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REVISED ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

INTRODUCTION

1. Following the invitation of the Government of India, which was welcomed by the Conference of the Parties in its decision X/46, the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties will be held at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre in the City of Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India, from 8 to 19 October 2012.
2. At its meeting held in Montreal, on 5 November 2011, the Bureau approved the draft provisional agenda of the meeting (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1). The annotations to that agenda (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1Add.1) were prepared and circulated by the Executive Secretary in November 2011, taking into account comments received from Bureau members. The present revision to the annotations has been prepared to reflect the outcomes of the meetings held in 2012 as well as other inter-sessional work carried out in accordance with decisions of the Conference of the Parties and recommendations of Subsidiary Bodies.
3. The provisional agenda and these annotations have been prepared in line with the items identified for consideration by the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties as contained in the multi-year programme of work for the Conference of the Parties adopted in decision X/9.
4. In accordance with rule 6 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties, the Secretariat has notified the United Nations, its specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as any State not party to the Convention, of this meeting so that they may be represented as observers.
5. In accordance with rule 7 of the rules of procedure, the Secretariat has notified those bodies and agencies, whether governmental or non-governmental, qualified in fields relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, which have informed the Secretariat of their wish to be represented at the meeting, so that they may be represented as observers. A list of such bodies will be made available to the Conference of the Parties for information.
6. The eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties will include a high-level ministerial segment organized by the host country in consultation with the Secretariat and the Bureau. The high-level segment will take place from 17 to 19 October 2012 at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre. It is expected that the high-level segment will be opened by the Minister of the Environment of India and that other senior officials will also address the meeting. A Summit on Cities and Biodiversity,

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linked to a meeting of sub-national governments, will also be held in conjunction with the Conference of the Parties, on 15-16 October 2012.

7. In accordance with established practice, the Executive Secretary will prepare a compilation of the various draft decisions proposed by the inter-sessional meetings or developed by the Executive Secretary in light of earlier decisions and recommendations (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/Add.2).

8. The eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties will be preceded, on 7 October 2012, by regional preparatory meetings for Africa, Asia, and Latin America and the Caribbean.

9. Registration of participants will commence at the venue of the meeting at 9 a.m. on Thursday, 4 October 2012. More information on the logistical arrangements for the meeting is available in the document "Information for Participants" at <http://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/cop/cop-11/other/cop-11-info-note-en.pdf>.

ITEM 1. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

1.1. Opening of the meeting

10. The meeting will be opened at 10 a.m. on Monday, 8 October 2012, by the President of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties or his representative.

11. At the opening session, the Conference will hear addresses of welcome by representatives of the Government of India, the State of Andhra Pradesh and the local authorities of the host city.

12. The Executive Secretary will address the meeting and highlight the main issues before the Conference of the Parties.

1.2 Election of officers

Election of the President

13. It is expected that, at the opening session, the President of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties will call for the election of a representative of the host country as President of the eleventh meeting. The term of office of the President will begin immediately following his or her election at the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties and will end with the election of a successor at the twelfth meeting.

Election of officers other than the President

14. In accordance with rule 21 of the rules of procedure (as adopted by decision I/1 and amended by decision V/20), in addition to the President, ten Vice-Presidents, one of whom acts as Rapporteur, are to be elected from among the representatives of the Parties present at the meeting. The term of office of the Vice-Presidents will commence upon the closure of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties and end at the closure of the twelfth meeting. At its tenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties elected ten Vice-Presidents from the following countries for a term that will end at the closure of the eleventh meeting: Argentina, Belgium, Georgia, Grenada, Morocco, Namibia, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Serbia and Syrian Arab Republic. Regional groups are urged to submit their nominations at the opening of the meeting. This will allow the newly elected members of the Bureau to attend, as observers, the Bureau meetings to be held during the current meeting of the Conference in order to ensure a smooth transition between outgoing and incoming Bureau members.

Election of officers of subsidiary bodies and other meetings

15. Rule 26 of the rules of procedure, provides that the chairperson of any subsidiary body shall be elected by the Conference of the Parties, while the election of other officers is the responsibility of the body itself. At this meeting, the Conference of the Parties will therefore need to elect the chair of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) to officiate its meetings for a term of office that will extend until the end of the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. Previously elected chairs of SBSTTA have come from the following regional groups: first meeting – Africa; second meeting – Western European and Others; third and fourth meetings – Asia and the Pacific;

fifth and sixth meetings – Latin America and the Caribbean; seventh and eighth meetings - Central and Eastern European; ninth and tenth meetings – Africa; eleventh and twelfth meetings - Western European and Others; thirteenth meeting - Asia and the Pacific; fourteenth meeting – Latin America and the Caribbean; and fifteenth and sixteenth meetings - Central and Eastern Europe.

1.3. Adoption of the agenda

16. The provisional agenda (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1) has been approved by the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties. It was prepared by the Executive Secretary in accordance with rule 8 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties, with the guidance of the Bureau, and taking into account the multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties up to 2020 contained in decision X/9 and other relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties.

1.4. Organization of work

17. In accordance with established practice, the Conference of the Parties may wish to establish two working groups. A proposed timetable and division of responsibilities between the plenary and the two working groups is contained in annex II. Should two working groups be established, the Conference of the Parties will need to elect a Chairperson for each working group.

18. The plenary may also establish a contact group on budget to address agenda item 14 on the administration of the Convention and budget for the programme of work for the biennium 2012-2014.

19. Interpretation will be available for the working groups for morning and afternoon sessions only.

1.5 Report on the credentials of representatives to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties

20. Rule 18 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties states that:

“The credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary of the Conference of the Parties or the representative of the Executive Secretary not later than twenty four hours after the opening of the meeting. Any later change in the composition of the delegation shall also be submitted to the Executive Secretary or his representative. The credentials shall be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or, in the case of a regional economic integration organization, by the competent authority of that organization.”

21. Rule 19 provides that “the Bureau of any meeting shall examine the credentials and submit its report to the Conference of the Parties for decision”.

22. In order to assist Parties in fulfilling the requirements of rule 18, the Executive Secretary distributed to national focal points a sample format of appropriate credentials with the letter of invitation to the meeting (see notification 2011-164 of 7 September 2011) dispatched to all focal points as well as to the missions and embassies in New York, Nairobi and Geneva.

23. The Conference of the Parties will be invited to consider and adopt the report on credentials submitted to it by the Bureau.

1.6. Pending issues

24. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties adopted the rules of procedure for its meetings in decision I/1, with the exception of paragraph 1 of rule 40, relating to the taking of substantive decisions. The Conference of the Parties has considered this outstanding matter at its subsequent meetings but without resolving it conclusively. At the third meeting, consensus was reached concerning some, but not all, of the text in brackets.

25. In decision I/6, the Conference of the Parties adopted the financial rules for the administration of the Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity. Paragraphs 4 and 16 of these rules contain bracketed text. Paragraph 4 deals with scale of assessments for the apportionment of contributions by

Parties to the Trust Fund. Paragraph 16 deals with adopting decisions regarding the Trust Fund. The paragraphs have been considered at subsequent meetings of the Conference of the Parties, but without any agreement. The text therefore remains bracketed.

26. Since it is not expected that this matter can be resolved at the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties, it is suggested that its consideration be postponed to a future meeting.

1.7. Reports of inter-sessional and regional preparatory meetings

27. Under this item, the President will inform the Conference of the Parties of the meetings of subsidiary bodies held during the inter-sessional period and their reports on the understanding that the substantive issues arising therein will be taken up under the appropriate agenda item. These include the reports of the:

(a) First and second meetings of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Committee for the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from Their Utilization (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/5 and 6);

(b) Seventh meeting of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Inter-Sessional Working Group on the Implementation of Article 8(j) and Related Provisions (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/7);

(c) Fifteenth and sixteenth meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2 and 3);

(d) Fourth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on the Review of Implementation of the Convention (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4).

28. The regional groups may wish to report to the Conference of the Parties on the results of the preparatory meetings to be held immediately prior to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

ITEM 2. STATUS OF THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL ON ACCESS TO GENETIC RESOURCES AND THE FAIR AND EQUITABLE SHARING OF BENEFITS ARISING FROM THEIR UTILIZATION AND RELATED DEVELOPMENTS

29. According to the multi-year programme of work for the Conference of the Parties adopted in decision X/9, the Conference of the Parties will consider the status and implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from Their Utilization.

30. As the Protocol has not yet entered into force, the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties will have before it the reports of the first and second meetings of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Committee for the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization (ICNP) (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/5 and 6), as well as a progress report on the Protocol (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/11). In light of the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Committee, under this item, the Conference of the Parties will need to consider the way forward, including whether inter-sessional activities and a third meeting of the ICNP are warranted prior to the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol. Additional recommendations from the ICNP for consideration by the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties include capacity-building/capacity-development initiatives as well as awareness-raising activities to support ratification, early entry into force and implementation of the Nagoya Protocol; as well as the ABS Clearing-house Mechanism. Other recommendations relate to guidance to the financial mechanism (to be considered under item 4.3) and resource mobilization for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol (to be considered under agenda item 4.1). Finally, the Conference of the Parties is not expected to address other issues currently under consideration under ICNP.

31. In addition, in light of information made available to the Executive Secretary with respect to steps taken towards ratification and implementation of the Nagoya Protocol (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/23), Parties will be invited to share information and experience with regard to steps taken towards ratification and implementation of the Nagoya Protocol, as well as challenges with a view to overcoming obstacles and to finding constructive approaches to implementation.

32. Finally, as requested in recommendation 2/8, paragraph 5, an overview of the status of issues for consideration of the Intergovernmental Committee as set out in its work plan in annex II of decision X/1 is available as information document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/24.

ITEM 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN 2011-2020 AND PROGRESS TOWARDS THE AICHI BIODIVERSITY TARGETS

33. At its tenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties adopted the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, including the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, urged Parties to take actions to implement it (decision X/2, paragraph 3), and decided that future meetings of the Conference of the Parties shall review progress in the implementation of the Strategic Plan, share experiences relevant for implementation and provide guidance on means to address obstacles encountered (decision X/2, paragraph 14).

3.1. Review of progress in implementation including the establishment of national targets and the updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans

34. In paragraph 3 of its decision X/2, the Conference of the Parties urged Parties and other Governments to implement the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and in particular to:

- (a) Enable participation at all level;
- (b) Develop national and regional targets, with a view to contributing to collective global efforts to reach the global targets;
- (c) Review, and as appropriate update and revise, their national biodiversity strategies and action plans;
- (d) Use the revised and updated national biodiversity strategies and action plans as effective instruments for the integration of biodiversity targets into national development policies and strategies and planning processes.

35. In paragraph 17 (b) of the same decision, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to prepare an analysis/synthesis of national and regional actions, including targets established in accordance with the Strategic Plan, to enable the Working Group on the Review of Implementation and the Conference of the Parties to assess the contribution of national and regional targets towards the global targets.

36. The Working Group on the Review of Implementation at its fourth meeting took note of the progress which has been made in implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, and the urgent need for further progress. Recalling that the role of the Conference of the Parties is to keep the implementation of the Convention under review, the Working Group recommended that the Conference of the Parties consider an update of this review in light of the information available at its eleventh meeting and issue guidance as appropriate. Accordingly, the Working group invited Parties to report on their plans and progress for revising and/or updating their national biodiversity strategy and action plans, and national target setting, preferably by 30 June 2012, so that this information can be made available to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties and requested the Executive Secretary to compile relevant information and to make it available for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting. Accordingly, in considering this item, the Conference of the Parties will have before it an updated analysis/synthesis (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/12).

37. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties, in line with its multi-year programme of work (decision X/9, paragraph (a)) is expected to review progress by Parties in the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, its corresponding goals and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, including experience in setting or adapting national targets and the corresponding updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, taking into account recommendation IV/1 of the Working Group on the Review of Implementation (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4) as well as additional information provided in the above-mentioned updated analysis/synthesis (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/12).

3.2 *Review of progress in providing capacity-building support to Parties, promoting communication, education and public awareness and strengthening of the clearing-house mechanism and technology transfer and cooperation*

38. At its tenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties, in paragraph 6 of its decision X/2, emphasized the need for capacity-building activities and the effective sharing of knowledge, in order to support countries and indigenous and local communities in the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and decided, in its multi-year programme of work (decision X/9), to review progress in providing support to assist Parties in implementing the Convention and the Strategic Plan, including, *inter alia*, resource mobilization, capacity-building, stakeholder engagement, communication, education and public awareness and strengthening of the clearing-house mechanism.

39. Further, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to promote and facilitate, in partnership with relevant international organizations, activities to strengthen capacity for the implementation of the Strategic Plan and to develop, for consideration by the Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention at its fourth meeting, options for the further enhancement of implementation of the Convention, including through the further development of capacity-building programmes, partnerships and the strengthening of synergies among Conventions and other international processes (decision X/2, paragraphs 17 (a) and (c)). Accordingly, the Conference of the Parties will have before it under this item a note by the Executive Secretary prepared in response to that request (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/13).

Capacity-building support to Parties through regional and subregional workshops

40. In line with decision X/2, paragraph 17 (a), and other relevant decisions, the Executive Secretary convened a series of capacity-building workshops held with the generous financial support of the Government of Japan (“the Japan Biodiversity Fund”) and other partners.

Promoting communication, education and public awareness

41. In decision X/18, the Conference of the Parties invited Parties to increase activities to build capacity for Communication, Education and Public Awareness, with a focus on providing support to the United Nations Decade on Biodiversity, the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization, and priority activity 1 of the Agenda for Action, and to communicate these activities to the Executive Secretary. Parties and other relevant organizations and stakeholders were also requested to use indicators and guidelines for survey methodologies as well as other tools in order to organise and participate in national, regional and subregional assessments of the state of public awareness on biodiversity and to report these to the Conference of the Parties.

Technical and scientific cooperation and the clearing-house mechanism

42. In decision X/15, the Conference of the Parties adopted the mission, goals and objectives of the clearing-house mechanism for the period 2011-2020, and requested the Executive Secretary to prepare, in consultation with the informal advisory committee and interested Parties, a realistic work programme for the clearing-house mechanism, in line with the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020. This work programme (UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/3/Add.1) was submitted to the fourth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention and is available for consideration

by the Conference of the Parties (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/31). In addition, the Executive Secretary has prepared a progress report on the clearing-house mechanism (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/13/Add.2).

43. The Conference of the Parties also requested that the Executive Secretary explore, in collaboration with Parties, other Governments, relevant partners and members of the Conservation Commons, ways to promote free and open access to data and information for conservation purposes, and report back on progress at its eleventh meeting. The recommendations arising from this process are contained in an information document (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/8) prepared by the Conservation Commons. Furthermore, in accordance with paragraph 1 of decision IX/30, the mandate of the informal advisory committee of the clearing-house mechanism will be reviewed at this meeting.

Technology transfer and cooperation

44. In paragraph 3 of decision X/16, on technology transfer and cooperation, the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting invited Parties to consider including the preparation of technology needs assessments in the revision and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, and to submit their technology needs assessments to the Executive Secretary and requested the Executive Secretary to disseminate them through the clearing-house mechanism, and to prepare a compilation and analysis as well as a gap analysis of on activities currently being undertaken by international, regional or national organizations and initiatives, including sectoral organizations and initiatives, that support, facilitate, or promote technology transfer and scientific and technological cooperation of relevance to the Convention.

45. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties will have before it a note by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/13/Add.1) containing a progress report on these issues, including a summary of main gaps identified and recommendations on how to address these gaps and to promote synergies among existing activities. The full gap analysis and the compilation of information received will be made available as an information document (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/5).

46. At its fourth meeting, the Working Group on the Review of Implementation of the Convention, considered a report, prepared by the Executive Secretary, on *Review of Progress in Providing Support to Parties in the Context of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets* (UNEP/CBD/WGRI/4/3) and prepared recommendation 4/1.

47. The Conference of the Parties is expected to review progress in providing support to assist Parties in implementing the Convention and the Strategic Plan, including through capacity-building, communication, education and public awareness, technical and scientific cooperation and the clearing house mechanism, and technology transfer and cooperation, and to provide further guidance on strengthening that support, on the basis of the relevant recommendation of the Working Group on the Review of Implementation (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4), taking into account also additional information and suggested elements of draft decisions provided in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/13 and its addenda.

3.3 Further development of tools and guidance for monitoring implementation, including the use of indicators

48. In paragraph 3 (e) of its decision X/2, the Conference of the Parties urged Parties and other Governments to monitor and review the implementation of their national biodiversity strategies and action plans and their national targets in accordance with the Strategic Plan and making use of the indicative list of indicators developed for the Strategic Plan as a flexible framework. In decision X/7, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to convene an Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group (AHTEG) on Indicators for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and provided the terms of reference for the Group.

49. Additional guidance for the development of indicators for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 is contained in the decisions adopted at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the Strategy for Resource Mobilization (X/3), national reporting (X/10), the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation 2011-2020 (X/17), communication, education and public awareness (X/18), gender mainstreaming (X/19), business engagement (X/21), the Plan of Action on Subnational Governments,

Cities and Other Local Authorities for Biodiversity (X/22), inland waters biodiversity (X/28), marine and coastal biodiversity (X/29), mountain biological diversity (X/30), protected areas (X/31), sustainable use (X/32), biodiversity and climate change (X/33), and agricultural biodiversity (X/34).

50. The Conference of the Parties also decided that the fourth edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook shall be prepared to provide a mid-term review of progress towards the Aichi Biodiversity Targets (decision X/2, paragraph 13) and requested the Executive Secretary to prepare a plan for its preparation on the basis of fifth national reports, the use of indicators, and relevant information for consideration by SBSTTA.

51. In accordance with these decisions, the Executive Secretary *inter alia*:

(a) Convened a meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group (AHTEG) on Indicators for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 which was considered by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its fifteenth meeting;

(b) Prepared a resource manual for the fifth national report;

(c) Prepared a plan for the preparation of the fourth edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook.

52. At its fifteenth meeting, SBSTTA welcomed the work of the AHTEG and took note of an indicative list of indicators organized according to the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, recommended further action for the Conference of the Parties and requested the Executive Secretary to initiate work on a number of tasks (SBSTTA recommendation XV/1).

53. At its sixteenth meeting, SBSTTA took note of the plan for the preparation of the fourth edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook, requested the Executive Secretary to initiate preparations on the basis of this plan, and to provide a progress report to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties (SBSTTA recommendation XVI/2).

54. Under this agenda sub-item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider:

(a) SBSTTA recommendation XV/1: indicators framework for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2);

(b) Recommendation 7/7 of the Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions: development of indicators relevant for traditional knowledge and customary sustainable use;

(c) SBSTTA recommendation XVI/2: Considerations for the preparation of the fourth edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3) and the progress report;

(d) A progress report on monitoring implementation prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/27).

55. Indicators related to the Strategy for Resource Mobilization and the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation are further considered under items 4.1 and 13.7, respectively.

ITEM 4. FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND FINANCIAL MECHANISM

4.1. Review of implementation of the Strategy for Resource Mobilization, including the establishment of targets

(a) Review of goals 2, 5, 7, 6 and 8

56. At its ninth meeting, the Conference of the Parties adopted a Strategy for Resource Mobilization to assist Parties in enhancing international financial flows and domestic funding for biological diversity (decision IX/11).

57. At its tenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties requested the fourth meeting of Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on the Review of Implementation of the Convention to prepare for this review (decision X/3 B, paragraph 3).

58. In accordance with the Strategy, the Conference of the Parties is invited to focus on the following goals of the Strategy for Resource Mobilization:

Goal 2: Strengthen national capacity for resource utilization and mobilize domestic financial resources for the Convention's three objectives

Goal 5: Mainstream biological diversity and its associated ecosystem services in development cooperation plans and priorities including the linkage between Convention's work programmes and Millennium Development Goals

Goal 6: Build capacity for resource mobilization and utilization and promote South-South cooperation as a complement to necessary North-South cooperation

Goal 7: Enhancing implementation of access and benefit-sharing initiatives and mechanisms in support of resource mobilization

Goal 8: Enhance the global engagement for resource mobilization in support of the achievement of the Convention's three objectives

59. In recommendation 4/2, the Working Group took note of the submissions on the review of implementation of goals 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of the Strategy for Resource Mobilization and the examples of positive trends in taking action to mobilize new and additional resources, and requested the Executive Secretary to complete the review of implementation of these Goals, based on input provided by Parties and other relevant stakeholders at the fourth meeting of the Working Group , as well as additional relevant sources of data .

(b) Reporting framework

60. By decision X/3, the Conference of the Parties also decided to adopt targets at its eleventh meeting, provided that robust baselines have been identified and endorsed and that an effective reporting framework has been adopted (paragraph 8 (i)). This would allow progress towards Aichi Biodiversity Target 20.¹ Paragraph 7 of decision X/3 also provides a set of indicators for monitoring the implementation of the strategy for resource mobilization and sets out the steps in a process to be carried out prior to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties, making use of these indicators (paragraph 8). In line with this, the Executive Secretary has prepared methodological guidance on the indicators and a preliminary reporting framework for use by Parties, which have been invited to submit relevant information. In addition, informal workshops and consultative processes have been held to promote awareness, capacity and mutual understanding among Parties and stakeholders on the challenges of scaling up finance for biodiversity and on the development of country-specific resource mobilization strategies as part of the process of updating national biodiversity strategies and action plans.

61. In its recommendation 4/2, the Working Group on the Review of Implementation requested the Executive Secretary to elaborate the further development of the preliminary reporting framework and invited Parties to use the preliminary reporting framework (UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/6/Add.1) as a flexible and tentative framework to monitor resources mobilized for biodiversity at national and global level, adapting it to national needs and circumstances, as appropriate, to build on this flexible framework as part of national monitoring, including the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, and provide the information to the Executive Secretary by the end of June 2012. The Executive Secretary was also requested to compile and consolidate data provided by Parties through the preliminary reporting framework and present this for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties. This compilation is available as an information document (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/6).

¹ "By 2020, at the latest, the mobilization of financial resources for effectively implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 from all sources, and in accordance with the consolidated and agreed process in the Strategy for Resource Mobilization, should increase substantially from the current levels. This target will be subject to changes contingent to resource needs assessments to be developed and reported by Parties."

(c) High-level panel

62. In recommendation 4/2, the Working Group on the Review of Implementation welcomed the establishment of a high-level panel on global assessment of resources for implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020. The key messages from the Panel will be presented in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/14/Add.2, and the full report will be available as an information note. The Working Group requested the Executive Secretary to collaborate, as appropriate, with expert teams, such as the High-Level Panel on Global Assessment of Resources, to develop proposals outlining how the funding gap for each Aichi Biodiversity Target can be bridged using the most appropriate funding sources while also considering synergies.

(d) Innovative financing mechanisms, guiding principles and safeguards

63. In recommendation 4/2, the Working Group also requested the Executive Secretary to prepare a synthesis report, taking into account the submissions in response to paragraph 8 (c) of decision X/3, as well as other sources of information as appropriate, such as the informal seminar dialogue on Scaling-up Biodiversity Finance held in Quito from 6 to 9 March 2012 and the workshop on financing mechanisms for biodiversity held in Montreal on 12 May 2012, for the consideration of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The synthesis report is available in a note by the Executive Secretary prepared under this item (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/14/Add.3).

64. In the same recommendation, the Executive Secretary was requested to organize regional and expert workshops, as appropriate, and to assist Parties in exploring relevant financing mechanisms, including guiding principles and safeguards, and in gathering information and sharing national experiences on using the flexible reporting framework. In this context, an information document "Background note: Safeguards for scaling-up biodiversity finance: potential guiding principles" prepared by The Resilience and Development Programme (SwedBio) at the Stockholm University (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/7).

65. In response to the aforementioned requests, the Executive Secretary has prepared a note (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/14) as well as three addenda: Reporting Framework (UNEP/CBD/COP11/14/Add.1); Key messages from the High-level Panel on Global Assessment of Resources for implementing the Strategic Plan (UNEP/CBD/COP11/14/Add.2) and Synthesis report based on submissions and information related to decision X/3 paragraph 8 (c) (UNEP/CBD/COP11/14/Add.3).

66. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider recommendation 4/2 of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on the Review of Implementation of the Convention (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4), taking into account also the updated information provided in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/14 and its addenda.

4.2 Report of the Global Environment Facility

67. Pursuant to Article 21 of the Convention on Biological Diversity and paragraph 3.1 of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Conference of the Parties and the Council of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the Conference of the Parties will have before it the report of GEF (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/8).

68. The representatives of the GEF Secretariat are expected to provide updates to the report of GEF, in accordance with the annex of decision X/24, section D.

69. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to take note of the report, and provide additional guidance, as appropriate, on further reporting from GEF. The Conference of the Parties may also take into account the report of GEF under other substantive agenda items, such as item 4.3.

4.3 Guidance to the financial mechanism: four-year framework of programme priorities and review of the effectiveness of the financial mechanism

70. In decision X/27, the Conference of the Parties adopted the terms of reference for the fourth review of the effectiveness of the financial mechanism and requested the Executive Secretary to ensure the implementation of the review according to the terms of reference, which stipulated that the Executive Secretary shall contract an experienced independent evaluator to undertake the review. In this regard, the Executive Secretary issued two letters requesting voluntary contribution for the fourth review of the effectiveness of the financial mechanism, on 16 November 2010 and 12 August 2011. However, no pledges were received to contract an evaluator to undertake the review.

71. The Working Group on the Review of Implementation requested the Executive Secretary to examine the possibility of reallocating funds within existing resources to complete this review before the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties and encouraged donors to make urgent pledges to finance the implementation of decision X/27 in time for the report to be presented to the Conference of Parties. Information on the review is provided under document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/15.

72. In its decision X/24, the Conference of the Parties decided that its guidance to the financial mechanism, for a specific replenishment period, consists of a consolidated list of programme priorities that defines what is to be financed, and an outcome oriented framework, taking into account the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, including its Aichi Biodiversity Targets and associated indicators (paragraph 4), and decided to adopt a four year framework for the period 2014-2018 at its eleventh meeting (paragraph 7).

73. For this purpose, the Conference of the Parties invited Parties and relevant stakeholders, including indigenous and local communities, to submit information and views on the further development of programme priorities, taking into account the Strategic Plan, for compilation by the Executive Secretary and consideration by the Working Group on Review of Implementation (paragraph 5). Further, the Conference of the Parties requested the Working Group on Review of Implementation to review the implementation of the four-year outcome-oriented framework of programme priorities as related to utilization of GEF resources for biodiversity for the period from 2010 to 2014.

74. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties, on the basis of relevant recommendations of the Working Group on Review of Implementation, as well as additional information provided in UNEP/CBD/COP/11/15, is invited to consider:

(a) A four-year outcome-oriented framework of programme priorities, taking into account the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, including its Aichi Biodiversity Targets and associated indicators, as well as the outcome of the review, for consideration during the sixth replenishment of the Global Environment Facility Trust Fund, as related to utilization of GEF resources for biodiversity for the period July 2014 to June 2018;

(b) Further actions, as necessary, to improve the effectiveness of the financial mechanism of the Convention.

4.4 Needs assessment for the sixth GEF replenishment cycle

75. In decision X/26, the Conference of the Parties adopted the terms of reference for a full assessment of the amount of funds that are necessary to assist developing countries and countries with economies in transition, in accordance with the guidance provided by the Conference of the Parties, in fulfilling their commitments under the Convention for the sixth replenishment period of the Global Environment Facility Trust Fund. In accordance with the terms of reference, the assessment was prepared by a team of five experts and with the support of the Executive Secretary, for consideration by the fourth meeting of the Working Group on Review of Implementation.

76. In its recommendation 4/3, the Working Group requested the Expert Team to further develop the report, taking into account the views expressed by Parties and observers and work conducted by the high-

level panel on financing for biodiversity, co-sponsored by India and the United Kingdom. The Global Environment Facility and the Executive Secretary also provided their review of the draft assessment report of the expert team to ensure accuracy and consistency of approach and data, and assessment of availability of funding through all sources.

77. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties, on the basis of relevant recommendations of the Working Group on Review of Implementation (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4), as well as additional information provided in the note by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/15), is invited to consider and finalize the assessment of the amount of funds that are necessary to assist developing countries and countries with economies in transition in fulfilling their commitments under the Convention over the sixth GEF replenishment cycle, and to transmit the assessment to the Global Environment Facility.

ITEM 5. COOPERATION, OUTREACH AND THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE ON BIODIVERSITY

5.1 United Nations Decade on Biodiversity

78. Following the invitation of the Conference of Parties in its decision X/8, the United Nations General Assembly at its sixty-fifth session declared, in its resolution 65/161, that the period 2011-2020 would be the United Nations Decade on Biodiversity. The Decade draws upon and is inspired by the successes of the International Year of Biodiversity, and is meant to support the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, as well as to build greater public awareness of the importance of biodiversity for human well-being.

79. The Executive Secretary undertook a number of actions designed to support activities, celebrations and projects that would be carried out by Parties, international organizations and other stakeholders. This included the creation of a draft strategy for the decade, a logotype and branding, a website and social media programme, and an interagency task force to support the decade. A number of activities were also integrated with other work related to the Strategic Plan. A review of these activities, and a proposed programme of work for the biennium 2012-2014, is contained in a note by the Executive Secretary submitted to the Working group on Review of Implementation (UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/3/Add.2).

80. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties, on the basis of recommendation 4/1 of the fourth meeting of the Working Group on review of Implementation (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4), as well as its review of the note prepared by the Executive Secretary on the activities undertaken during IYB (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/16), is invited to consider the draft decision contained therein, including the suggested programme of work for the Decade in the upcoming biennium.

5.2 Cooperation with international organizations, other conventions, and initiatives

81. In its decision X/20, the Conference of the Parties proposed joint activities among the "Rio Conventions" (The UNFCCC, the UNCCD and the CBD) called for strengthened cooperation among the biodiversity-related conventions, and its scientific bodies and national focal points including CITES, CMS and the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands. Specifically, the Conference of the Parties requested the Working Group on the Review of Implementation to increase the involvement of Parties in the work of the Liaison Group of the Biodiversity-related Conventions and the Joint Liaison Group of the Rio Conventions, determine the form and content of a process to enhance coordination, coherence and national level synergies among the biodiversity conventions.

82. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties called for continued and enhanced cooperation with the UNFF, with UNESCO on the joint programme of work on biological and cultural diversity, with WHO and other relevant organizations and initiatives, with a view to promoting the consideration of biodiversity issues in health programmes and plans, with the World Trade Organization (including to renew the Convention's pending applications for observer status in relevant WTO bodies), with UNCTAD on the Biotrade Initiative and other trade related matters, as well as with CITES in this respect and with

the World Tourism Organization on a review of the application of the CBD Guidelines on Biodiversity and Tourism Development.

83. In addition, in response to an invitation of the Conference of the Parties (decision X/13, paragraph 3), the Arctic Council provided a report to SBSTTA on relevant information and assessments of Arctic biodiversity, in particular information generated through the Circumpolar Biodiversity Monitoring Program (CBMP) of the Arctic Council's Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna Working Group. SBSTTA considered the report and prepared recommendation XV/7.

84. Further, in its decision X/2, paragraph 16(d), the Conference of the Parties invited the Environment Management Group, in building on its report to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, to identify measures for effective and efficient implementation of the Strategic Plan across the United Nations system and provide a report on its work to the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting, through the Working Group on Review of Implementation and the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice.

85. The note by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/17) provides an update on the activities of the Liaison Group on Biodiversity-Related Conventions, and Joint Liaison Group of the Rio Conventions, and on the implementation of memoranda of cooperation and joint programmes of work with partner organizations.

86. In order to progress decision X/20, paragraph 16 on the joint programmes of work on biological and cultural diversity, the Executive Secretary convened an informal liaison group on biological and cultural diversity made up of experts and funders, which met at the offices of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in New York, on 28 and 29 April 2011, in order to consider next possible steps forward. The Parties may wish to note the report of the meeting which is made available as UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/11 for the consideration of the Parties.

87. Under this agenda sub-item, the Conference of Parties is invited to consider:

- (a) WGRI recommendation 4/6 on Cooperation with other conventions: the biodiversity-related conventions and the Rio conventions (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4);
- (b) SBSTTA recommendation XV/7, on Arctic biodiversity (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2);
- (c) SBSTTA recommendation XVI/15 on collaborative work on biodiversity and agriculture, forests, and biodiversity and health (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3);
- (d) Noting the Report of the First Meeting of the Informal Liaison Group on Biological and Cultural diversity (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/11) and encouraging further work in order to progress understanding on this issue.
- (e) The Executive Secretary's note on options to enhance coordination (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/17).

5.3 Business and biodiversity

88. In its decision X/21, the Conference of the Parties encouraged businesses and the private sector to contribute to the implementation of the Convention as well as the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and its Aichi Biodiversity Targets (paragraph 2) and invited Parties to promote and facilitate this (paragraph 1). The Conference of Parties requested the Executive Secretary to:

- (a) Encourage the establishment of the national and regional business and biodiversity initiatives;
- (b) Compile and analyse information on existing tools that can further facilitate the engagement of businesses in integrating biodiversity concerns into corporate strategies and decision-making;
- (c) Encourage the development and application of tools and mechanisms that can further facilitate this engagement;

- (d) Encourage monitoring of the effects of the tools and mechanisms;
- (e) Disseminate tools and examples of best practice for encouraging the participation of business; and
- (f) Encourage businesses in communicating their biodiversity-relevant activities.

89. A progress report on all of these issues and on the Global Platform for Business and Biodiversity will be provided for consideration by the Working Group on the Review of Implementation.

90. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties may wish to consider recommendation 4/7 of the Working Group on the Review of Implementation on engagement of business (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4).

5.4. Engagement of other stakeholders, major groups and subnational initiatives

Subnational governments, cities and other local authorities

91. In decision X/22, the Conference of the Parties endorsed the Plan of Action on Subnational Governments, Cities and Other Local Authorities for Biodiversity and encouraged Parties and other Governments to implement it, as appropriate, in the context of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, taking into account national priorities, capacities and needs. Paragraph 7 further requested the Executive Secretary to report on the implementation of the Plan of Action. Several Parties have implemented aspects of the Plan, also through the work of the Global Partnership on Sub-national and Local Action for Biodiversity, a collaborative platform to support local implementation of the Convention in coherence with national policies. Recommendations from the meetings of the Global Partnership in Montpellier,² on the role of regional networks in Bonn,³ on the functions of the Partnership in Singapore,⁴ on the application of, and improvements on, the City Biodiversity Index as a contribution to the CBD Indicator Framework in Nagoya,⁵ on a review of the CBD Advisory Committee of Cities, and Curitiba 6 on the design of CBD Advisory Committee of Sub-national Governments, have also been included in the relevant sections of the note by the Executive Secretary prepared under this item for the consideration of Parties (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/18).

92. In accordance with paragraph 6 of decision X/22, the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with Stockholm University's Resilience Center and the Global Partnership, prepared an assessment of the links and opportunities between urbanization and biodiversity ("Cities and Biodiversity Outlook") based on the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook, to be launched at the third local and sub-national authorities' biodiversity summit ("Cities for Life"), to be organized with ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability and the Network of Regional Governments for Sustainable Development (nrg4SD) at the margins of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties, on 15-16 October 2012.

93. The Conference of the Parties may wish to take note of the outcomes of the Hyderabad "Cities for Life" Summit and elements from the Cities and Biodiversity Outlook, at <http://www.cbd.int/authorities/cbo1.shtml>.

Multi-Year Plan of Action on South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity for Development

94. By decision X/23, the Conference of the Parties welcomed the Multi-Year Plan of Action for South-South Cooperation (SSC) on Biodiversity for Development, as adopted by the Group of 77 and China at the South-South Cooperation Forum, held on 17 October 2010, as an important contribution to the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, and requested the Working Group on Review of Implementation, to examine and further develop the Plan for consideration by the Conference of the Parties, taking into account synergies with, among others, a Biodiversity Technology

² Montpellier, January 2011, see <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=IPA-SNGCOLA-01>

³ Bonn, October 2011, see <http://www.cbd.int/doc/press/2011/pr-2011-09-15-global-partnership-en.pdf>

⁴ Singapore, October 2011, see <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=EWDCBI-03>

⁵ Nagoya, March 2012, see <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=IPA-SNGCOLA-03>

⁶ Curitiba, April 2012, see <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=SNG-01>

Initiative and a Framework for Capacity-building for the Integration of Biodiversity into Poverty Eradication and Development.

95. The Plan was revised accordingly at the Third Expert Meeting for South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity for Development held in Incheon City, Republic of Korea (the report is available as UNEP/CBD/EM-SSC/3/3) and, following guidance of the Expert Meeting, the Executive Secretary has prepared a revised version of the Plan for consideration of the Working Group on Review of Implementation (available as UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/10).

96. The Conference of the Parties is expected to consider the relevant recommendations of the Working Group on Review of Implementation (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4).

Gender Mainstreaming

97. By decision X/19, paragraph 2, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to enhance efforts to mainstream gender considerations in all aspects of the work under the Convention and to formulate clear indicators to monitor progress.

98. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to take note of progress made in implementing the Gender Plan of Action and on developing indicators to monitor gender mainstreaming and to consider the recommendations submitted by the Executive Secretary on gender mainstreaming (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/32).

ITEM 6. OPERATIONS OF THE CONVENTION

6.1 *Periodicity of meetings*

99. The Conference of the Parties decided at its seventh meeting to reconsider the periodicity of its meetings and has considered the issue at its eighth, ninth and tenth meetings, as well as at the third and fourth meetings of the Working Group on Review of Implementation, but has not reached a conclusion.

100. In decision X/9 the Conference of the Parties adopted its multi-year programme of work for the period 2011-2020. It decided that its twelfth meeting would take place in 2014 or early 2015 and that it will decide the timing of its meetings until 2020 at its eleventh meeting. In so doing, the Conference of the Parties would take into account a number of criteria set out in that decision:

(a) The Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the multi-year programme of work for the period 2011-2020, and other relevant meetings and processes;

(b) The relationship between the periodicity of the meetings of the Conference of the Parties, and the operations of its subsidiary and other inter-sessional bodies, including the ad hoc open ended working groups;

(c) That the periodicity of its meetings also has implications for the meetings of the Convention's protocols and their decision making processes;

(d) That financial considerations, while relevant, should not be the predominant factor driving decisions related to the multi-year programme of work and periodicity of meetings of the Conference of the Parties and its subsidiary bodies; and

(e) The periodicity of national reports.

101. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to decide the periodicity of its meetings beyond its twelfth meeting and until 2020 based on the above-listed considerations and in the light of an analysis of options according to these criteria originally prepared in UNEP/CBD/COP/10/10, supplementing an earlier analysis (UNEP/CBD/COP/10/10/Add.1).

6.2 Consideration of the need to strengthen the existing mechanisms of the Convention and the need for and possible development of additional mechanisms

102. In decision X/2, paragraph 15, the Conference of the Parties decided to consider, at its eleventh meeting, the need for and possible development of additional mechanisms or enhancements to existing mechanisms, such as the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention, to enable Parties to meet their commitments under the Convention and the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020. This task is also reflected in the multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties (decision X/9, para. (a) (vi)). The Executive Secretary invited Parties, other governments, international organizations, indigenous and local communities and relevant stakeholders (see notification 2012-046 of 26 March 2012) to contribute their views on the matter. The individual views submitted have been compiled in information document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/3 and synthesized in a note by the Executive Secretary submitted under this item (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/19) for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties.

103. The multi-year programme of work also provides for the Conference of the Parties, at its eleventh meeting, to consider the implications of the possible establishment of an intergovernmental science-policy platform on biodiversity and ecosystem services on the work of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (decision X/9, para. (a) (vii)). In addition, in decision X/11, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the SBSTTA Bureau to consider, once the arrangements and modalities for the intergovernmental platform are decided, how the Convention could make full and effective use of the platform, seeking complementarity and avoiding duplication between the work of the Convention, in particular the SBSTTA, and the proposed platform, and to report thereon to a meeting of the SBSTTA before the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

104. At its fifteenth meeting, SBSTTA considered ways and means to improve its effectiveness and adopted recommendation XV/8 on the subject as contained in the annex to the report of that meeting (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2). At its sixteenth meeting, SBSTTA adopted recommendation XVI/1 on ways and means to improve the effectiveness of the subsidiary body and options for collaboration with the intergovernmental science policy platform on biodiversity and ecosystem services (IPBES). In that recommendation, SBSTTA further requested the Executive Secretary to invite Parties and other stakeholders to submit views on the process for conveying requests to IPBES and to prepare on that basis proposals for the consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting.

105. SBSTTA, at its sixteenth meeting, also considered new and emerging issues in line with decision X/32 and prepared recommendation XVI/12.

106. Accordingly, under this item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider the views expressed in relation to the need for and possible development of additional mechanisms or enhancements to existing mechanisms, to enable Parties to meet their commitments under the Convention and the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 as contained in the above-mentioned note by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/19).

107. The Conference of the Parties is also invited to consider SBSTTA recommendations XV/8 and XVI/1 and those of the Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention at its fourth meeting, as reflected in the compilation of draft decisions (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/Add.2), as well as the note by the Executive Secretary on options for collaboration with IPBES (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/19/Add.1).

108. Further, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider SBSTTA recommendation XVI/12 on new and emerging issues.

6.3 Retirement of decisions

109. In decision X/14, the Conference of the Parties decided to maintain the interval for review regarding the retirement of decisions at eight years following the adoption of a decision. It also requested the Executive Secretary to make proposals to the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting regarding the retirement of decisions and elements of decisions taken at its seventh meeting, and to communicate such proposals to Parties, Governments and relevant international organizations at least six months prior to its eleventh meeting.

110. Under this agenda sub-item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to review and adopt the proposals regarding the retirement of decisions and elements of decisions taken at its seventh meeting contained in the note by the Executive Secretary on the subject (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/20). Supporting rationales for the proposals are provided in an information document.

ITEM 7. ARTICLE 8(j) AND RELATED PROVISIONS

111. In accordance with decision X/43, paragraph 4, the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions held its seventh meeting, in Montreal from 31 October to 4 November 2011. The Working Group considered the new major component of the work programme on Article 10 with a focus on Article 10(c) based on recommendations of a group of experts held pursuant to decision X/43 paragraph 10, reviewed mechanisms to promote the effective participation of indigenous and local communities in the work of the Convention, including capacity-building efforts, the development of communications, mechanisms and tools, and the operations of the voluntary fund for the participation of indigenous and local communities in the Convention processes and other initiatives. In particular, the Working Group made recommendations on how local communities can be more effectively engaged in the work of the Convention based on the recommendations of a group of experts convened in accordance with decision X/43, paragraph 21; considered *sui generis* systems for the protection of traditional knowledge; progressed work concerning the operationalization of adopted indicators for traditional knowledge as well as an indicator process for customary sustainable use of biodiversity (Article 10(c)); and progressed tasks 7, 10, 12 and 15 of the revised programme of work. The Working Group also considered recommendations from the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

112. Regarding the new major component of the work programme on Article 10 with a focus on Article 10(c), the Working Group also requested the Executive Secretary to compile submissions from Parties, Governments, international organizations and indigenous and local communities on the customary use of biodiversity, and to provide this compilation to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties. To this end, the Secretariat has compiled submissions received, and included them in the revised Compilation of Views on Article 10 with Focus on Article 10(c) (UNEP/CBD/WG8J/7/INF/5/Rev.1), as well as the report of the meeting on Article 10 with a focus on Article 10(C), as a major component of the programme of work on Article 8(j) and related provisions of the Convention (UNEP/CBD/WG8J/7/5/Add.1), in order to assist the discussions on this item.

113. Furthermore, Parties are requested to recall the existing guidance on sustainable use already developed within the Convention on Biological Diversity, in particular the Addis Ababa Principles and Guidelines, the ecosystem approach as well as relevant elements of the thematic programmes of work, selected targets of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation, and the recommendations from the Liaison Group on Bushmeat, to ensure coordination and harmonization of these related issues.

114. In order to assist the discussions concerning the recommendations from the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, and in response to a request from the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity, the Secretariat has revised recommendations arising from the Ninth and Tenth Sessions of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues to the Convention on Biological Diversity (UNEP/CBD/WG8J/7/7/Rev.1), to include an additional two recommendations, and this document is also made available for the consideration of the Parties, under other documents.

115. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Inter-Sessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions as annexed to the report of its seventh meeting (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/7), with the exception of recommendation 7/7, on development of indicators relevant for traditional knowledge and customary sustainable use, which is to be taken up under agenda item 3.3.

ITEM 8. REVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME OF WORK ON ISLAND BIODIVERSITY

116. In its decision IX/21, on island biodiversity, the Conference of the Parties requested SBSTTA to undertake an in-depth review of the programme of work on island biodiversity for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting. The in-depth review of the programme of work on island biodiversity, supported by a wide consultation organized by the Global Islands Partnership (GLISPA) as a collaborative platform of Parties, NGOs and other stakeholders, was considered by SBSTTA at its sixteenth meeting on the basis of documents prepared by the Executive Secretary.

117. The recommendation also welcomed the initiative of island States and those Parties managing islands for research and conservation to organize an island summit on the margins of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to highlight island leadership, progress and new commitments in implementing the programme of work on island biodiversity and achieving the Aichi Biodiversity Targets. It is expected that outcomes of the Island Summit, to be organized on 16 October 2012 by GLISPA as a parallel event to meeting of the Conference of the Parties, will provide guidance for the consideration of Parties on this item, as well as document (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/4), also published as GLISPA document.

118. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider SBSTTA recommendation XVI/3 as annexed to the report of its sixteenth meeting of (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3).

ITEM 9. ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION

119. In paragraph (a) (ix) of its decision X/9, on the multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties for the period 2011-2020, the Conference of the Parties decided to identify, at its eleventh meeting, ways and means to support ecosystem restoration, and possibly develop practical guidance on ecosystem restoration and related issues. Ecosystem restoration is a key element of targets 14 and 15 of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and of targets 4 and 8 of the updated Global Strategy for Plant Conservation for the period 2011-2020.

120. Accordingly, at its fifteenth meeting, SBSTTA considered ecosystem restoration and adopted recommendation XV/2. It also requested the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with relevant international organizations and other partners to compile information on existing practical guidance, relevant tools and most definitions on ecosystem restoration and report on progress for the consideration of this item by the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting. Accordingly, the Executive Secretary is submitting to the Conference of the Parties a note (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/21) providing a summary of this work. The full information prepared by, the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the society for ecological restoration and other is contained in information documents. The Conference of Parties is expected to consider this item on the basis of:

(a) SBSTTA recommendation XV/2, on ways and means to support ecosystem restoration as annexed to the report of its fifteenth meeting (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2); and

(b) The summary of the outcomes of inter-sessional work on ecosystem restoration provided in the above-mentioned note by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/21).

ITEM 10. MARINE AND COASTAL BIODIVERSITY

10.1. Identification of ecologically and biologically significant marine and coastal areas

121. In decision X/29, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to organize a series of regional workshops to facilitate the description of ecologically or biologically significant marine

areas through application of scientific criteria in Annex I of decision IX/20 (paragraph 36) and requested the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice to prepare reports based on scientific and technical evaluation of information from the workshops, setting out details of areas that meet the criteria in annex I to decision IX/20 for consideration and endorsement in a transparent manner by the Conference of the Parties (paragraph 42), with a view to including the endorsed reports in the repository (paragraph 39) and to submit the reports to the United Nations General Assembly and particularly its Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group, as well as relevant international organizations, Parties and other Governments.

122. Pursuant to this request, workshops to facilitate the description of ecologically or biologically significant marine areas were convened by the Executive Secretary for the following regions:

- (a) The Western South Pacific region (22-25 November 2011, Fiji);
- (b) The Wider Caribbean and Western Mid-Atlantic region (28 February - 2 March 2012, Brazil)
- (c) Southern Indian Ocean region (30 July – 3 August 2012, Mauritius);
- (d) Eastern Tropical and Temperate Pacific region (27 – 31 August 2012, Ecuador)

123. Also pursuant to this request, OSPAR and NEAFC convened, in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Joint OSPAR/NEAFC/CBD Scientific Workshop on the Identification of EBSAs in the North-East Atlantic, held in Hyeres, France, on 8-9 September 2011, and the Barcelona Convention informed provided a report to SBSTTA 16 regarding its work carried out for the identification of areas that meet the criteria for ecologically or biologically significant marine areas in the Mediterranean.

124. In decision X/29, the Conference of the Parties also requested the Executive Secretary, in cooperation with relevant organizations and partners to:

- (a) Establish a repository for scientific and technical information and experience related to the application of the scientific criteria on the identification of EBSAs, and to develop an information-sharing mechanism with similar initiatives (paragraph 39);
- (b) Prepare a capacity-building manual and modules for identifying EBSAs (paragraph 40);
- (c) Undertake a study to identify specific elements for integrating the traditional, scientific, technical and technological knowledge of indigenous and local communities, consistent with Article 8(j) of the Convention, and social and cultural criteria and other aspects for the application of scientific criteria for the identification of EBSAs as well as the establishment and management of marine protected areas (paragraph 47).

125. At its sixteenth meeting, SBSTTA, considered a report of the Executive Secretary on these matters (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/5) as well as the results of the workshops held to date, and, pursuant to decision X/29, prepared recommendation XVI/4, including, as an annex to that recommendation, a summary report, based on scientific and technical evaluation of information from the workshops, setting out details of areas that meet the agreed criteria for EBSAs.

126. SBSTTA, emphasizing that all regions should have the opportunity to participate in the process for describing areas that meet the EBSA criteria, requested the Executive Secretary to accord high priority to the organization of additional workshops, to make available a schedule for such workshops, and to include the results of the workshops in the information sharing mechanism.

127. The Executive Secretary has prepared document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/22 providing a progress report on these activities.

128. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is expected to:

(a) Consider SBSTTA recommendation XVI/4 (Marine and coastal biodiversity: ecologically or biological significant marine areas) including the annexed summary reports, as contained in the compilation of draft decisions (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/Add.2);

(b) Take note of the progress report (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/22) in the organization of a series of regional workshop to facilitate the description of areas meeting EBSAs criteria.

10.2. Other matters related to marine and coastal biodiversity

129. In response to requests of the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting in decision X/29, the Executive Secretary carried out a number of activities related to sustainable fisheries and addressing the adverse impacts of human activities on marine and coastal biodiversity, including:

(a) Organization of a joint expert meeting on addressing biodiversity concerns in sustainable fishery;

(b) Preparation of a report on progress made in the implementation of specific workplan on coral bleaching;

(c) Preparation of a study on the impacts of anthropogenic underwater noise;

(d) Organization of joint expert review process on the impacts of ocean acidification; and

(e) Preparation of a study on the impacts of marine debris.

130. SBSTTA considered this work at its sixteenth meeting on the basis of a note by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/6) and prepared recommendation XVI/5.

131. Pursuant to further requests in decision X/29, the Executive Secretary facilitated the development of voluntary guidelines for the consideration of biodiversity in environmental impact assessments (EIAs) and strategic environmental assessments (SEAs) in marine and coastal areas, building upon the existing voluntary guidelines endorsed through decision VIII/28 (paragraph 50 of decision X/29) and collaborated with the Secretariat of GEF STAP, and other partners to prepare a draft report on marine spatial planning (decision X/29, paragraph 50).

132. SBSTTA considered this work at its sixteenth meeting on the basis of a note by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/7) and adopted recommendation XVI/6. SBSTTA also requested the Executive Secretary to refine the voluntary guidelines in light of further views submitted by Parties, Governments and relevant organizations.

133. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties will have before it a progress report (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/23) on actions taken pursuant to SBSTTA recommendation XVI/6.

134. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider the following recommendations as contained in the compilation of draft decisions (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/Add.2):

(a) SBSTTA recommendation XVI/5 (Marine and coastal biodiversity: sustainable fisheries and addressing adverse impacts of human activities on marine and coastal biodiversity);

(b) SBSTTA recommendation XVI/6 (Marine and coastal biodiversity: marine spatial planning and voluntary guidelines for the consideration of biodiversity in environmental impact assessments and strategic environmental assessments in marine and coastal areas);

(c) The revised voluntary guidelines, refined pursuant to recommendation XVI/6.

ITEM 11. BIODIVERSITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE AND RELATED ISSUES

11.1. Advice on the application of relevant safeguards for biodiversity with regard to reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries; and the role of conservation, sustainable management of forests and enhancement of forest carbon stocks in developing countries

135. In its decision X/33, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with partners and Parties, to provide advice on biodiversity aspects of reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation and the role of conservation, sustainable management of forests and enhancement of forest carbon stocks in developing countries, for approval by the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting, including on the application of relevant safeguards for biodiversity.

136. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties also requested the Executive Secretary, in consultation with Parties and in collaboration with the Collaborative Partnership on Forests, to identify possible indicators to assess the contribution of REDD+ to achieving the objectives of the Convention on Biological Diversity, and to assess potential mechanisms to monitor impacts on biodiversity from these and other ecosystem-based approaches for climate change mitigation measures, and to report on progress to SBSTTA at a meeting prior to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

137. Based on views submitted by Parties, a series of four expert workshops held in 2010 and 2011, a report prepared by independent consultants, and a review of available peer-reviewed literature, the Executive Secretary prepared a note on advice on the application of relevant REDD+ safeguards for biodiversity, and on possible indicators and potential mechanisms to assess impacts of REDD+ measures on biodiversity (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/8).

138. SBSTTA, at its sixteenth session, considered this note and adopted recommendation XVI/7 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3).

139. SBSTTA also requested the Executive Secretary to prepare a revised version of the advice on REDD+ safeguards, based on views received by Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/24).

140. Accordingly, the Executive Secretary has prepared a revised version of the advice on REDD+ safeguards, taking into account the various comments received, to be considered as an annex to Recommendation XVI/7, as envisaged in that recommendation.

141. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider the following elements of a draft decision as contained in the compilation of draft decisions (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/Add.2):

(a) SBSTTA recommendation XVI/7 (Advice on the application of relevant REDD+ safeguards for biodiversity and on possible indicators and potential mechanisms to assess impacts of REDD+ measures on biodiversity)

(b) The revised advice on REDD+ safeguards, to be annexed to the aforementioned recommendation.

11.2 Studies on climate-related geoengineering

142. In decision X/33, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to prepare the following two reports for the consideration of SBSTTA at its sixteenth meeting:

(a) Compilation and synthesis of available scientific information, and views and experiences of indigenous and local communities and other stakeholders, on the possible impacts of climate-related geo engineering techniques on biodiversity and associated social, economic and cultural

considerations, and options on definitions and understandings of climate-related geo-engineering relevant to the Convention on Biological Diversity, and

(b) A study on gaps in existing regulatory mechanisms for climate-related geo-engineering relevant to the Convention on Biological Diversity.

143. SBSTTA considered this matter at its sixteenth meeting on the basis of document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/10 and prepared recommendation XVI/9 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3).

144. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider recommendation XVI/9 on technical and regulatory matters on geoengineering in relation to the convention on biological diversity.

11.3 Other matters related to biodiversity and climate change

145. In decisions X/20, paragraph 6, and X/33, paragraph 13, the Conference of the Parties called for increased cooperation between the three Rio conventions and listed a series of actions to this end. In decision X/33, the Conference of the Parties *inter alia* requested the Executive Secretary to develop proposals on actions to address the obstacles listed in section IV of the compilation of views submitted by Parties on ways to integrate biodiversity considerations into climate change-related activities for the consideration of the SBSTTA. The same decision requested the Executive Secretary to develop proposals on options for addressing gaps in knowledge and information on the impact of climate change on biodiversity outlined in the report of the Second Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Biodiversity and Climate Change.

146. SBSTTA considered this matter at its sixteenth meeting on the basis of document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/9 and prepared recommendation XVI/8 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3).

147. Also in decision X/33, the Conference of the Party requested the Executive Secretary to identify, enhance, compile and disseminate scientific knowledge, case studies, analyses and knowledge gaps on issues related to biodiversity-climate change links including on (i) climate change mitigation, including soil carbon, (ii) climate change adaptation (iii) the direct and indirect impacts of climate change on biodiversity, including invasive alien species; (iv) indicators on the achievement of social, cultural and economic benefits for biodiversity, climate change and combating desertification/land degradation; and (vii) the negative impacts of climate change mitigation and adaptation activities on biodiversity. Document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/25 provides a progress report on these matters.

148. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider SBSTTA recommendation XVI/8 (Proposals on integrating biodiversity considerations into climate-change –related activities, including addressing gaps in knowledge and information) in UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3 and take note of the progress report provided in UNEP/CBD/COP/11/25.

ITEM 12. BIODIVERSITY AND DEVELOPMENT

149. In decision X/6, the Conference of the Parties recognized the urgent need to improve capacity for mainstreaming the three objectives of the Convention into poverty eradication strategies and plans and development processes as a means to enhance the implementation of the Convention and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and enhance their contribution to sustainable development and well-being. It further decided to establish an Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development mandated to further elucidate the linkages between the three objectives of the Convention and poverty eradication, and to identify the most effective approach toward a framework on capacity-development for mainstreaming biodiversity and ecosystem services for sustainable development and poverty eradication.

150. The Expert Group met in Dehradun, India, from 12 to 14 December 2011. Its report, which included “Dehradun Recommendations”, was submitted for the consideration of the Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention at its fourth meeting (UNEP/CBD/WGRI/4/6/Add.1) The Working Group requested the Executive Secretary to invite Parties to express their views regarding the “Dehradun Recommendations” while taking into consideration the discussions in the Working Group and

the outcomes of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20). The Executive Secretary was also requested to submit a synthesis of the said comments for consideration by the Conference of the Parties.

151. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider the relevant recommendation of the Working Group on the Review of Implementation at its fourth meeting (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4) in addition to a synthesis report prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/33). The synthesis report will include revised “Dehradun Recommendations” based on written submissions received from Parties both during and after the fourth meeting of the Working Group on the Review of Implementation. All submissions have been compiled and are available in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/4.

ITEM 13. OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES ARISING FROM THE TENTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

13.1. Biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands

152. In decision X/35, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to collaborate with the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) to (i) explore, develop and implement joint actions to increase cooperation between the natural and social science communities to increase the integration of biodiversity and sustainable land management and ecological restoration considerations in disaster reduction and risk management, (ii) publish, subject to the availability of financial resources, a special CBD Technical Series report on the value of dry and sub-humid lands, (iii) develop guidance on the use of water and land-use management, including adapted agricultural practices and the control of soil erosion, and on identifying threats that have the greatest impacts on the biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands, and (iv) identify common indicators between the ten-year strategic plan of the UNCCD and Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020.

153. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties also requested the Executive Secretary to expand: (i) the existing CBD database of good practices and lessons learned with regard to linking biodiversity conservation and sustainable use to livelihoods in dry and sub-humid land, and (ii) the incentive-measures database to better include programmes in dry and sub-humid lands.

154. The Conference of the Parties further requested the Executive Secretary to identify: (i) in collaboration with FAO and the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, best practices to address conflicts between biodiversity conservation and sustainable use and pastoralism and agriculture in dry and sub-humid lands; and (ii) good-practice examples of the involvement of marginalized groups, defined based on national circumstances, in the implementation of the programme of work on the biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands, especially nomadic pastoralists and transhumant indigenous peoples.

155. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is expected to consider a progress report on these matters prepared by Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP11/25).

13.2 Forest biodiversity

156. In decision X/36, paragraph 5, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to identify and implement targeted joint activities between the Secretariats of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the United Nations Forum on Forests, including through:

(a) Further capacity-building on how forest biodiversity and climate change could be better addressed in national biodiversity and forest policies and in sustainable forest management practices;

(b) Further collaboration with the Global Partnership on Forest Landscape Restoration and other cooperation mechanisms on restoring forest ecosystems, paying particular attention to genetic diversity;

(c) Streamlining forest-related reporting, based on the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF) Task Force on Streamlining Forest-Related Reporting;

and to report on progress to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice.

157. Accordingly, in collaboration with the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat, the Executive Secretary prepared a note on collaboration with the United Nations Forum on Forests for the consideration of SBSTTA at its sixteenth meeting. SBSTTA prepared recommendation XVI/15, on this basis.

158. The Conference of the Parties is invited to consider the relevant part of SBSTTA recommendation XVI/16 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3). This item will be taken up in conjunction with item 5.2 of the agenda.

13.3. Inland waters biodiversity

159. In decision X/28, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to report to SBSTTA on: (i) an assessment of ways and means to address relevant inland water biodiversity needs in coastal areas (paragraph 16); (ii) the status of the River Basin Initiative (paragraph 20); (iii) the implications of changes in the water cycle, and freshwater resources, where relevant and feasible, in the implementation of all thematic and cross-cutting programmes of work (paragraph 38); and (iv) progress with the expert group to provide key policy relevant messages on maintaining the ability of biodiversity to continue to support the water cycle (paragraph 39). The fifteenth meeting of SBSTTA considered these subjects and prepared recommendation XV/5 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2).

160. Recommendation XV/5 also requested the Executive Secretary to: (i) undertake, under the joint work plan with the Ramsar Convention, an assessment of opportunities for enhanced collaboration on solutions to water problems; (ii) to further explore the scope for greater integration of the work of the two conventions; and (iii) prepare a summary report of the expert group on maintaining the ability of biodiversity to continue to support the water cycle; and to report on these subjects to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The Executive Secretary has reported on the first two items in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/17. The summary report of the aforementioned expert group is provided in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/30, and the full report as an information note (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/2).

161. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider SBSTTA recommendation XV/5, on the biological diversity of inland water ecosystems together with the summary report of the expert group (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/30).

13.4. Protected areas

162. For strengthening implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas (PoWPA) and to align implementation with available funding and technical support, the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting adopted several measures in decision X/31. These include the development of a long-term action plans (or reorientation of relevant existing plans) for the implementation of the PoWPA, with a view to contributing to the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 (paragraph 1(b)) and timely and appropriate use of the protected area biodiversity allocations of fifth replenishment period of the Global Environment Facility as well as bilateral, multilateral and other financial support (paragraph 10(b)).

163. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to continue holding regional and sub-regional capacity-building workshops (paragraph 7(a)) and to submit a report on the preparation of PoWPA national action plans to the Conference of the Parties (Paragraph 1(b)).

164. Accordingly from May 2011 to June 2012 the Executive Secretary organized 8 sub-regional workshops on capacity-building for implementation of the PoWPA, which directly served to aid the Parties in developing their PoWPA action plans and for achieving target 11 of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, through their preparation, technical support and follow-up, and has prepared note UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2, providing a report on the status of PoWPA action plans, synthesis of information contained in the action plans as well as suggested ways and means to strengthen

implementation of PoWPA action plans for achieving target 11 and other related targets of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020.

165. The Conference of Parties may wish to note the status of PoWPA action plans and suggest further ways and means to strengthen implementation of PoWPA for achieving target 11 and other related targets on the basis of the recommendations prepared by the Executive Secretary contained in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/26.

13.5. Agricultural biodiversity

166. In decision X/34, the Conference of the Parties noted with appreciation the cooperation between the Executive Secretary and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), including its Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture and called for the development of a second phase of the joint work programme focusing on refinements required as a result of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, and also considering a number of other issues specified in paragraph 5 of the decision.

167. SBSTTA, at its sixteenth meeting considered this matter on the basis of document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/16 and prepared recommendation XVI/15 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3). This agenda item will be considered in conjunction with agenda item 5.2.

168. In paragraph 20 of that decision X/34, the Conference of Parties invited FAO in consultation with the Executive Secretary and relevant partners, including indigenous and local communities, to undertake further studies on the valuation of the biodiversity and ecosystem services provided by agricultural ecosystems, consistent and in harmony with the Convention and other relevant international obligations, in order to further support policy-relevant guidance to Parties for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting. A report on this, and other, work on collaboration regarding agricultural biodiversity is provided in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/17.

169. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a progress report on these matters prepared by the Executive Secretary and FAO (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/17).

13.6. Sustainable use of biodiversity

170. In decision X/32, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to develop, through the Liaison Group on Bushmeat, options for small-scale food and income alternatives in tropical and subtropical countries, and to produce a revised version of the recommendations of the Liaison Group on Bushmeat. In the same decision, the Executive Secretary was requested to compile information on how to improve sustainable use of biodiversity in a landscape perspective. The Executive Secretary was requested to report on both items to a meeting of SBSTTA prior to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

171. Following a joint meeting of the CBD Liaison Group on Bushmeat with the Central Africa Bushmeat Working Group of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), held in Nairobi from 7 to 11 June 2011, the Executive Secretary prepared a note on options for small-scale food and income alternatives in tropical and sub-tropical countries and revised recommendations of the Liaison Group on Bushmeat (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/15/12).

172. Based on input received from relevant organizations, and on results from the International Symposium on Ecosystem and Landscape-Level Approaches to Sustainability, held in March 2011 in Burgos, Spain, the Executive Secretary prepared a note how to improve sustainable use of biodiversity in a landscape perspective (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/15/13).

173. SBSTTA, at its fifteenth session, considered these notes and adopted recommendation XV/6 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2).

174. SBSTTA also requested the Executive Secretary to report on the issue of bushmeat during the discussions at the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties on Article 8(j) regarding the new proposed element on Article 10 with a focus on Article 10(c), in order for this issue to be taken into

consideration when discussing the indicative Plan of Action developed the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions.

175. SBSTTA further requested the Executive Secretary to explore options for the development of a collaborative partnership on sustainable wildlife management to enhance cooperation and coordination for implementation of the recommendations of the Liaison Group on Bushmeat, and to report to the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting.

176. In response to this request, the Executive Secretary prepared a note (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/30), taking into account expressions of interest in a collaborative partnership on sustainable wildlife management, submitted by relevant organizations.

177. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is expected to:

- (a) Consider SBSTTA recommendation XV/6 contained in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2;
- (b) Consider the options for the development of a collaborative partnership on sustainable wildlife management, on the basis of a note prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/29).

13.7 Global Strategy for Plant Conservation

178. In decision X/17 the Conference of the Parties adopted the updated Global Strategy for Plant Conservation (GSPC) 2011-2020 and invited Parties and other Governments to develop or update national and, regional targets as appropriate, and, where appropriate, to incorporate them into relevant plans, programmes and initiatives, including national biodiversity strategies and action plans, and to align the further implementation of the Strategy with national and/or regional efforts to implement the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020.

179. In the same decision the Conference of the Parties, *inter alia*:

- (c) Called for the further development of the technical rationales, milestones and indicators for the updated Strategy, consistent with the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020;
- (d) Requested the development, by 2012, of an online version of the toolkit for the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation in all United Nations official languages; and
- (e) Requested the organization of regional capacity-building and training workshops on national, subregional and regional implementation of the Strategy.

180. In response to this decision, the Executive Secretary, *inter alia*:

- (a) Convened the fourth meeting of the Liaison Group for the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation;
- (b) Further developed, in collaboration with the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation, the technical rationales, milestones and indicators for the updated Strategy;
- (c) Commissioned Botanic Gardens Conservation International, in collaboration with the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation, to prepare an online version of the toolkit to support implementation of the Strategy.

181. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider recommendation XVI/10 of SBSTTA as annexed to the report of its sixteenth meeting (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3).

13.8 Biofuels and biodiversity

182. In paragraphs 11-14 of decision X/37, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to report to SBSTTA regarding: (i) information on tools for voluntary use, including on available standards and methodologies to assess direct and indirect effects and impacts on biodiversity of the production and use of biofuels, in their full life cycle as compared to that of other types of fuels, and

impacts on biodiversity that affect related socio-economic conditions; (ii) compilation of information on gaps in available standards; and (iii) contributions to and assist with the ongoing work of relevant partner organizations and processes.

183. At its sixteenth meeting SBSTTA considered this matter on the basis of document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/14 and prepared recommendation XVI/13 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3).

184. Under this agenda item the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider SBSTTA recommendation XVI/13 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3).

13.9 Invasive alien species

185. In its decision X/38 A, the Conference of the Parties established an ad hoc technical expert group (AHTEG) to suggest ways and means, including, *inter alia*, providing scientific and technical information, advice and guidance, on the possible development of standards by relevant international bodies to avoid the spread, prevent the impacts, and minimize the risks associated with the introduction of alien invasive species. In decision X/38 B, the Conference of the Parties urged Parties and other Governments to formally address the issues of invasive alien species through their national delegations to the relevant organizations noted in decision IX/4 A, in order to facilitate the process of addressing gaps and inconsistencies in the international regulatory framework for invasive alien species.

186. In accordance with decision X/38 A, the Executive Secretary convened an AHTEG on 16-18 February 2011 in Geneva, Switzerland, and collected information on the progress of Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations to address gaps and inconsistencies in the international regulatory framework and reported this information to the fifteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA).

187. At its fifteenth meeting, based on a note by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/15/6), SBSTTA considered proposals on ways and means to address gaps in international standards regarding invasive alien species introduced as pets, aquarium and terrarium species, as live bait and live food, and adopted recommendation XV/4 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2). This recommendation also addressed other gaps and inconsistencies in the international regulatory framework for invasive alien species, and made some considerations for future work to achieve Aichi Biodiversity Target 9. Accordingly, under this item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider SBSTTA recommendation XV/4 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3) and the progress report provided by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/28).

13.10 Global Taxonomy Initiative

188. In paragraph 16 of decision X/39, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary, in consultation with Coordination Mechanism for the Global Taxonomy Initiative, national focal points for the Initiative and relevant institutions, bodies and organizations, to develop a comprehensive capacity-building strategy for the Global Taxonomy Initiative at global and regional levels that addresses the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020. The Executive Secretary was also requested to develop a standard format for taxonomic needs and capacity assessments for use by Parties.

189. At its fifteenth meeting, SBSTTA reviewed the draft Comprehensive Capacity-Building Strategy for the Global Taxonomy Initiative provided by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/15/5), and prepared recommendation XV/3 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2). SBSTTA requested further work on the draft strategy and decided to consider it again at its next meeting.

190. Accordingly, a revised version of draft strategy was prepared by the Executive Secretary in cooperation with the GTI Coordination Mechanism on the basis of further inputs by Parties and organizations. SBSTTA finalized the draft strategy in its recommendation XVI/11 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3).

191. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider the following draft decision contained in document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/add.2 comprising:

- (a) SBSTTA recommendation XV/3; and
- (b) The annex to SBSTTA recommendation XVI/11.

13.11 Incentive measures

192. In paragraph 15 of decision X/44, on incentive measures, the Conference of the Parties invited Parties, other Governments, and relevant international organizations and initiatives to report to the Executive Secretary progress made, difficulties encountered, and lessons learned, in implementing the work spelled out in this decision, pertaining to the removal or mitigation of perverse incentives, the promotion of positive incentive measures, and the assessment of the values of biodiversity and ecosystem services. In paragraph 16 of the same decision, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to synthesize and analyse the information submitted, and prepare a progress report for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

193. In response to the decision, the Executive Secretary circulated a notification inviting Parties, other Governments and relevant international organizations and initiatives to submit information on the activities spelt out in decision X/44. On the basis of the information received, the Executive Secretary prepared an analysis that was submitted to SBSTTA at its sixteenth meeting (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/16/15). Having considered the note and resulting conclusions adopted recommendation XVI/14, which is reflected in the compilation of draft decisions before the Conference of the Parties (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/Add.2).

194. Under this agenda item, the Conference of the Parties will also have before it a note by the Executive Secretary containing an updated analysis of all the information received (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/34). An updated synthesis of the information will be made available as an information document.

195. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties may wish consider the updated progress report and SBSTTA recommendation XVI/14 (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3) and the relevant decision in the compilation of draft decisions (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/Add.2).

ITEM 14. ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY MATTERS

14.1. Report of the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Convention and the budget for the trust funds of the Convention

196. The report of the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Convention and the budget for the trust funds of the Convention (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/9) will be before the Conference of the Parties for its consideration. The Conference of the Parties is invited to take note of the report and to take up the information contained therein in its consideration of agenda item 14.2 on the budget for the programme of work for the biennium 2013-2014.

14.2. Administration of the Convention and budget for the trust funds of the Convention for the biennium 2013-2014

197. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to adopt a programme budget for the biennium 2013-2014 to meet the core administrative costs of the Conference of the Parties, SBSTTA, the meetings of other subsidiary bodies and the Secretariat on the basis of a proposed budget prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/10).

198. As requested in decision X/45, paragraph 24, the proposal contains three alternatives for the core programme budget based on:

- (a) Making an assessment of the required rate of growth for the core programme budget (BY Trust Fund);
- (b) Increasing the core programme budget (BY Trust Fund) from the 2011-2012 level by 7.5 per cent in nominal terms;

(c) Maintaining the core programme budget (BY Trust Fund) at the 2011-2012 level in nominal terms.

199. As in the past, the levels of contributions to the budget by individual Parties, which are annexed to the document, have been based on the United Nations scale of assessments for the apportionment of expenses adjusted for the Convention on Biological Diversity. Detailed information on activities and resource needs by programme and sub-programme are explained in the note by the Executive Secretary on detailed sub-programme activities and resources required (UNEP/CBD/COP/11/10/Add.1), while tables indicating the status of the trust funds under the Convention, the financial statements for 2010-2011 and the scale of contributions for the biennium 2011-2012 are being circulated as an information document.

200. The Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety provides that, “to the extent that they are distinct; the costs of the Secretariat services for the Protocol shall be met by the Parties hereto”. Therefore, there is a need to identify those Secretariat costs that are distinct to the Protocol and those that are common to the Convention and the Protocol. Given that the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will immediately precede the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, the latter will be informed of the budget adopted for the Protocol for the next biennium as distinct costs.

201. Since the Nagoya Protocol will not be in force at the time of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the financial costs of the interim mechanisms will continue to be borne by the Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity (BY) in accordance with decision X/1, paragraph 21.

202. Consistent with past practice, it is suggested that a budget contact group be established to prepare a budget, which will be submitted to plenary for adoption. The budget contact group will be invited to present its findings to the plenary midway through the meeting.

ITEM 15. FINAL MATTERS

15.1. Date and venue of the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties

203. In accordance with paragraph 2 of rule 4 of its rules of procedure, the Conference of the Parties is to decide on the date and duration of its next ordinary meeting.

204. At its fifth meeting, the Conference decided to amend rule 4 of its rules of procedure so that ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Parties shall be held every two years.

205. Rule 3 of the rules of procedure provides that meetings of the Conference of the Parties shall take place at the seat of the Secretariat, unless the Conference of the Parties decides otherwise or other appropriate arrangements are made by the Secretariat in consultation with the Parties.

206. Under this item, a decision regarding the date and venue of the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties will be required.

15.2. Other matters

207. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider other matters raised and accepted for discussion in accordance with rule 12 of the rules of procedure and paragraph 7 of decision IV/16.

15.3 Adoption of the report

208. The Conference of the Parties will be invited to consider and adopt the report on the work of its eleventh meeting on the basis of the draft report prepared by the Rapporteur and the reports of the two working groups. It may also wish to annex to its report the outcomes of the high-level segment of the meeting and other events organized in conjunction with its meeting. In accordance with established practice, the Conference of the Parties is invited to authorize the Rapporteur to complete the final report after the meeting with the guidance of the President and assistance of the Secretariat.

15.4 Closure of the meeting

209. It is expected that the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties will be closed on Friday, 19 October 2012 at approximately 6 p.m.

Annex I

**PROVISIONAL LIST OF DOCUMENTS FOR THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF
THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON
BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Working title</i>
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1	Provisional agenda
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/Add.1	Annotations to the provisional agenda
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/1/Add.2	Draft decisions of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/2	Report of the fifteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/3	Report of the sixteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/4	Report of the fourth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/5	Report of the first meeting of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Committee for the Nagoya Protocol
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/6	Report of the second meeting of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Committee for the Nagoya Protocol
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/7	Report of the seventh meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/8	Report of the Global Environment Facility
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/9	Report of the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Convention and the budget for the trust funds of the Convention
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/10	Proposed budget for the programme of work of the Convention on Biological Diversity for the biennium 2013-2014
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/10/Add.1	Proposed budget for the programme of work of the Convention on Biological Diversity for the biennium 2013-2014: programme and sub-programme activities and resources required
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/11	Progress report on the Nagoya Protocol
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/12	Review of progress in implementation including the establishment of national targets and the updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans

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UNEP/CBD/COP/11/13	Review of progress in providing support to Parties in the context of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/13/Add.1	Progress report on technology transfer and cooperation (Article 16 to 19)
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/13/Add.2	Progress report on the clearing-house mechanism
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/14	Review of implementation of the Strategy for Resource Mobilization, including the establishment of targets
UNEP/CBD/COP11/14 /Add.1	Reporting Framework
UNEP/CBD/COP11/14 /Add.2	Key messages from the High-level Panel on Global Assessment of Resources for implementing the Strategic Plan
UNEP/CBD/COP11/14 /Add.3	Synthesis report based on submissions and information related to decision X/3 paragraph 8(c)
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/15	Needs assessment for GEF-6, four year framework and review of the effectiveness of the Financial mechanism
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/16	United Nations Decade on Biodiversity and assessment of the results of the International Year for Biodiversity
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/17	Cooperation with other conventions, international organizations and initiatives
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/18	Engagement of stakeholders, major groups and subnational authorities
UNEP/CBD/COP11/18/add.1	Engagement with business
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/19	Consideration of the need to strengthen the existing mechanisms of the Convention and the need for and possible development of additional mechanisms
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/19/Add.1	Options for collaboration with the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/20	Retirement of decisions
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/21	Ecosystem restoration
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/22	Marine and coastal biodiversity: progress report on describing areas that meet EBSA criteria
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/23	Marine and coastal biodiversity - - Environmental assessments
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/24	Advice on REDD+

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Working title</i>
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/25	Progress report on biodiversity and climate change and on the programme of work on the biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/26	Protected areas: progress in the implementation of the programme of work and achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Target 11
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/27	Monitoring implementation, including the use of indicators, reporting, and preparation of the fourth edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/28	Invasive alien species: progress report on the programme of work
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/29	Options for the development of a Collaborative Partnership on Sustainable Wildlife Management
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/30	Summary report of the work of the expert group on maintaining the ability of biodiversity to continue to support the water cycle
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/31	Proposed work programme for the clearing-house mechanism in support of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/32	Progress report on gender mainstreaming
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/33	Biodiversity for development: synthesis report
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/34	Incentive measures: progress report on activities undertaken by Parties, other Governments, relevant organizations and initiatives, and the Executive Secretary
OTHER DOCUMENTS	
UNEP/CBD/WG8J/7/INF/5/Rev.1	Revised compilation of views on Article 10 with a focus on Article 10(c)
UNEP/CBD/WG8J/7/5/Add.1	Report of the meeting on Article 10 with a focus on Article 10(C), as a major component of the programme of work on Article 8(j) and related provisions of the Convention
UNEP/CBD/WG8J/7/7/Rev.1	Revised recommendations arising from the ninth and tenth sessions of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues to the Convention on Biological Diversity
UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/3/Add.2	United Nations Decade on Biological Diversity
UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/6/ Add.1	Review of implementation of the Strategy for Resource Mobilization (Addendum)

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Working title</i>
UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/10	Multi-Year Plan of Action for South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity for Development
UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/INF/14	Report of the Global Workshop on National Experiences in Implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020
UNEP/CBD/COP/10/10	The multi-year programme of work and the periodicity of meetings of the Conference of the Parties
UNEP/CBD/COP/10/10/Add.1 -	Periodicity of meetings and organization of work of the Conference of the Parties

INFORMATION DOCUMENTS

UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/1	Proposals on the retirement of decisions taken by the Conference of the Parties at its seventh meeting (Draft)
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/2	Report of the work of the expert group on maintaining the ability of biodiversity to continue to support the water cycle
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/3	Compilation of views on the need for and possible development of additional mechanisms to enable Parties to meet their commitments under the Convention and the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/4	Report on revised “Dehradun Recommendations” written submissions received from Parties both during and after the fourth meeting of the Working Group on the Review of Implementation
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/5	Technology transfer and cooperation: compilation of activities and gap analysis
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/6	Resource mobilization: compilation and consolidation of data provided by Parties through the preliminary reporting framework
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/7	“Background note: Safeguards for scaling-up biodiversity finance: potential guiding principles” prepared. The Resilience and Development Programme (SwedBio) at the Stockholm University
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/8	A review of barriers to the sharing of biodiversity data and information, with recommendations for eliminating them
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/9	Activities that support technology transfer and scientific and technological cooperation of relevance to the Convention
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/10	Updated synthesis of information on progress in implementing decision X/44 – Incentive measures

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Working title</i>
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/11	Report of the First Meeting of the Informal Diversity Liaison Group
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/12	Review of Progress in the Establishment of National Targets and Updating of National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans since the Adoption of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/13	Review of progress in providing support to Parties in the context of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets: Contributions of the Japan Biodiversity Fund
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/14	The Working Relationship between the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/15	The biodiversity Indicators partnership and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020: How partnership can contribute to delivery of sbstta-15 recommendations with respect to global, regional and national indicator development and use
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/16	Compilation of submissions in response to decision X/3 paragraph 8 (c)
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/17	Available guidance/guidelines on ecosystem restoration
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/18	Available tools and technologies on ecosystem restoration
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/19	Most used definitions/descriptions of key terms related to ecosystem restoration
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/20	Report of the High Level Panel on Global Assessment of Resources for Implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/21	Summary of the Little Biodiversity Finance Book
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/22	The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity for Water and Wetlands
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/23	Nagoya Protocol: steps taken towards ratification and implementation
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/24	Status of issues under consideration in the Intergovernmental Committee for the Nagoya Protocol (ICNP)
UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/25	Organic carbon stocks and the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity

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Additional information on definition options from SBSTTA-16
by the authors of the report on the impacts of climate-related
geoengineering on biodiversity

Annex II

**PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK AT THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE
CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

	PLENARY	WORKING GROUP I	WORKING GROUP II
<p><i>Monday, 8 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.</p>	<p>1.1 Opening of the meeting. 1.2 Election of officers. 1.3 Adoption of the agenda. 1.4 Organization of work. 1.5 Report on the credentials of representatives to the meeting. 1.6 Pending issues. 1.7 Reports of inter-sessional and regional preparatory meetings. 14.1. Report of the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Convention and the budget for the trust funds of the Convention.</p>		
<p>3 p.m. – 6 p.m.</p>		<p>8. Review of the programme of work on island biodiversity. 9. Ecosystem restoration.</p>	<p>3. Implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and progress towards the Aichi Biodiversity Targets: 3.1. Progress in implementation of the Strategic Plan for 2011-2020 including the establishment of national targets and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans; ** 3.2 Progress in providing capacity-building support to Parties, promoting CEPA, and strengthening the clearing-house mechanism and technology transfer and cooperation; ** 3.3 Further development of tools and</p>

** Single opening statements for items 3.1; 3.2 and 3.3.

	PLENARY	WORKING GROUP I	WORKING GROUP II
			guidance for monitoring implementation, including indicators.**
<i>Tuesday, 9 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		<p>10. Marine and coastal biodiversity:</p> <p>10.1 Ecologically and biologically significant marine areas;**</p> <p>10.2 Other matters related to marine and coastal biodiversity. **</p>	<p>4. Financial resources and financial mechanism:</p> <p>4.1. Strategy for resource mobilization, including the establishment of targets;</p> <p>4.2 Report of the Global Environment Facility; **</p> <p>4.3. Guidance to the financial mechanism: four-year framework of programme priorities and review of effectiveness;**</p> <p>4.4 Needs assessment for the sixth GEF replenishment cycle. **</p>
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.		<p>11. Biodiversity and climate change:</p> <p>11.1 Advice on REDD+;</p> <p>11.2 Studies on geoengineering;</p> <p>11.3 Other matters related to climate change.</p>	<p>2. Status of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from Their Utilization.</p>

** Single opening statements for items 4.2; 4.3 and 4.4; as well as for items 10.1 and 10.2.

	PLENARY	WORKING GROUP I	WORKING GROUP II
<i>Wednesday, 10 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		7. Article 8(j) and related provisions.	5. Cooperation, outreach and the United Nations Decade on Biodiversity: 5.1 United Nations Decade on Biodiversity; 5.2 Cooperation with international organizations, other conventions and initiatives; 13.5. Agricultural biodiversity; 13.2. Forest biodiversity;
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.		13. Other substantive issues arising from decisions of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties: 13.1 Biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands; 13.3 Inland waters biodiversity; 13.4 Protected areas;	5.3 Business and biodiversity; 5.4 Engagement of other stakeholders, major groups and subnational authorities.
<i>Thursday, 11 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		13.6. Sustainable use of biodiversity; 13.7. Global Strategy for Plant Conservation; 13.8. Biofuels and biodiversity;	6. Operations of the Convention: 6.1 Periodicity of meetings; ** 6.2 Consideration of the need to strengthen existing mechanisms of the Convention and need for additional mechanisms; 6.3 Retirement of decisions.
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.		13.9. Invasive alien species; 13.10. Global Taxonomy Initiative; 13.11 Incentive measures.	12. Biodiversity and development

** Single opening statements for items 6.1 and 6.2.

	PLENARY	WORKING GROUP I	WORKING GROUP II
<i>Friday, 12 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		(Matters outstanding)	(Matters outstanding)
	PLENARY	WORKING GROUP I	WORKING GROUP II
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Review of progress in Working Groups and the budget contact group (followed by Working Groups)	<i>Following plenary meeting:</i> (Matters outstanding)	<i>Following plenary meeting:</i> (Matters outstanding)
<i>Monday, 15 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		(Matters outstanding)	(Matters outstanding)
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.		(Matters outstanding)	(Matters outstanding)
<i>Tuesday, 16 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		(Matters outstanding)	(Matters outstanding)
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.		(Matters outstanding)	(Matters outstanding)
<i>Wednesday, 17 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		(Matters outstanding)	(Matters outstanding)
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.		(Matters outstanding)	(Matters outstanding)
<i>Thursday, 18 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		(Matters outstanding)	(Matters outstanding)
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.		(Matters outstanding)	(Matters outstanding)
<i>Friday, 19 October</i> 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<i>(no meetings scheduled)</i>	<i>(no meetings scheduled)</i>	<i>(no meetings scheduled)</i>

	PLENARY	WORKING GROUP I	WORKING GROUP II
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	<p>14.2. Administration of the Convention and budget for the programme of work of the Convention for the biennium 2013-2014</p> <p>Consideration of draft decisions</p> <p>15. Final matters:</p> <p>15.1. Date and venue of the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.</p> <p>15.2. Other matters.</p> <p>15.3. Adoption of the report.</p> <p>15.4. Closure of the meeting.</p>		
