



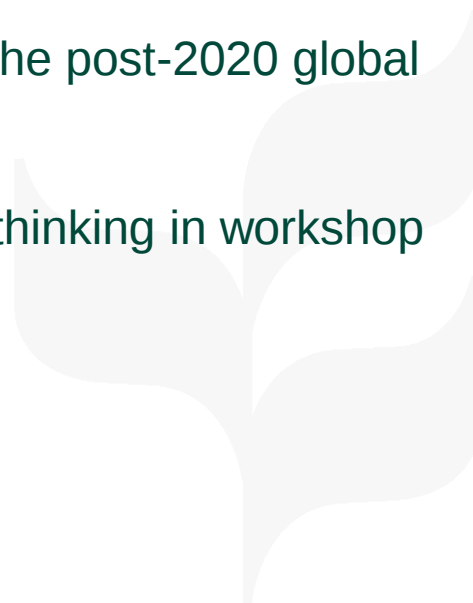
Towards a Gender-responsive Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework



Objectives



- Provide an overview of relevant gender elements of the Convention, including the Strategic Plan, Aichi Biodiversity Targets and Gender Plan of Action
- Review the mandate for addressing gender in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework
- Outline some relevant considerations to guide thinking in workshop discussions



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CBD Decisions – Gender and Women



Gender Plan of Action – 2008

2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action

Over 60 decisions with reference to gender or women, since COP 3 (1996)

- focus on women's participation, women as stakeholders
- importance of roles of women, gender roles, changed gender relationships
- take into account concerns and interests of women
- include gender perspectives, mainstream gender considerations

Biodiversity and climate change:

(XIII/4) – recognize that *gender-responsive approaches..* are critical ..

(XIV/5) – specific reference to *rural women*

Ecosystem restoration (XIII/5) – participation of women, recognizing that *women are powerful agents of change and their leadership is critical* in community revitalization and renewable natural resource management

Gender Linkages – Strategic Plan, Aichi Targets



Strategic Plan

- Requests Parties to mainstream gender considerations, where appropriate, in the implementation of the Plan
- Calls for capacity building on gender mainstreaming to be supported

Aichi Biodiversity Target 14 – By 2020, ecosystems that provide essential services, including related to water, contributing to health, livelihoods and well-being, are restored and safeguarded, ***taking into account the needs of women***, indigenous and local communities and the poor and vulnerable

COP 12 Decision XIII/7 Mainstreaming gender considerations

The Conference of the Parties,

1. *Recognizes the importance of gender considerations to the achievement of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets*

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2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action



Provides a framework for the Secretariat to take actions and proposals for Parties to integrate gender into their work under the CBD

Strategic Objectives:

- mainstream a gender perspective in implementation;
- promote gender equality;
- demonstrate the benefits of gender mainstreaming; and
- increase the effectiveness of the work under the CBD

The Plan sets out four spheres of action – Policy, Organisational, Delivery and Constituency – which outline possible mainstreaming actions to be undertaken by the Secretariat and Parties

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Proposed Objectives for Parties



Policy Sphere:

- **Mainstream gender into NBSAPs**
- Identify potential policy obstacles
- Ensure political will

Organizational Sphere:

- Provide adequate support to staff on gender issues
- Finance gender mainstreaming

Delivery Sphere:

- **Gain full and effective participation of men and women in implementation**
- **Consider women's and men's needs in design and implementation**

Constituency Sphere:

- Build partnerships, ensure consistency with relevant conventions
- Benefit from lessons learned and good practice examples from related sectors

Framework for Actions by the Secretariat



Policy Sphere:

- Make gender and biodiversity a strategic priority of the Convention

Organizational Sphere:

- Strengthen gender-specific capacities of all Secretariat staff

Delivery Sphere:

- Collect and disseminate information on gender and biodiversity
- Link gender, biodiversity and poverty eradication
- Establish the basis for Parties to integrate gender into national biodiversity planning

Constituency Sphere:

- Build partnerships and establish networks
- Build awareness of biodiversity issues among gender-related and women's organizations
- Build capacity of women, particularly indigenous women, to participate in processes and decision-making

NBSAPs, National Reporting



Reviews of **NBSAPs** - IUCN 1993-2016; Secretariat (Nov) 2010-2018

- around half with some reference to gender or women's issues
 - recent review – one third identified gender perspectives as part of national targets or related actions
 - Actions focused on i) increasing women's awareness of biodiversity conservation, and ii) increasing women's participation in biodiversity
 - Women characterized as 'vulnerable', in tandem with youth
 - Lack of involvement of women as stakeholders identified as a challenge/indirect driver
- Overall, gender has not been effectively mainstreamed in NBSAPs

5th National Reports

- 67% with some reference to gender or women
- Reporting guidelines did not include specific gender components

Mandate for a Gender-responsive Post-2020 Process



Comprehensive and Participatory process

Overarching principles – *gender responsive process*

- systematically integrating a gender perspective
- ensuring appropriate representation, particularly of women and girls

Efforts should be made to advance the collection, analysis and use of gender-sensitive data, including data disaggregated by sex

Key information sources – Review of implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action

[COP 14 decisions – 14/34; 14/18 (*Comprehensive and participatory process for the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework; Gender plan of action*)]

- Party and stakeholder submissions to the Secretariat on the post-2020 process highlight need for more attention to gender issues
- Alignment with the 2030 Agenda and SDGs, also Rio Conventions, which emphasize gender equality and women's empowerment as critical components

Gender and the Aichi Targets – Critical Actions



Gender-responsive measures to achieve the targets include to:

- Collect and apply sex-disaggregated data
- Carry out gender analysis and qualitative research to clarify differences in roles, values, behaviours
- Ensure equal rights to use, access, control and derive benefits
- Promote equal participation and decision-making power between women and men
- Take into account gender-differentiated knowledge, needs and priorities
- Allocate resources, including gender expertise and finance



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Guinea - Rural Women's Cooperative © UN Women/Joe Saade

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"Living in Harmony with Nature" where "By 2050, biodiversity is valued, conserved, restored and wisely used, maintaining ecosystem services, sustaining a healthy planet and delivering benefits essential for all people."



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Advancing Gender Equality post-2020



- Advice to enable a gender-responsive process for the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework ([CBD/COP/14/9/ADD1](#));
CBD/COP/14/INF/15
- Proposed expert group meeting – compilation of technical inputs
- Review of implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action

Requests the CBD ES ... to undertake a review of the implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action, in parallel to the development of the fifth edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook and the second edition of the Local Biodiversity Outlook, in order to identify gaps, best practices and lessons learned;

Also *requests* the ES ... to organize regional workshops on the linkages between gender and biodiversity, and the lessons learned from the implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action;

Further *requests* the ES, ... to include discussions on the linkages between gender and biodiversity, and the lessons learned from the implementation of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action within the regional consultations on the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

Draft decision text COP 14 -

<https://www.cbd.int/doc/c/2822/5119/ab7fef04c258c730c3bb43f3/cop-14-02-en.pdf>