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**AD HOC TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP ON REVIEW OF
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF WORK ON
FOREST BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**Inter-sessional meeting on outcome-oriented targets
Montreal, 14-16 March 2005
Item 2.1 of the provisional agenda***ORGANIZATION OF WORK: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA***Annotations to the provisional agenda***INTRODUCTION**

1. The purpose of the inter-sessional meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group (AHTEG) on the Review of Implementation of the Programme of Work on Forest Biological Diversity is to assist the Executive Secretary in proposing scientifically and technically sound outcome-oriented targets for the programme of work on forest biological diversity for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA). The Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity requested the development of such targets as part of its overall effort to achieve by 2010 a significant reduction of the current rate of biodiversity loss at the global, regional and national level (decision VI/26). More specifically, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary, in paragraph 7 of decision VII/1, and in collaboration with the AHTEG on the review of implementation of the programme of work on forest biological diversity to propose outcome-oriented targets to be integrated into the work programme for consideration by SBSTTA prior to the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The same paragraph also states that the targets should be viewed as a flexible framework within which national and/or regional targets may be developed.

2. Paragraph 12 (c) of decision VII/30 further requests that the integration of outcome-oriented targets into the programmes of work proceed according to the overall framework identified and the approach adopted in the annexes to the same decision, identifying more precise targets, including, as appropriate, quantitative elements. Those annexes are appended here for information purposes as annexes III and IV.

3. Yet in order to avoid the proliferation of targets for all the different programmes of work, as far as practical, the targets should adhere as closely as possible to those developed as part of the overall framework – with minor re-wording as required. Appropriate quantitative elements should be introduced where feasible.

* UNEP/CBD/AHTEG-FBD.REV/IS-1/1.

It is expected that the Group will consider and refine the draft proposal for outcome-oriented targets for the expanded programme of work on forest biological diversity (UNEP/CBD/AHTEG-FBD.REV/IS-1/2).

4. The results of the meeting of the Group will be reported to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) at its eleventh meeting and subsequently to the Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting, as part of the recommendations of the AHTEG on the review of implementation of forest work programme at the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

5. A list of documents for the meeting is attached as annex II.

6. The meeting will take place in the World Trade Centre in Montreal. Registration of participants will commence at 9 a.m. on Monday, 14 March 2005.

ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

7. The Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, or his representative, will open the meeting at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 14 March 2005.

ITEM 2. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

2.1. Adoption of the agenda

8. The provisional agenda prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/AHTEG-FBD.REV/IS-1/1) will be before the Expert Group for consideration and adoption.

2.2. Organization of work

9. The Expert Group is invited to consider the proposed organization of work for the meeting annexed to the present annotated provisional agenda.

10. The Group may wish to start its work in plenary, and then break into working groups if necessary. Whenever appropriate, the Expert Group may wish to re-convene in plenary.

ITEM 3. DEVELOPMENT OF OUTCOME-ORIENTED TARGETS FOR THE EXPANDED PROGRAMME OF WORK ON FOREST BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

11. A representative of the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity will review the objectives of the meeting, will present the background and relevant Convention processes and decisions, and will also describe the expected outputs of the meeting. The Expert Group is expected to discuss general issues related to this item.

3.1 Consideration of the targets and their technical rationales for their integration into the forest work programme

12. The Group is invited to discuss in general the draft proposal for outcome-oriented targets for the expanded programme of work on forest biological diversity (UNEP/CBD/AHTEG-FBD. REV/IS-1/2). In particular, the Group should consider under this agenda item whether the draft technical rationales address all priority issues and relate to the targets, and whether the targets included under each technical rationale are the best possible adaptations to forest biological diversity of the overall targets approved by the Conference of the Parties in its decision VII/30. The Group is invited to amend the draft working document as needed, while adhering to the guidance given by the Conference of the Parties.

3.2 *Consideration of more precise targets, including as appropriate, quantitative elements for their integration into the forest work programme*

13. Under this agenda item, the Expert Group is invited to discuss the quantitative elements for specific targets for the expanded programme of work on forest biological diversity. When appropriate, the participants are also invited to develop further the rationales underlying the quantitative elements selected.

14. After concluding its discussions of items 3.1 and 3.2 above, the Expert Group will revise the draft document.

ITEM 4. OTHER MATTERS

15. Under this item, participants will be invited to raise other relevant matters.

ITEM 5. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

16. The Group will consider and adopt its report, on the basis of a draft to be presented by the Co-Chairs with the support of the Secretariat.

ITEM 6. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

17. The meeting is expected to be closed at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 16 March 2005.

Annex I

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR THE INTER-SESSIONAL MEETING OF THE AD HOC TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP ON REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF WORK ON FOREST BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Monday, 14 March 2005

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| 9.30 a.m. | Opening of the meeting (agenda item 1). |
| Morning | Organizational matters (agenda item 2). |
| Afternoon | Consideration of outcome-oriented targets for the expanded programme of work on forest biological diversity (agenda item 3). |

Tuesday, 15 March 2005

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| 9 a.m. | Work in plenary, or in working groups, reconvenes. |
| Morning | Consideration of the targets and their technical rationales for their integration into the forest work programme (agenda item 3.1). |
| Afternoon | Agenda item 3.1 continued. |

Wednesday, 16 March 2005

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| 9 a.m. | Work in plenary, or in working groups, reconvenes. |
| Morning | Consideration of more precise targets, including as appropriate, quantitative elements for their integration into the forest work programme (agenda item 3.2). |
| Afternoon | Other matters (agenda item 4). Adoption of the report (agenda item 5). |
| 5 p.m. | Closure of the meeting (agenda item 6). |

Annex II

**LIST OF DOCUMENTS FOR THE INTERSESSIONAL MEETING OF THE AD HOC
TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP ON REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
PROGRAMME OF WORK ON FOREST BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

Working documents

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| UNEP/CBD/AHTEG-FBD.REV/IS-1/1 | Provisional agenda |
| UNEP/CBD/AHTEG-FBD.REV/IS-1/Add.1 | Annotations to the provisional agenda |
| UNEP/CBD/AHTEG-FBD.REV/IS-1/2 | Draft outcome-oriented targets for the implementation of the expanded programme of work on forest biological diversity. |

Background documentation

- Decision VI/22 on forest biological diversity.
- Decision VII/1 on forest biological diversity.
- Decision VII/30 on Strategic Plan: future evaluation of progress.
- Report of the Expert Group Meeting on Outcome-Oriented Targets for the Programmes of Work on the Biological Diversity of Inland Water Ecosystems and Marine and Coastal Ecosystems (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/10/INF/6).
- Report of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on indicators for assessing progress towards the 2010 biodiversity target (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/10/INF/7).
- Refinement of goals and subtargets and their integration into the programmes of work under the Convention (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/10/8).
- Draft global outcome-oriented targets for the implementation of the elaborated programme of work on marine and coastal biological diversity (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/10/8/Add.1).
- Draft global outcome-oriented targets for the implementation of the programme of work on inland water ecosystems (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/10/8/Add.2).
- Global Strategy for Plant Conservation (decision VI/9).

Other documents

Information for participants

*Annex III***GENERAL APPROACHES FOR THE INTEGRATION OF TARGETS INTO THE PROGRAMMES OF WORK OF THE CONVENTION**

The following steps would be carried out: for each thematic programme of work, and for other programmes of work, as appropriate:

- (a) *Vision, mission and outcome-oriented targets:*
- (i) Identification of the overall vision (or long-term goal) to be ultimately achieved for the biome/issue covered by the programme of work, consistent with the Purpose of the Strategic Plan;
 - (ii) Identification of a 2010 outcome-oriented global target specific to the scope of the programme of work and consistent with the Mission of the Strategic Plan;
 - (iii) Identification of a limited number of outcome-oriented targets related to the status and trends of biodiversity and its components, threats to biodiversity, and goods and services provided by biodiversity and ecosystems within the scope of the programme of work. Where appropriate, quantitative sub-targets should be established. The targets should be assigned to a number of goals according to the proposed headings in annex I. Where possible the sub-targets of annex 2 should be incorporated into the work programmes without modification to avoid unnecessary proliferation of targets. Where appropriate, identification of targets could draw upon the approach used to develop the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation. However, this process does not imply that all targets in annex I and the GSPC should be applied in every programme of work. Rather, targets may highlight broad strategic issues and/or particularly urgent priority issues, and each target should be associated with one or more indicators, which can draw upon existing data.
- (b) *Relationship between the programme of work, its targets, and other processes:*
- (i) Examination of how the programme of work contributes to particular Millennium Development Goals and associated targets;
 - (ii) A brief analysis of how the programme of work, and its targets, relates to the elements of the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, categorizing such elements as follows:
 - Elements to be integrated into the programme of work (these elements should be fully within the scope of the programme of work), specifying which of these represent outcome-oriented biodiversity related targets;
 - Elements which complement the goals of the programme of work; and
 - Elements representing goals to which the programme of work contributes;
 - (iii) A brief analysis of how the programme of work, and its targets, relates to the objectives, plans and targets of other multilateral environmental agreements and other relevant agreements, using the same categorization as in (b) (ii);

(c) *Intermediate output or process oriented targets, milestones and deadlines for the activities of the programme of work:* Identification of a number of process- or output-oriented targets, milestones and deadlines, relating to the specific objectives, programme elements, and/or activities of the programme of work, according to the structure and needs of each programme of work.

Annex IV

PROVISIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR GOALS AND TARGETS

Protect the components of biodiversity

Goal 1. Promote the conservation of the biological diversity of ecosystems, habitats and biomes

Target 1.1: At least 10% of each of the world's ecological regions effectively conserved.

Target 1.2: Areas of particular importance to biodiversity protected.

Goal 2. Promote the conservation of species diversity

Target 2.1: Restore, maintain, or reduce the decline of populations of species of selected taxonomic groups.

Target 2.2: Status of threatened species improved.

Goal 3. Promote the conservation of genetic diversity

Target 3.1: Genetic diversity of crops, livestock, and of harvested species of trees, fish and wildlife and other valuable species conserved, and associated indigenous and local knowledge maintained.

Promote Sustainable Use

Goal 4. Promote sustainable use and consumption

Target 4.1: Biodiversity-based products derived from sources that are sustainably managed, and production areas managed consistent with the conservation of biodiversity.

Target 4.2 Unsustainable consumption, of biological resources, or that impacts upon biodiversity, reduced.

Target 4.3: No species of wild flora or fauna endangered by international trade.

Address threats to biodiversity

Goal 5. Pressures from habitat loss, land use change and degradation, and unsustainable water use, reduced

Target 5.1: Rate of loss and degradation of natural habitats decreased.

Goal 6. Control threats from invasive alien species

Target 6.1: Pathways for major potential alien invasive species controlled.

Target 6. 2: Management plans in place for major alien species that threaten ecosystems, habitats or species.

Goal 7. Address challenges to biodiversity from climate change and pollution

Target 7.1: Maintain and enhance resilience of the components of biodiversity to adapt to climate change.

Target 7.2: Reduce pollution and its impacts on biodiversity.

Maintain goods and services from biodiversity to support human well-being

Goal 8. Maintain capacity of ecosystems to deliver goods and services and support livelihoods

Target 8.1: Capacity of ecosystems to deliver goods and services maintained.

Target 8.2: biological resources that support sustainable livelihoods, local food security and health care, especially of poor people maintained.

Protect traditional knowledge, innovations and practices

Goal 9 Maintain socio-cultural diversity of indigenous and local communities

Target 9.1 Protect traditional knowledge, innovations and practices.

Target 9.2: Protect the rights of indigenous and local communities over their traditional knowledge, innovations and practices, including their rights to benefit sharing.

Ensure the fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of the use of genetic resources

Goal 10. Ensure the fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of the use of genetic resources

Target 10.1: All transfers of genetic resources are in line with the Convention on Biological Diversity, the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture and other applicable agreements.

Target 10.2: Benefits arising from the commercial and other utilization of genetic resources shared with the countries providing such resources.

Ensure provision of adequate resources

Goal 11: Parties have improved financial, human, scientific, technical and technological capacity to implement the Convention

Target 11.1: New and additional financial resources are transferred to developing country Parties, to allow for the effective implementation of their commitments under the Convention, in accordance with Article 20.

Target 11.2: Technology is transferred to developing country Parties, to allow for the effective implementation of their commitments under the Convention, in accordance with Article 20, paragraph 4.
