**Template for the Advanced Comments on Draft Documents on Planning, Reporting and Review Mechanisms for the Resumed Session of the Third Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation**

**TEMPLATE FOR COMMENTS: Revised guidance and template for the seventh and eighth reports contained in annex to CBD/SBI/3/11/ADD1/AMEND1**

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| **Advanced comments on the draft documents on Planning, Reporting and Review Mechanisms for the Resumed Session of the Third Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation** |
| **Scope of this template for comments**  | Revised guidance and template for the seventh and eighth national reports, contained in annex to the document CBD/SBI/3/11/ADD1/AMEND1 which includes a draft of Annex C to CBD/SBI/3/CRP.5. This template aims to collect feedback on that Annex.  |
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| **Comments** |
| Please provide any general comments on the structure of the draft template for the seventh and eighth national reports, as well as the introduction to the template. * The comments to the text description of the Annex for the National Reporting are as follows.
* At the end of paragraph 1 there is the need to introduce the following wording: (…) In this context, developing countries will receive financial and technical support from the financial entity of the Convention in order to conclude the preparation of their national reports.
* At the end of paragraph 2 there is the need to include the following wording: The eight national report will fully integrate the financial and other means of implementation to be provided through the mechanisms of the CBD to developing countries, which will be informed in a case by case basis, in accordance to article 20 of the Convention.
* In the third paragraph, after the first sentence, is necessary to add the following wording: (…) taken to implement the Convention. The reports will provide the necessary contextualization of the national strategies for implementing the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, highlighting the approaches, visions and models of the country to achieve the goals and targets, in accordance with its national circumstances and priorities.
* At the end of fourth paragraph is needed to introduce the following wording: (…) reporting, clearly identifying the financial and means of implementation gaps to achieve the 2030 national targets.

In paragraph seven, when the structure and format of the seventh and eight national reports is highlighted, there is the need to include a new section VI named as follows: Assessment of finance and means of implementation gaps to achieve the 2030 action targets. |
| Please use the table below to provide any specific comments on the template:  |
| **Section** | **Comment** |
| I | Please include comments or specific suggestions for Section I. Executive summary of the seventh and eighth national reports.* There is the need to introduce a new first row, as follows: Identification and description of the approaches, visions and models of the country to achieve the goals and targets, in accordance with its national circumstances and priorities (suggested word count: 300-500 words.
* Also, a last row is needed highlighting the following: Articulation with other national and subnational planning instruments (100-300 words).
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| II | Please include comments or specific suggestions for Section II. Brief overview of the process of preparation of the report* In this section there is the need to add a new bullet as follows: Support provided by the entities and mechanisms of the CBD in the preparation of this report.
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| III | Please include comments or specific suggestions for Section III. Status of the updated or revised NBSAP in the light of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (This section is for the seventh national report only)  |
| IV | Please include comments or specific suggestions for Section IV. Assessment of progress towards the 2050 goals of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework* There is a disconnection between the umbrella paragraph, which request and assessment of progress, and the headline of the second column which is related to the value of headline indicators. Maybe there is the need to put first the value of headline indicators and a new column would introduce the assessment of progress.
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| V | Please include comments or specific suggestions for Section V. Progress towards the 2030 action targets* At the end two additional rows are needed. A first row will introduce the following headline: Please provide a description of conditional and/or unconditional finance and means of implementation to address this target (considering finance, technological transfer and capacity building). This should note in the second column the following: (pre-filled from submission of national targets).
* The second last row should include: Please provide comments on the adequate and timely access to finance and means of implementation through the CBD entities and mechanisms (100 to 300 words).
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| **VI** | **A NEW SECTION VI IS NEEDED, AS FOLLOWING:** Please use the following template to report on the overall means of implementation to achieve the 2030 action targets, aggregating previous individual information filled out by each target (conditional and unconditional). Information must be filled out in the following three columns.* Total financial amount calculated to achieve the target (conditional and unconditional).
* Total financial amount received by financial entities of the convention (sum financial support/technological transfer/capacity building) to achieve the conditional part of the target.
* Total amount needed (in the following years) to achieve the conditional part of the target.
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