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Twenty-first meeting
Montreal, Canada, 11-14 December 2017
Item 2 of the provisional agenda*

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

INTRODUCTION

1. The twenty-first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) established under Article 25 of the Convention will be held in Montreal, Canada, at the Palais des Congrès, from 11 to 14 December 2017. Registration of participants will commence at 10 a.m. on Sunday, 10 December 2017.
2. The purpose of the present document is to facilitate preparations for the meeting by Parties and observers.

ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

3. The meeting will be opened at 10 a.m. on 11 December 2017. Statements will be made by the Chair of SBSTTA and the Executive Secretary.

ITEM 2. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Election of officers

4. Pursuant to rule 26, paragraph 3, of its rules of procedure, the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting, held in Cancun, Mexico, in December 2016, elected Ms. Theresa Mundita S. Lim (Philippines) Chair of the Subsidiary Body for a term of office extending until the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
5. Following the elections held at the nineteenth and twentieth meetings of the Subsidiary Body, the composition of the Bureau of the twenty-first meeting of the Subsidiary Body, in addition to its Chair, will be as follows: Ms. Eugenia Arguedas Montezuma (Costa Rica), Ms. Lourdes Coya de la Fuente (Cuba), Mr. Hendrik Segers (Belgium), Mr. Norbert Bärlocher (Switzerland), Ms. Prudence Tangham Galega (Cameroon), Mr. Samuel Dieme (Senegal), Mr. Yousef S. Al-Hafedh (Saudi Arabia), Mr. Aleksandar Mijović (Montenegro) and Mr. Sergiy I. Gubar (Ukraine).
6. In order to have staggered terms of office within the Bureau, the Subsidiary Body will elect five new members to serve on the Bureau for a term commencing at the end of the twenty-first meeting and

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ending at the close of the twenty-third meeting in order to replace the members from Switzerland, Cuba, Cameroon, Montenegro and Samoa.

Adoption of agenda and organization of work

7. The draft provisional agenda for the twenty-first meeting of the Subsidiary Body has been prepared by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Bureau.¹

8. The Subsidiary Body will be invited to consider the provisional agenda for its twenty-first meeting (CBD/SBSTTA/21/1) for adoption and to agree on the proposed organization of work (CBD/SBSTTA/21/1/Add.1, annex I). The twenty-first meeting of the Subsidiary Body will be held in conjunction with the tenth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Inter-Sessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions, as reflected in the organization of work.

9. In line with the budget adopted by the Conference of the Parties,² it is proposed that all agenda items be considered in plenary (see annex I). Selected agenda items may be introduced by a keynote presentation or a panel of experts in line with decisions of the Conference of the Parties and taking into account experience from the seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth meetings of the Subsidiary Body.³

10. A list of pre-session documents for the meeting is provided in annex II. As appropriate, the documents, including those that contain scientific assessments, will be peer reviewed.

ITEM 3. SCENARIOS FOR THE 2050 VISION FOR BIODIVERSITY AND LINKS BETWEEN THE AICHI BIODIVERSITY TARGETS AND THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

11. According to the multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties adopted through decision XII/31, the Conference of the Parties will consider, at its fourteenth meeting, “the long-term strategic directions to the 2050 Vision for biodiversity”. “Living in harmony with nature” where “By 2050, biodiversity is valued, conserved, restored and wisely used, maintaining ecosystem services, sustaining a healthy planet and delivering benefits essential for all people”.⁴ The Subsidiary Body may assist the Conference of the Parties in preparing for this item, which is envisaged to contribute to the preparation of the follow-up to the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and related means of implementation, including resource mobilization, which is due to be considered by the Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth meeting, in 2020.⁵

12. In paragraph 35 of decision XIII/1, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to prepare a further assessment, including a gap analysis, on the relationship between the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and the Sustainable Development Goals, for the consideration of SBSTTA.

13. The Subsidiary Body will have before it a note by the Executive Secretary, prepared in collaboration with a range of partners, providing biodiversity-related scenarios and other scientific and technical information, including that drawn from work prepared for third and fourth editions of the *Global*

¹ At its twelfth meeting, the Conference of the Parties established the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and specified that the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice should carry out their respective functions taking into account their role and functions with a view to ensuring complementarity in their work and avoiding overlap (see decision XII/26, annex). This will be taken fully into account in the preparation for the various agenda items.

² See decision XIII/32.

³ Detailed plans will be developed in consultation with the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and will be communicated to Parties well ahead of the meeting, together with the names of presenters and the scope of the presentations.

⁴ The 2050 Vision, adopted in decision X/2 as part of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity is “Living in harmony with nature” where “By 2050, biodiversity is valued, conserved, restored and wisely used, maintaining ecosystem services, sustaining a healthy planet and delivering benefits essential for all people”.

⁵ See UNEP/CBD/COP/12/26.

Biodiversity Outlook (CBD/SBSTTA/21/2), complemented by an assessment of the links between elements of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the targets under the Sustainable Development Goals, drawing on information available from previous analyses (CBD/SBSTTA/21/2/Add.1).

14. The Subsidiary Body is invited to consider these documents and to provide conclusions and recommendations for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its second meeting and the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth meeting, as appropriate.

ITEM 4. SUSTAINABLE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT: GUIDANCE FOR ACHIEVING A MORE SUSTAINABLE BUSHMEAT SECTOR

15. Recognizing that considerable work had been done under the Convention on ways to improve the sustainability of wildlife management, including the harvesting of bushmeat, the Conference of the Parties noted, in decision XIII/8, that the issue of sustainable use of wildlife intersects with other sectors, and that a strategic and broad approach is needed to address these issues, invited Parties to make use of a road map that had been presented to the XIV World Forestry Congress in Durban, South Africa, in September 2015, when developing and implementing their national biodiversity strategies and action plans.

16. The Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with other members of the Collaborative Partnership on Sustainable Wildlife Management, to further elaborate technical guidance for better governance towards a more sustainable bushmeat sector, and to undertake, subject to the availability of resources, some additional activities to enhance institutional capacities on wildlife conservation and law enforcement.

17. Under this item, the Subsidiary Body will have before it a note by the Executive Secretary (CBD/SBSTTA/21/3) providing a progress report on these matters and technical guidance for better governance towards a more sustainable bushmeat sector. It will be developed taking into account the Conventions plan of action on customary sustainable use.

18. The Subsidiary Body is expected to consider this information and prepare recommendations for the Conference of the Parties, at its fourteenth meeting. The recommendations are also expected to be taken into account by the Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions at its tenth meeting.

ITEM 5. BIODIVERSITY AND HUMAN HEALTH

19. The Conference of the Parties considered the interlinkages between biodiversity and human health at its twelfth and thirteenth meetings (decisions XII/21 and XIII/6, respectively). In this respect, decision XIII/6 provides Parties and other actors with guidance on the basis of the joint publication of the World Health Organization and the Secretariat: *Connecting Global Priorities: Biodiversity and Human Health, a State of Knowledge Review*.

20. In decision XIII/6, paragraph 10, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to collaborate with the World Health Organization and other relevant organizations, through the interagency liaison group on biodiversity and human health co-convened by the Secretariat and the World Health Organization, to promote and facilitate the implementation of decision XIII/6 through, among other things, the dissemination of the *State of Knowledge Review*, the development of toolkits and good practice guides, and support to capacity-building, and the tasks set out in paragraph 9 of decision XII/21. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to prepare technical guidance to support the consideration of biodiversity and ecosystem management in the application of the “One Health” approach, and to submit a report to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice.

21. Under this item, the Subsidiary Body will have before it a note by the Executive Secretary (CBD/SBSTTA/21/4) providing a progress report on these matters and technical guidance to support consideration of biodiversity and ecosystem management in the application of the “One Health”

approach. The full report of the Interagency Liaison Group on Biodiversity and Health on its first meeting will be provided as an information document.

22. The conclusions and recommendations of the Subsidiary Body on this item may also contribute to the consideration of the Conference of the Parties, at its fourteenth meeting, on the mainstreaming of biodiversity within and across sectors, including the health sector.

23. The Subsidiary Body is expected to consider the information and provide advice and recommendations to the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

ITEM 6. MAINSTREAMING OF BIODIVERSITY INTO THE SECTORS OF ENERGY AND MINING, INFRASTRUCTURE, MANUFACTURING AND PROCESSING INDUSTRY, AND HEALTH: SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS AND USE OF THE PROGRAMMES OF WORK OF THE CONVENTION

24. At its thirteenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties adopted a comprehensive decision on mainstreaming and the integration of biodiversity within and across sectors (decision XIII/3). In addition, the high-level segment of the United Nations Biodiversity Conference, held in Cancun, Mexico, in 2016, adopted the Cancun Declaration (UNEP/CBD/COP/13/24). The decision provided guidance to Parties on a number of matters, and also requested the Executive Secretary to continue collaboration with a number of partners. In this meeting, the Conference of the Parties focussed on the sectors of agriculture, forestry, fisheries and tourism. It decided to focus on the sectors of energy and mining, infrastructure, manufacturing and processing, and health at its fourteenth meeting. The Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, as well as the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, may assist the Conference of the Parties in preparation for its consideration of these issues.

25. In the same decision, the Conference of Parties requested the Executive Secretary, to present options to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, at a meeting prior to the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties on how to make the best use of existing programmes of work to further enhance the implementation of the Convention in the light of mainstreaming needs and of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 (decision XIII/3, para. 107).

26. Under this item, the Subsidiary Body will have before it a note by the Executive Secretary (CBD/SBSTTA/21/5) identifying key scientific and technical matters relevant to the mainstreaming of biodiversity in these sectors, and noting the relevant elements of the existing programmes of work. Additional details will be provided in information documents as needed.

27. The Subsidiary Body is expected to consider this information and prepare recommendations for the Conference of the Parties, and as appropriate, the Subsidiary Body on Implementation.

ITEM 7. FIFTH EDITION OF THE *GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY OUTLOOK*

28. At its thirteenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties decided to initiate the preparation of the fifth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook*, and outlined its purpose, contents and inputs (decision XIII/29, para. 1). It requested the Executive Secretary to prepare a workplan and proposed budget for the preparation of the fifth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* as well as a joint communication strategy (para. 3), and also requested the preparation of a second edition of the *Local Biodiversity Outlooks: Indigenous Peoples' and Local Communities' Contributions to the Implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020*, subject to the availability of financial resources (para. 2).

29. The Subsidiary Body will have before it a workplan and proposed budget for the preparation, in collaboration with a range of partners, of the fifth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* (CBD/SBSTTA/21/6). The document will include a summary of a communication strategy prepared jointly with the secretariats of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) and biodiversity-related conventions. The complete joint communication strategy will

be available as information document. Another information document will be made available to report on progress with regard to the preparation of the second edition of the *Local Biodiversity Outlooks*.

30. The Subsidiary Body is expected to review the draft workplan, proposed budget and draft communication strategy for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth meeting.

ITEM 8. TOOLS FOR EVALUATING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF POLICY INSTRUMENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR BIODIVERSITY 2011-2020

31. One of the functions of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, as set out in article 25 of the Convention, is to “Prepare scientific and technical assessments of the effects of types of measures taken in accordance with the provisions of [the] Convention”.

32. In decision XIII/1, paragraphs 29 and 30, the Conference of the Parties encouraged Parties to undertake evaluations of the effectiveness of measures undertaken to implement the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and requested the Executive Secretary to compile and analyse this information and to report to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body on Implementation.

33. The Subsidiary Body will have before it a document on methodologies applied towards evaluations of the effectiveness of measures or policy instruments, including on experiences and lessons learned in their application (CBD/SBSTTA/21/7).

34. The Subsidiary Body is expected to review this information, including in the context of their potential use in the completion of the sixth national reports to the Convention, and to prepare recommendations for the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the Conference of the Parties, appropriate.

ITEM 9. NEW AND EMERGING ISSUES

35. As provided in the modus operandi of the Subsidiary Body (decision VIII/10, annex III), one of the functions of the Subsidiary Body is to “identify new and emerging issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.”

36. In accordance with the procedure in decision IX/29, the Executive Secretary invited, through a notification,⁶ a new round of submissions of proposals for new and emerging issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and the fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from the use of genetic resources. The Subsidiary Body may wish to review and discuss the proposals in the context of this item and, as appropriate, recommend adding to the agenda of one of its future meetings those new and emerging issues which meet the criteria from decision IX/29.

37. Under this item, the Subsidiary Body will have before it a note by the Executive Secretary (CBD/SBSTTA/21/8) containing pertinent information.

38. The Subsidiary Body is expected to review this information and prepare recommendations for the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth meeting.

ITEM 10. OTHER MATTERS

39. Under this item, participants will be invited to raise other matters of relevance to the meeting.

ITEM 11. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

40. Under this item, the Subsidiary Body will consider and adopt its report. In accordance with established practice, the Subsidiary Body is invited to authorize the Rapporteur to complete the final report after the meeting, with the guidance of the Chair and the assistance of the Secretariat.

⁶ Notification 2015-017 (Ref. No. SCBD/SAM/DC/RH/84326), February 2014.

ITEM 12. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

41. The twenty-first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice is scheduled to close at 6 p.m. on Thursday, 14 December 2017.

Annex I

**PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST MEETING OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODY ON
SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE**

	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Monday 11 December 2017	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening of the meeting 2. Organizational matters 3. Scenarios for the 2050 Vision for biodiversity, and links between the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and the Sustainable Development Goals 8. Tools for evaluating the effectiveness of policy instruments for the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Sustainable wildlife management: guidance for achieving a more sustainable bushmeat sector 5. Biodiversity and human health 6. Mainstreaming of biodiversity into the sectors of energy and mining, infrastructure, and manufacturing and processing industry, and health: scientific and technical considerations and use of the programmes of work of the Convention.
Tuesday 12 December 2017	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Fifth edition of the <i>Global Biodiversity Outlook</i> 9. New and emerging issues. 	<i>Consideration of conference room papers</i>
Wednesday 13 December 2017	No session of SBSTTA (session of WG8J-10)	<i>Consideration of conference room papers</i> 10. Other matters
Thursday 14 December 2017	No session of SBSTTA (session of WG8J-10)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Adoption of the report 12. Closure of the meeting

*Annex II***LIST OF WORKING DOCUMENTS**

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>
CBD/SBSTTA/21/1	Revised provisional agenda	2
CBD/SBSTTA/21/1/Add.1	Annotated provisional agenda	2
CBD/SBSTTA/21/2	Scenarios for the 2050 Vision for biodiversity	3
CBD/SBSTTA/21/2/Add.1	Links between the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and the Sustainable Development Goals	3
CBD/SBSTTA/21/3	Sustainable wildlife management: guidance for achieving a more sustainable bush meat sector	4
CBD/SBSTTA/21/4	Biodiversity and human health	5
CBD/SBSTTA/21/5	Mainstreaming of biodiversity into the sectors of energy and mining, infrastructure, and manufacturing and processing industry, and health: Scientific and technical considerations and use of the programmes of work of the Convention	6
CBD/SBSTTA/21/6	Fifth edition of the <i>Global Biodiversity Outlook</i>	7
CBD/SBSTTA/21/7	Tools to evaluate the effectiveness of policy instruments for the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020	8
CBD/SBSTTA/21/8	New and emerging issues	9
