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2030 ACTION TARGET 16
**ELIMINATE
UNSUSTAINABLE
CONSUMPTION**



THE POST 2020

GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

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<p>Target 16. Ensure that people are encouraged and enabled to make responsible choices and have access to relevant information and alternatives, taking into account cultural preferences, to reduce by at least half the waste and, where relevant the overconsumption, of food and other materials.</p>	
<p>Objective: Unsustainable consumption underlies each of the main direct drivers of biodiversity loss. Reaching the 2050 Vision will require that the use of biological resources does not exceed the capacity of the Earth to generate them. This will necessitate action across society, with governments having a particularly important role to play in creating an enabling environment for actions by the private sector and individuals.</p>	
<p>Component:</p>	<p>Indicators (Headline in bold)</p>
<p>Reduce waste and overconsumption – Sustainable consumption patterns can be achieved in two main ways. First, by improving efficiencies and reducing waste from current consumption patterns. Significant efforts are already ongoing to improve efficiencies and reducing waste, including by promoting circular economy approaches; however, the aggregated demand for resources continues to increase, and therefore the impacts of their use remain well above safe ecological limits. Therefore, the second important action will be putting in place measures and tools to reduce the overall demand for resources.</p>	<p>16.0.1 Food waste index (15.4.2 Recycling rate)</p>
<p>People have access to relevant information and alternatives – In addition to various measures and tools, to reduce the overall demand for resources, public access to relevant information and alternatives will be crucial in reducing overconsumption and steering people towards the use of more durable and sustainable goods and materials.</p>	<p>16.0.2 Material footprint per capita</p>
<p>Further explanation of target elements</p>	
<p>Responsible choices – Responsible choices are critical for eliminating unsustainable consumption patterns, and begin by ensuring people everywhere understand and appreciate the value of biodiversity. Encouraged and enabled – This could include promoting changes in consumer preferences for the amount and type of resources which are consumed, promoting the use of goods from sustainable sources, support for biodiversity friendly business practices, developing national procurement policies that are in line with the objectives of the Convention on Biological Diversity, and the development of methods to promote science-based information on biodiversity in consumer and producer decisions.</p>	
<p>Linkages</p>	
<p>Objectives of the CBD – conservation of biological diversity and sustainable use of the components of biological diversity</p>	
<p>Drivers of biodiversity loss – (all) land/sea use change, direct exploitation, climate change, pollution, invasive species</p>	
<p>GBF targets Reducing threats to biodiversity – T4 species recovery, T5 trade, harvest and use, T6 invasive species, T7 pollution (esp. plastic waste), T8 climate/ecosystem-based approaches Meeting people’s needs – T9 sustainable management of wild species & customary sustainable use, T10 managed/productive ecosystems, T11 nature’s contributions to people, T12 green and blue spaces Tools and solutions – T14 biodiversity values, T15 businesses, T18 harmful incentives, T19 means of implementation (esp. capacity-building), T20 traditional knowledge & education, T21 equitable participation and rights over resources</p>	
<p>Sustainable Development Goals Goal 2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture Goal 6: Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development</p>	

Goal 15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

[GBO-5 pathways](#)

Essential for the achievement of all transitions to sustainable pathways identified in GBO-5

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