

NOTIFICATION

Invitation to participate in the peer review of the draft documents related to the development of indicators, metrics and progress measurement tools on Biodiversity and Health

Dear Sir or Madam,

In its decision [16/19](#), the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity requested the Executive Secretary to complete the work conducted pursuant to paragraph 13 (a) of decision [14/4](#) on the development of integrated science-based indicators, metrics and progress measurement tools on biodiversity and health, taking account of section III, including its paragraph 14, of the annex to the present decision, among others.

Accordingly, the Secretariat has engaged expert support for the development of the following documents:

i.) Steps and methodology for the development of an indicator, metrics and progress measurement tool on biodiversity and health; ii.) Annex I: compilation of existing indicators for monitoring of biodiversity and health interlinkages and iii.) Annex II: composite indicator on the mainstreaming of biodiversity and health interlinkages. The draft documents for peer review are available for download [here](#).

To support this work, I am pleased to invite Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations and stakeholders to participate in a peer review of the draft documents. Submissions from Parties should be made through the relevant national focal point to the Convention, and those from accredited observers through the head of the organization.

Kindly submit your review comments to the Secretariat using [this template](#), through the clearing-house mechanism using [this link](#), or by e-mail to secretariat@cbd.int, as soon as possible, but no later than **30 April 2026**. Please note that only those comments submitted using the template will be considered. The template comprises of three sections, with one section dedicated for comments on each of the three draft documents.

I thank you for your cooperation in this matter and your continued support to the work of the Convention.

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

(Signed) Astrid Schomaker
Executive Secretary

To: CBD national focal points, SBSTTA focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations

cc: Cartagena Protocol national focal points, ABS national focal points