



NOTIFICATION
Regional Dialogue on National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans for
Latin America
25-28 June 2024 – Lima, Peru

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am pleased to advise that the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment of Peru, is organizing a regional dialogue on National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) for Latin America. The Dialogue will be held from 25 to 28 June 2024 in Lima, Peru, and will be hosted by the United Nations Development Programme, Peru.

This NBSAP Dialogue is part of a series of regional and sub-regional dialogues being convened by the Secretariat in 2023 and 2024 to facilitate the sharing of experiences and mutual learning related to the updating and revision of NBSAPs, including national targets, in alignment with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF), as requested by the Conference of the Parties in [decision 15/6](#). The Dialogues are being convened with the generous financial support of the Government of Japan, through the Japan Biodiversity Fund, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Government of Denmark and the European Union.

The NBSAP Dialogue for Latin America will include sessions on experiences and lessons learned in revising or updating NBSAPs, including national target revision or setting, whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches, the integration of the Cartagena and Nagoya Protocols and other relevant multilateral environmental agreements into the NBSAP, and the development of a national monitoring plan for the NBSAP. The Dialogue will also include dedicated discussions in breakout groups on (i) capacity-building and development and (ii) national biodiversity financing. The lessons learned, challenges and opportunities will serve as an input in the further piloting of an open-ended forum for voluntary country review of implementation under the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, pursuant to decision 15/6.

I therefore invite each Party concerned to nominate up to two representatives to attend. It is advised that one nominee is the national focal point for the Convention or a government official who is responsible for leading the process of revising and updating the NBSAP, and the second nominee is directly involved in supporting the NBSAP process and in the development of means of implementation, such as capacity-building and development, and resource mobilization. In submitting nominations, Parties are encouraged to give consideration to the full range of national stakeholders, including the focal points of the Cartagena and Nagoya Protocols.

Nomination letters should be signed by the national focal point of the Convention or the Head of the competent authority. In addition, an online nomination form, available at <https://forms.office.com/e/hH1dheGERM> must be completed for each nominee, describing relevant expertise and experience. The number of participants is limited. The selection of experts to attend will be done to ensure a balanced participation in the breakout groups, taking into account relevant expertise as well as gender and geographic representation. The nominations should be sent to secretariat@cbd.int as soon as possible and **no later than 7 May 2024**.

To: National focal points for CBD and its Protocols of the following countries: Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)



Participants eligible for funding will be provided with travel, accommodation, meals and a daily subsistence allowance for incidental costs in accordance with UN rules. Information and documents relevant to the NBSAP Dialogue will be made available in due course. The NBSAP Dialogue will be conducted in Spanish.

To contribute to the NBSAP Dialogue, the Secretariat may also invite a limited number of representatives of United Nations agencies, organizations that represent indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth, or other stakeholders, that are relevant to the GBF implementation in the region.

I look forward to receiving nominations from Parties at the earliest opportunity.

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

(Signed) David **Cooper**
Acting Executive Secretary