

**NOTIFICATION**  
**Secretariat Events at UNEA-5.2**

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to inform Parties and observers of the Secretariat's activities on the margins of the resumed fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-5.2) that will be held from 28 February to 2 March 2022 and the Special Session devoted to the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the creation of the UN Environment Programme (UNEP@50), from 3 to 4 March 2022.

On Tuesday, 1 March 2022, from 18:15 to 19:45 local time (that is East Africa Time 'EAT', UTC+3), the Secretariat will host a Flagship Side Event on *Delivering the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework: Facilitating Early, Effective and Inclusive Implementation*. Bringing together high-level representatives from governments, the UN system, the financial and private sector, indigenous peoples and local communities, and civil society, the event will highlight how actors across government and society can contribute to ensuring the effective and immediate implementation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework in an inclusive manner once it is adopted in Kunming. More information on this event, including the programme, is available on the [event webpage](#). Participants may register using the following link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/493345790532046351>. The event will be held in English. It will be streamed live, and a recording will be made available on the CBD website.

The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity will also be co-hosting a side event on *Mapping Nature for the SDGs*, on Wednesday, 2 March 2022, from 18:15 to 19:45 EAT, together with the Ministry of Environment and Energy of Costa Rica (MINAE), Impact Observatory (IO), the National Environment Management Authority of Uganda (NEMA), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the UN Environment Programme (UNEP), and the UN Environment Programme World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC). This side event will explore how spatial insights from the [UN Biodiversity Lab \(UNBL\)](#) can be used to support governments and other stakeholders to facilitate the implementation of nature-based solutions to support the achievement of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and the 2030 Agenda. Participants may register using the following link: <https://undp.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0rdOGqjwiGtbtVshGS2y5yW6vgzmmti21>. The event will be held in English and Spanish.

In addition, several partner organizations are convening events of particular relevance to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework at UNEA-5.2. These include the following:

- *Side Event: Reimagining Conservation – Integrating Human Rights in the Development and Implementation of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework*, to be held on Monday, 28 February 2022, from 13:15 to 14:45 EAT, online;
- *Leadership Dialogue with the Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)*, to be held on Tuesday, 1 March 2022, from 15:00 to 16:30 EAT in UNON Conference Room 1, Nairobi & online;
- *Leadership Dialogue: Strengthening Action for Nature to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals*, to be held on Wednesday, 2 March 2022, from 11:30 to 13:00 EAT, UNON Conference Room 1, Nairobi & online;
- *Flagship Side Event: Time for Action – Integrated efforts for a healthy planet and people*, to be held on Wednesday, 2 March 2022, from 18:15 to 19:45 EAT, Nairobi & online.

To: CBD National Focal Points, SBSTTA Focal Points, ABS Focal Points, Nagoya Protocol Focal Points, PoWPA Focal Points, Marine and Coastal Biodiversity Focal Points, Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities, and relevant organizations

Your participation in these events is encouraged and you are kindly invited to consult the [UNEA-5.2 website](#) for latest updates and registration information. I thank you for your cooperation and continued support to the Convention, as well as for your contributions towards the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

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

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Executive Secretary