

**BRIEFING WEBINAR 2 ON AGENDA ITEM 9 ON ENHANCING REPORTING AND  
REVIEW MECHANISMS WITH A VIEW TO STRENGTHENING THE  
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION, OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE  
SUBSIDIARY BODY ON IMPLEMENTATION**

Thursday, 21 January 2021

**CONCEPT NOTE**

**A. Background**

1. Further to [notification 2021-004](#), under the guidance of the Chair of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI), Ms. Charlotta Sörqvist, and in cooperation with the Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, Mr. Francis Ogwal (Uganda) and Mr. Basile van Havre (Canada), the Secretariat is organizing a briefing webinar to update Parties and stakeholders on the documents prepared for the third meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI-3), related to agenda item 9 on enhancing reporting and review mechanisms with a view to strengthening the implementation of the Convention. This webinar relates, in part, to the online sessions held on 16 and 17 September 2020, pursuant to decision 14/29, in relation to the trial phase of the open-ended forum on review of implementation.
2. Further to decisions 14/27, 14/29 and 14/34, the webinar will update participants on the progress made in developing options for enhancing mechanisms on reporting, assessment and review, as well as related issues of national planning, with a view to complementing and strengthening implementation of the Convention, particularly in regard to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework expected to be adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth meeting. The webinar will also outline expectations for the work to be undertaken by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its third meeting related to agenda item 9, and the envisioned scenario for the third meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework in the lead-up to the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. Participants will also hear presentations on documentation prepared for agenda item 9 of the third meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation on options to enhance planning, reporting, and review mechanisms with a view to strengthening the implementation of the Convention, national reporting under the Convention and its Protocols, and on national commitments to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.
3. The webinar is intended to assist participants in their preparations for the third meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation. It is not a negotiation session and statements and views expressed during the webinar will not be considered part of the official work of the third meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation. There will be no formal report or any form of conclusions for the webinar. A provisional agenda for the webinar is contained in the annex to this note.
4. In preparing for the webinar, participants may wish to consult the following documents:
  - (a) Options to enhance planning, reporting, and review mechanisms with a view to strengthening the implementation of the Convention (CBD/SBI/3/11);
  - (b) National reporting under the Convention and its Protocols (CBD/SBI/3/11/Add.1)

**B. Arrangements**

5. The briefing webinar will be convened using the GoToWebinar® service and will be conducted in English. In order to accommodate different time zones, the webinar will be convened twice, with the same material presented each time. The webinar will be held on 21 January 2021 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. EST (UTC-5) (intended for time zones for the Americas, Europe, Africa, Central and Eastern Europe, West Asia), and from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. EST (UTC-5) (intended for time zones for Asia and the Pacific). Note that for some time zones, the local time will be on the day following the date indicated above. In order to participate in the webinar, participants will first need to register by going to <https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/5659180163226301967>. After registering, participants will receive a confirmation e-mail containing further information on how to join the webinar.

*Annex*

**PROPOSED AGENDA**

	<b>Agenda items</b>	<b>Leads</b>
5 min.	<b>1. Opening and logistics</b> (a) Welcome and review of meeting objectives and agenda; (b) Welcoming remarks by Executive Secretary.	CBD Secretariat SBI Chair
45 min.	<b>2. Overview of the proposal to enhance planning, reporting and review mechanisms</b> (a) Overview and explanation of the pre-session document for agenda item 9 (CBD/SBI//3/11); (b) Questions and answers.	CBD Secretariat
5 min.	Break	
60 min.	<b>3. SBI 3 agenda item 9: detailed overview</b> (a) Overview and explanation of the proposed national reporting template elements (CBD/SBI/3/11/Add.1); (b) Overview and explanation of the proposed elements necessary for national commitments; (c) Questions and answers.	CBD Secretariat
5 min.	<b>4. Closing</b>	SBI Chair

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