respective processes with regard to planning/implementation of the framework post-2020 (i.e. forward-looking). Briefings will also be invited from the representatives of relevant organizations on other relevant frameworks.
19. Discussion arising from the consideration of the strategies, frameworks and priorities of other conventions and processes could include, for example:
- (a) Implications of these for the content and scope of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and the contribution of other biodiversity-related conventions;
 - (b) The strategic planning cycles/processes of the conventions, and how they align;

(c) Relationships between strategies and potential alignment of the post-2020 framework and strategies of other conventions/processes.

20. It could also contribute to ideas on elements that could be included in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, based on the respective mandate of other conventions (that will be addressed under item 5), on how the conventions can contribute to the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, taking account of their own processes and that of the post-2020 framework (which will be addressed under item 6), and on a follow-up agenda to the present workshop.

ITEM 5. IDENTIFICATION OF ELEMENTS THAT COULD BE INCLUDED IN THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

21. Under this item, the workshop will aim to identify elements that could be included in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, based on the respective mandate, strategy and vision of each convention. This item will be addressed both in plenary and in small groups.

(a) *Convention focus groups: Potential scenarios for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework from the perspective and priorities of individual conventions*

22. Convention focus groups will be convened at an early stage of the workshop to provide an opportunity for the representatives of a particular convention (Parties and secretariats) to discuss priorities of the convention that could be reflected in a post-2020 global biodiversity framework. This could include thoughts on such things as structure, specific elements, and potential targets that would serve to engender “ownership” by that convention of the post-2020 framework and a role for that convention in its implementation.

23. Discussion within each convention could include, for example, whether their planning/-implementation frameworks that go beyond 2020 have specific targets or goals that could/should be reflected in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. It could also seek to identify areas for which the convention could take a responsibility, consistent with its own mandate (for example in terms of goals/targets) for the mutual benefit of the objectives of the conventions and the post-2020 global framework. Areas for collaboration and the potential for future cooperation for mutual benefit could also be addressed.

24. The convention groups could continue to reflect on this in the light of discussions held in subsequent discussion groups on thematic areas and cross-cutting issues, after which they would be invited to present their overall conclusions in the appropriate session of plenary.

25. Concurrent with the convention focus groups, it is expected that representatives of the Convention on Biological Diversity will discuss with representatives of entities related to other processes, including chemicals-related instruments, potentially organized in two or more small groups.

(b) *Thematic break-out groups*

26. Small groups of roughly 12 to 15 participants, comprising a mix of representatives of the different conventions and organizations present, will be formed to consider potential elements of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework under broad areas that could be addressed by the framework.

27. Eight areas are envisaged for attention:

(a) Station 1: Targets and objectives for keeping healthy terrestrial ecosystems and their vital contribution to people;

(b) Station 2: Measures addressing direct and indirect drivers of biodiversity loss – mainstreaming biodiversity into society;

(c) Station 3: Targets and objectives for keeping healthy marine ecosystems and their vital contribution to people;

(d) Station 4: Implementation framework: resource mobilization, capacity-building, technical and scientific cooperation, and communication;

(e) Station 5: Objectives and measures for reducing the rate of extinction of species and their vital contribution to people;

(f) Station 6: Addressing shared objectives: gender equality, women's empowerment and social inclusion; indigenous peoples and local communities; and human rights;

(g) Station 7: Objectives and measures for safeguarding genetic resources and their equitable use;

(h) Station 8: Accountability framework: monitoring, assessment, reporting and review.

28. A methodology will be provided that will enable each of the small groups to address each of the areas. Discussion in the groups would focus on the potential contribution of the various conventions in these areas based on the priorities established by their governing bodies. Participating organizations would focus on how they could contribute to these. Framing questions will be provided to help guide the discussions and the manner in which their conclusions are recorded.

29. Opportunity will also be provided for participants to identify other areas that require discussion, or issues that require discussion in more detail. This will inform subsequent discussion in the workshop. Conclusions will be reported in plenary.

(c) *Plenary*

30. Discussion arising from thematic break-out groups could include, for example:

(a) Identifying unique roles and responsibilities for each of the biodiversity-related conventions in the components of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework in line with their unique mandates (e.g. responsibility for potential targets/sub-targets and for actions towards these);

(b) Potential structures and components of a post-2020 global biodiversity framework (or things to take into account in determining these) from the point of view of other conventions and their tools and mechanisms for implementation (targets, indicators, implementation plans, means of implementation, means of monitoring and assessment, reporting, roles and responsibilities of actors);

(c) Observations concerning the relationship between the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and existing or envisaged convention strategies that go beyond 2020 and the potential for integration or alignment.

31. A concluding plenary discussion will be devoted to determining conclusions that could inform the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, including ideas on possible elements of the post-2020 framework.

ITEM 6. IDENTIFICATION OF WAYS IN WHICH OTHER CONVENTIONS CAN FURTHER CONTRIBUTE TO THE PREPARATION OF THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

32. Under this item, conducted in plenary and building on discussions held under earlier items, the workshop will aim to identify appropriate ways in which the other conventions can further contribute to the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, taking account of their own processes and that of the post-2020 framework.

33. This could include observations that could be conveyed through appropriate means to the relevant bodies of the respective conventions with respect the further inputs of the conventions to the continued development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. It could also consider views and ideas for an agenda for a follow-up workshop.

ITEM 7. OTHER MATTERS

34. Under this item, participants may address other matters related to the subject matter of the workshop.

ITEM 7. CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT

35. The co-chairs of the workshop will outline their intentions for the report on the workshop, including its key elements, and the manner in which the draft will be shared with participants.

ITEM 8. CLOSURE OF THE WORKSHOP

36. Following reflections from the Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework on the way forward and closing remarks, the workshop is expected to close at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 12 June 2019.

Annex I

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Time	Session
Day 1	
8 - 9 a.m.	Registration
9 - 9.20 a.m.	1. Opening of the Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Ambassador Franz Perrez, Switzerland - Ms. Cristiana Paşca Palmer, Executive Secretary, Convention on Biological Diversity - Representative member of the Liaison Group of Biodiversity-related Conventions - Mr. Hamdallah Zedan, Representative of the President of the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity
9.20 – 9.30 a.m.	2. Organizational matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1. Election of officers 2.2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
9.30 - 10.30 a.m.	3. Introduction to the workshop and to the process for the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.1 Objectives and programme of the workshop 3.2 Overview of the process for the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework 3.3 Summary of views submitted on the possible content and scope of the framework and the outcomes of the regional consultations
10.30 - 11 a.m.	Coffee break
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	4. Consideration of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework in the context of existing global architecture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4.1 Overview/introduction of the global architecture of multilateral agreements/frameworks relevant to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework 4.2 Strategies/strategic plans and frameworks and priorities of the conventions and other relevant processes
1 - 2 p.m.	Lunch
2 - 3.30 p.m.	4. Consideration of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework in the context of existing global architecture (<i>continued</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4.2. Strategies/strategic plans and frameworks and priorities of the conventions and other relevant processes (<i>continued</i>)
3.30 - 4 p.m.	Coffee break

Time	Session
4 – 4.15 p.m.	5. Identification of elements that could be included in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework Introduction to working methodology
4.15 – 5.15 p.m.	5. Identification of elements that could be included in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (continued) Convention focus groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Potential scenarios (structure, elements, targets etc.) for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework from the perspective and priorities of individual conventions
5.15 – 6 p.m.	Report back in plenary setting
Day 2	
9 - 9.30 a.m.	Reflection on Day 1 and introducing the work for Day 2
	5. Identification of elements that could be included in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (continued) Thematic break-out groups (stations): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Station 1: Targets and objectives for keeping healthy terrestrial ecosystems and their vital contribution to people - Station 2: Measures addressing direct and indirect drivers of biodiversity loss – mainstreaming biodiversity into society - Station 3: Targets and objectives for keeping healthy marine ecosystems and their vital contribution to people - Station 4: Implementation framework: resource mobilization, capacity-building, technical and scientific cooperation, and communication - Station 5: Objectives and measures for reducing the rate of extinction of species and their vital contribution to people - Station 6: Addressing shared objectives: gender equality, women’s empowerment and social inclusion; indigenous peoples and local communities; and human rights - Station 7: Objectives and measures for safeguarding genetic resources and their equitable use - Station 8: Accountability framework: monitoring, assessment, reporting and review
9.30 - 10.15 a.m.	Round 1
10.15 - 11 a.m.	Round 2
11 – 11.30 a.m.	Coffee break
11.30- 12.15 p.m.	Round 3

Time	Session
12.15 – 1 p.m.	Round 4
1 - 2 p.m.	Lunch break
2 - 2.45 p.m.	Round 5
2.45 - 3.30 p.m.	Round 6
3.30 - 4 p.m.	Coffee break
4 – 4.45 p.m.	Round 7
4.45 – 5.30 p.m.	Round 8
5.30 – 6 p.m.	Re-assembly in plenary for exercise to identify areas for further discussion
6.30 p.m.	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Reception hosted by Switzerland and the City of Bern Tuesday, 11 June 2019 – 6:30 p.m. Stadtgärtnerei – Grosse Orangerie in der Elfenau Invitation with map will be distributed dur the workshop</i></p>
Day 3	
9 - 9.15 a.m.	Reflection on Day 2 and introducing the work for Day 3
9.15 – 10.30 a.m.	<p>5. Identification of elements that could be included in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework <i>(continued)</i></p> <p>Conducted in plenary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentations on the thematic break-out groups and any further observations from convention focus groups
10.30 - 11 a.m.	Coffee break
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	<p>Item 4 (resumed) and 5 (continued)</p> <p>Discussions arising from responses provided at the end of Day 2 and arising from the earlier sessions of the workshop</p>
1 - 2 p.m.	Lunch break
2 – 3.30 p.m.	<p>6. Identification of ways in which other conventions can further contribute to the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework</p> <p>Plenary discussion on ways in which the other conventions can further contribute to the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework</p>
3.30 - 4 p.m.	Coffee break
4 - 5 p.m.	<p>Items 4, 5 and 6 <i>(continued)</i></p> <p>Plenary discussion devoted to conclusions that could inform the Open-ended Working Group, including possible elements of the post 2020 framework, and an agenda for a follow-up workshop</p>

Time	Session
	7. Other matters
5 – 5.30 p.m.	8. Consideration of the draft report Consideration of the draft report on the workshop
5.30 - 6 p.m.	9. Closing of the workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Reflections from the Co-Chairs of the Open-Ended Working Group on the way forward- Closing remarks

*Annex II***LIST OF DOCUMENTS**

CBD/POST2020/WS/2019/6/1

Provisional agenda

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Annotated provisional agenda

Information documents

CBD/POST2020/WS/2019/6/INF/1

Note on the strategic frameworks of the biodiversity-related conventions and the Rio conventions

CBD/POST2020/WS/2019/6/INF/2

Background information on resources relevant to the contribution of other multilateral environmental agreements to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework: an annotated outline

CBD/POST2020/WS/2019/6/INF/3

National Reporting to the Biodiversity-related Conventions and the Rio Conventions

CBD/COP/DEC/14/34

Comprehensive and participatory process for the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (decision 14/34 of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity)

CBD/POST2020/PREP/1/1

Post-2020 global biodiversity framework: discussion paper

CBD/POST2020/PREP/1/INF/1

Synthesis of views of Parties and observers on the scope and content of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework

CBD/POST2020/WS/2019/1/2

Report of the Regional Consultation Workshop on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework for Asia and the Pacific

Other documents

Information note for participants

Summary for policymakers of the global assessment report on biodiversity and ecosystem services (Intergovernmental Science Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, 2019)

The State of the World's Biodiversity for Food and Agriculture (FAO Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, 2019)*Global Wetland Outlook: State of the World's Wetlands and their Services to People* (Ramsar Convention on Wetlands, 2018)*Sixth Global Environment Outlook – GEO-6: Summary for Policymakers* (United Nations Environment Programme, 2019)*Note:* The reports of the other regional consultations will be made available when they are published.
