

Expert Workshop

Towards a gender-responsive post-2020 global biodiversity framework

11 – 12 April 2019

Venue: UN-Women Headquarters

Daily News Building, 220 East 42nd Street, New York, 19th floor

Workshop Objectives

This expert workshop will focus on developing possible objectives, key messages, and substantive elements of a gender-responsive post-2020 global biodiversity framework. It will also consider steps for enhanced gender-responsive implementation.

The main outcome of the workshop will be a report providing key messages and recommendations for reflecting gender issues in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, for dissemination to Parties and other stakeholders. The report will be an input to:

1. submissions by Parties and observers to the CBD on the preparatory process for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework;
2. sub-regional, regional and global consultations on, and negotiations of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework scheduled for 2019-2020; and
3. the CBD Secretariat's post-2020 discussion paper for consideration of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

The workshop report and written inputs provided by participants will also serve as resources for the review of the implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action and contribute to the fifth Global Biodiversity Outlook and the second edition of the Local Biodiversity Outlooks.

DAY 1 – Thursday 11 April		
08.30 -9.00	Registration	
Workshop Chair: Lorena Aguilar, Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs, Costa Rica; Convenor of For All Coalition for Gender Equality and Human Rights		
9.00 – 9.40	SESSION I. OPENING AND INTRODUCTIONS Facilitator: Verona Collantes	
	Introductory remarks	Lorena Aguilar, Workshop Chair
	Introductory remarks	Christine Brautigam UN-Women
	Introductory remarks	Tanya McGregor CBD Secretariat
	Remembering Victor Tsang	
	Overview of the post-2020 process	Basile van Havre Co-chair, Open-Ended Working Group on the post-2020 process
9.40 – 9.55	Participant introductions	
9.55 – 10.05	Overview of the workshop and organization of work	Verona Collantes, UN Women
	SESSION II. GENDER EQUALITY AND BIODIVERSITY LINKAGES	
10.05 – 10.30	Reviewing knowledge and understanding and identifying gaps Chair: Lorena Aguilar	
	CBD Context, 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action, gender considerations in the Aichi Targets	Tanya McGregor CBD Secretariat
	SDGs context, overview of targets and indicators relevant to gender and biodiversity	Katherine Despot-Belmonte, UNEP/WCMC
	Discussions	
10.30 – 10.45	Coffee Break	
10.45-11.30	Gender Equality and Biodiversity Linkages: Thematic Discussions I Chair: Lorena Aguilar	
	Thematic Area 1: Forestry and Ecosystem Restoration The presentations will focus on: - Current status and challenges in regards to gender perspectives and women’s participation - Co-benefits of gender-responsive action - Key actions, strategies as well as targets and indicators for reflecting gender perspectives in forestry and ecosystem restoration	Iliana Monterroso, CIFOR Cate Owren, IUCN
	Thematic Area 2: Conservation approaches Presentation to focus on: Key gender issues and challenges, gender-responsive actions taken, and monitoring mechanisms in: - Protected Areas Management - Community based conservation	Francesca Booker, IIED Delfin Ganapin, WWF
	Q & A	
11.30-12.45	Gender Equality and Biodiversity Linkages -- Working Group I Facilitator: Hanna Paulose	
11.30-11.40	Facilitator provides guidance on the working group and expected output. Participants to form six groups, with two groups per theme: i) forestry, ii) ecosystem restoration and iii) conservation approaches	

11.40 – 12.45	Guidance/question: - What are some of the effective actions taken at global, regional and national levels to integrate a gender perspective in forestry and ecosystem restoration and in conservation approaches? (Examples: NBSAPS, National Reporting, best practices from other environmental processes etc.) - Provide up to 5 key recommendations or actions required for a better integration of a gender perspective in forestry, ecosystem restoration, and conservation approaches, in particular with respect to the relevant Aichi Targets (5, 7, 11). - The two groups considering the same topic will meet to consolidate their best practices and recommendations for ONE presentation at plenary	
12.45 – 13.05	Introduction to the Friends of Gender Equality Group – Vienna Pozer, Environment and Climate Change Canada; Shamiso Nagira Environmental Affairs Department Introduction to the For All Coalition – Lorena Aguilar, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Costa Rica Facilitator: Tanya McGregor	
13.10 – 14.10	Lunch	
14.10-15.00	Gender Equality and Biodiversity Linkages: Thematic Discussions II Chair: Lorena Aguilar	
	Thematic Area 3: Agrobiodiversity and Fisheries The presentations will focus on: - Current status and challenges in regards to gender perspectives and women’s participation - Co-benefits of gender-responsive action - Key actions, strategies as well as targets and indicators for reflecting gender perspectives in agriculture and fisheries	Szilvia Lehel, FAO; Chanda Goodrich, ICIMOD Afrina Choudhury, WorldFish
	Thematic Area 4: Genetic diversity and Indigenous, local community and rural women Presentation on genetic diversity to focus on: - Current status and challenges in regards to gender perspectives and women’s participation - Co-benefits of gender-responsive action - Key actions, strategies as well as targets and indicators for reflecting gender perspectives in conservation of genetic diversity Presentation on indigenous, local community and rural women to focus on: - Key gender equality challenges faced by women in indigenous communities and local women in regards to biodiversity loss/conservation and related ecosystems services - Progress made in ensuring access to resources for indigenous women - Mechanisms/approaches to ensure gender-responsive conservation activities in indigenous settings	Olga Hernandez, Humboldt Institute Thingreiphi Lungharwo, Naga Women’s Union
	Q & A	
15.00-15.15	Coffee Break	
15.15-16.30	Gender Equality and Biodiversity Linkages – Working Group II Facilitator: Sharon J Taylor	
15.15 – 15.25	Facilitator provides guidance on the working group and expected output. Participants to form six groups, with two groups per theme: i) agriculture, ii)	

	fisheries, and iii) genetic diversity and issues pertaining to indigenous, local community and rural women
15.25-16.30	Guidance/question: - What are some of the effective actions taken at global, regional and national levels to integrate a gender perspective in sustainable use and conservation efforts for agriculture, fisheries and genetic diversity, and in addressing key challenges faced by indigenous peoples, local communities and rural women in regards to biodiversity loss/conservation and related ecosystem services? (Examples: NBSAPS, National Reporting, best practices from other environmental processes etc.) - Provide up to 5 key recommendations or required actions for a better integration of a gender perspective in agriculture and fisheries (with attention to Aichi Targets 6 and 7); in the sustainable use and conservation of genetic diversity (with attention to Aichi Target 13); and for ensuring the adequate consideration of the rights, roles, voice, access and benefits of indigenous, local and rural women in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. - The two groups considering the same topic will meet to consolidate their best practices and recommendations for ONE presentation at plenary
16.30-17.20	Gender Equality and Biodiversity Linkages: Plenary discussion Chair: Lorena Aguilar
	6 group representatives will provide a 5-minute summary of their group's discussions on: - Key gender issues raised - Best practice examples in integrating gender perspectives - Key recommendations/required actions for a better reflection of gender perspectives in these areas The six groups by thematic areas are: i) forestry, ii) ecosystem restoration, iii) conservation approaches, iv) agriculture, v) fisheries, and vi) genetic diversity and issues pertaining to indigenous, local community and rural women Interactive discussion follows the presentations (20 minutes)
17.20 - 17.30	Wrap up and overview of Day 2 Tanya McGregor
18:00	Happy hour! Location to be provided at meeting

DAY 2 – Friday 12 April	
09.00 -09.20	Recap of Day 1 discussions and overview of agenda for Day 2 Chair: Lorena Aguilar
	SESSION III. GENDER-RESPONSIVE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK* Facilitator: Verona Collantes
9.20-9.30	Facilitator provides guidance on Working Group III and expected output.
9:30-10:30	Participants to form six groups and will elaborate on their recommendations/ proposed actions by: - indicating the scope of the recommendations – community, local, national, sub-regional, regional, global - identifying indicators to monitor progress in implementation - indicating sources for collecting data on the indicators
10.30-10.45	Coffee Break
10.45-11.45	SESSION IV. ENHANCED GENDER-RESPONSIVENESS IN IMPLEMENTATION:

	ENABLING FACTORS* Facilitator: Tanya McGregor
10:45 – 10:55	Facilitator provides guidance on Working Group IV and expected output. Participants to form six groups.
10:55 – 11:45	Guidance/questions: - What are key considerations to ensure that the post-2020 framework will contribute to enhanced benefits for women and girls? Discuss actions related to policy, programmes, capacity-building, resource mobilization, research, data and statistics, strategic, partnerships, monitoring and evaluation – at all levels – global, regional, sub-regional, national, local, community. Specify which are the relevant actors that need to be involved. <i>Note: Participants will be asked to continue working on the table (from Working Group III) and complete the enabling factors column</i> - Experts to share good practices and actions that have helped advance results for gender equality and biodiversity
11.45-12.45	Working Group III and IV Report Back Chair: Lorena Aguilar
	6 group representatives will provide a 5-minute summary of their group's discussions in WGs III and IV Interactive discussion
12.45-13.45	Lunch
13.45-14.45	Working Group V: Towards a gender-responsive post-2020 biodiversity framework Facilitator: Sharon J Taylor
	Participants to form 4 groups to discuss: - What could be the headline or top-level messages on gender equality and women's rights for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework? - What are gender-specific objectives to be achieved? - What are the key elements that should be addressed in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework for it to be gender-responsive? Or How can we operationalize or define gender-responsiveness in the context of biodiversity? Note that gender-responsive is one of the principles included in the decision on the post-2020 biodiversity framework. <i>Each group will identify 2 top-level messages; 2 objectives; 3 key gender-specific issues they would like to see addressed in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework</i>
14.45-15.00	Coffee Break
15.00-15.45	Vision for a gender-responsive post-2020 global biodiversity framework Chair: Lorena Aguilar
	Four group representatives will make a four-minute presentation of discussions on key messages and gender-specific objectives relevant to the post-2020 biodiversity framework Plenary will discuss and agree on top key messages, objective, gender-specific issues that will be endorsed by the group and will form part of the advocacy for a gender-responsive post-2020 global biodiversity framework
15.45-16.45	Strategizing for a gender-responsive post-2020 global biodiversity framework Chair: Lorena Aguilar
	Plenary discussion on the following issues: Channelling recommendations to inform the post-2020 process: who,

	when, where? • Mobilizing engagement: the role of different stakeholders. Who commits to do what? Role for Parties or groups of Parties (Friends of Gender Equality, For All Coalition); Role for women's organizations or network of organizations, youth organizations, indigenous groups, etc.); Role for the UN and the CBD Secretariat, others? • Coordinating across Conventions: How to ensure coordination with other conventions, processes - What are the next strategic meetings? What are the next steps? • Accelerating action: What are the priorities in terms of national level implementation?
16.45-17.15	Closing session Chair: Lorena Aguilar
	• Next steps • Closing Remarks

* The agenda for the morning of the second day was restructured to support participants in the review and identification of more specific gender actions for each of the thematic areas. A table of actions was prepared for participants drawing on inputs from day 1 and from responses to a questionnaire sent to participants in advance of the workshop. The table included gender actions and associated headings of scope, indicators, data sources, responsible stakeholders, relevant policy frameworks (existing and future), financial mechanisms and existing gaps in implementation. Participants were organized into small working groups on each thematic area (six groups in total, with agrobiodiversity and genetic diversity combined into one group) and were asked to review the table to determine which actions were relevant for their thematic area and what actions and other information could be added.