



**Convention on
Biological Diversity**

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**Conference of the Parties to the
Convention on Biological Diversity
Sixteenth meeting**
Cali, Colombia, 21 October–1 November 2024
Agenda item 5
**Date and venue of future meetings
of the Conference of the Parties**

**Decision adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on
Biological Diversity on 1 November 2024**

16/27. Date and venue of future meetings of the Conference of the Parties

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision [XIII/33](#) of 17 December 2016, in which the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity¹ set, in line with rule 21, paragraph 1, of the rules of procedure for its meetings,² the rotation of the office of the President among the five United Nations regional groups, starting from its seventeenth meeting,

Taking note with appreciation of the offers made by the Government of Armenia and the Government of Azerbaijan to host the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety³ and the sixth 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,⁴

1. *Decides* that the seventeenth meeting of Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and the sixth 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 will be held in Yerevan, Armenia, in the last quarter of 2026;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to consult with the Government of Armenia, with a view to negotiating a hosting arrangement in conformity with the applicable resolutions of the United Nations and in compliance with the guidelines for the preparation of host government agreements

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1760, No. 30619.

² Decision I/1, as amended in decision V/20.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2226, No. 30619.

⁴ *Ibid.*, vol. 3008, No. 30619.

falling under General Assembly resolution 40/243⁵ in order to conclude and sign a host country agreement at least six months before the date of the meeting of the Conference of the Parties;

3. *Invites* interested Parties from the Latin American and Caribbean States to notify the Executive Secretary in a timely manner of their offers to host the eighteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol.

⁵ ST/AI/342.