

SBI3: ITEM 7: CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT, TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Thank you Madam Chair

Ethiopia appreciates and acknowledges, the supports provided so far by the donating Parties, and other relevant organizations for capacity development and technical and scientific cooperation doings to assist, particularly developing country Parties, and IPLCs over years since the adoption of the convention on Biological diversity and its Protocols.

When the implementation status of the three objectives of the CBD is concerned, it doesnot seem to be satisfactory as envisaged. Thus, the implemetation in achieving these objectives remain limited. The decline in biological diversity continued assisted by various driving forces, *inter alia*, population pressure, poverty and climate changes in areas where mega biological diversity is situated. This depicts the importance of Capacity Development, Technical and Scientific Cooperation and Technology Transfer:

1. to halt the negative impacts faced on the globe
2. to effectively implement post 2020 Global Biodiversity Framework.
3. to enhance the effective implementation of ABS and Nagoya Protocol for financing for biodiversity,
4. to enhance the capacity building action plan for the implementation of Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

5. to align capacity development strategies, mechanisms, programs and action plans to biodiversity-related conventions and other multilateral environmental agreements and processes
6. to offer financial and technical support in order to enable developing country Parties, to design and implement capacity development programmes, including NBSAPs
7. to support academia and other relevant institutions to integrate biodiversity issues, particularly the post 2020 BDF into their educational curricula
8. to promote the development of appropriate biodiversity–related technologies and innovations ,with the involvement of IPLC solutions

Finally, Ethiopia supports the establishment of operative and acceptable global technical and scientific support centre for biodiversity and, as appropriate, of the regional support centre or organizations as well.

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