

**TEMPLATE FOR COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL VIEWS ON THE PROPOSALS FOR A
COMPREHENSIVE AND PARTICIPATORY PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE
POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK**

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Comments on the draft proposal: “PROPOSALS FOR A COMPREHENSIVE AND PARTICIPATORY PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK”		
Page #	Para #	Comment
0	0	The document is very good and will be extremely useful for Parties for their discussions on a post-2020 strategic plan for biodiversity at SBI-2. However, care should be taken at this early juncture to not pre-judge future discussions amongst Parties on the possible substance and content of a post-2020 strategic plan for biodiversity.
1	1	“adopt a the post 2020 global biodiversity framework”
2	9	Parties have not yet decided if the five goals remain relevant. This decision should not be pre-judged through this text.
5	20	While SBSTTA-21 decided on a recommendation that the 2050 Vision remains relevant, this has not yet been decided upon by Parties. I would suggest using “may remain relevant” instead of “will remain relevant”.
6	24	“should serve as a form...”
6	24	The purpose of Notification 2017-052 was to request Parties and stakeholders to “contribute to the development of the process for the preparation of the post-2020 biodiversity framework”. While we understand that some Parties took the opportunity to provide some initial views on possible elements and substance of a global biodiversity framework, the Secretariat, in the documents it produces, should be careful to keep focus on the intended outputs of Notification 2017-052, focusing on suggestions from Parties and stakeholders on the process for the preparation of the post-2020 framework. Paragraphs 24 and 27 focus on content suggestions, which were beyond the scope of the Notification, and pre-judge discussions which have not yet been launched by Parties.
7	27	See comment on paragraph 24.
9	37	While the concept of voluntary national commitments is interesting and deserving of further discussion and analysis amongst Parties, we need to be careful of timing. It is doubtful that Parties would be in a position to pledge commitments early in the post-2020 process, or even before the Strategic Plan is adopted at COP15 in 2020.
9	39b	We strongly agree with ensuring that the post-2020 process should be gender sensitive, but also think that the document needs further information on how this will be achieved. How will the post-2020 process ensure that the different views of women and children?

13	Annex Table 1	<p>See comment on page 9, para. 37.</p> <p>Para 31 notes that the post-2020 framework should be informed by lessons learned, as well as reviews of national strategies and action plans, and information on effectiveness. We see a bit of a time lag issue here. Much of this information will be acknowledged and received well past the discussions on a post 2020 framework, because countries - including Canada - are still working on achieving their 2011-2020 targets. It would therefore likely be too early to ask Parties to provide initial views on the post-2020 global biodiversity framework from August – October 2018. It would be particularly challenging to ask Parties for voluntary commitments at this early stage.</p> <p>“March 2020 – “Draft updated the post-2020...”</p> <p>“May-June 2020 – SBSTTA-24 considers the draft <u>the</u> post 2020...”</p>
14	Annex Table 1	<p>“post 2020 global biodiversity framework”</p>

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