NOTIFICATION

Thematic consultation on marine and coastal biodiversity for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework
6-8 November 2019 – Montreal, Canada

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the Secretariat will convene a thematic consultation on marine and coastal biodiversity for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework from 6 to 8 November 2019 in Montreal, Canada. The consultation is being convened as a component of the 2020 Ocean Pathways Week, (4 to 8 November 2019), and is being organized with financial support from the Government of Sweden.

The purpose of this notification is to invite Parties, other Governments, relevant organizations and indigenous peoples and local communities to nominate experts to participate in this consultation.

This consultation is intended to elicit views on elements related to marine and coastal biodiversity for inclusion in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. The outputs of this consultation will form the basis of a report and which will serve as input to the formal process and deliberations under the Convention on the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

Parties, other Governments, relevant organizations and indigenous peoples and local communities are invited to nominate one expert to participate in the post-2020 thematic consultation. Nominations should include the name and full contact details of the nominee/s and should be submitted via an official letter addressed to the Executive Secretary and signed, respectively, by the National Focal Point or head of the organization/initiative. All nominations must be accompanied by a curriculum vitae clearly indicating the areas of expertise and experience of the nominee. Nominations should be sent as soon as possible, but no later than 15 August 2019 via e-mail to secretariat@cbd.int or via fax to +1 514 288-6588.

Participants will be selected from among nominees based on relevant expertise and experience, taking into account gender balance and equitable geographical representation. The selected nominees from eligible Parties and limited number of Indigenous People and Local Communities will receive financing from the Secretariat to facilitate their participation in the consultation. The meeting will be conducted in English.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points; SBSTTA Focal Points; Marine and Coastal Biodiversity Focal Points; relevant organizations; indigenous peoples and local communities