

NOTIFICATION**Relevant information on non-monetary benefit-sharing indicators collected globally for national reporting under the Convention on Biological Diversity**

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework includes Goal C and Target 13, which addresses access and benefit-sharing from the utilization of genetic resources, associated traditional knowledge and digital sequence information. It is accompanied by a detailed monitoring framework that contains a set of agreed indicators (decisions [15/5](#) and [16/31](#)) to track progress towards the Goals and Targets of the Framework.

Agreed indicator C.2 measures non-monetary benefits arising from applicable international access and benefit-sharing instruments. The corresponding [metadata sheet](#) contains details on the different types of non-monetary benefits measured, and the methodology for collecting information. It also specifies that for the three types of non-monetary benefits, information would be collected globally, following the methodology developed by the Leibniz Institute DSMZ, and subsequently pre-populated into national reports.

In this regard, I am pleased to inform you that, thanks to the generous contribution of the European Union, and the efforts undertaken by the Leibniz Institute DSMZ, work is underway to facilitate the availability of national information for reporting on the following indicators: i) number of research and development results arising from ABS instruments; ii) number of joint scientific publications arising from ABS instruments with authors from the provider country, where appropriate; and iii) number of scientific publications relevant to conservation, sustainable use, food security, and public health arising from ABS instruments

If your country issues ABS permits or their equivalents, I encourage you to publish the permit information as internationally recognized certificates of compliance on the ABS Clearing-House. Publishing certificates facilitates monitoring benefit-sharing and ensure that data for your country on relevant non-monetary benefit-sharing is collected and reflected in the project website <https://nmbs.dsmz.de/>. Nevertheless, if your country has issued ABS permits and there is no indicator data available on the website, you are encouraged to contact the Leibniz Institute DSMZ at nmbs@dsmz.de to determine next steps to ensure that your data is collected.

All country data collected will be made available by the end of the year as draft information in the national report on the CBD website (<https://ort.cbd.int/>). This will allow countries to review and provide input before final submission, and therefore, enabling reporting on progress towards Goal C of the Framework.

To assist countries in publishing internationally recognized certificates of compliance and understanding their importance for reporting on non-monetary benefit-sharing, the Secretariat is organizing a dedicated webinar on 17 December 2025 at 10 a.m. (EDT) in English. You can register to the webinar at: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/b3a42302-d135-4191-85f8-36ce983549f4@0f9e35db-544f-4f60-bdcc-5ea416e6dc70>.

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

(Signed) Astrid Schomaker
Executive Secretary

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