# What does the global biodiversity framework mean for the world?

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### **Overview**

- Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
- Conference of the Parties (COP)
- Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF)
- National biodiversity strategies & action plans (NBSAPs)
  - $\rightarrow$  Discussion

# The CBD, its main deliverables and its meetings

- Multilateral environmental agreement
- 3 objectives
  - the conservation of biodiversity
  - the sustainable use of the components of biodiversity
  - the fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of the utilization of biodiversity
- Deliverables:
  - National biodiversity startegies and action plans (NBSAPs)
  - National reports
- Periodic Meetings of the Conference of the Parties (COP)
- Protocols
  - Access & benefit sharing
  - Biosafety



Convention on Biological Diversity

# **COP-15 and the global biodiversity framework**

- COP14 (2018) → COP15 (2022)
- Agenda items included:
  - <u>Decision 15/4</u> Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework
  - <u>Decision 15/5</u> ADVANCE UNEDITED: Monitoring framework for the **Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework**
  - <u>Decision 15/6</u> ADVANCE UNEDITED: Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting and review
  - <u>Decision 15/7</u> Resource mobilization
  - <u>Decision 15/8</u> Capacity-building and development and technical and scientific cooperation
  - <u>Decision 15/9</u> Digital sequence information on genetic resources



# The Global Biodiversity Framework: 4 goals

GOAL A: Conservation of ecosystem, species, and genetic diversity

GOAL B: Sustainable use

**GOAL C: Benefit sharing** 

GOAL D: Adequate means of implementation

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	DECISION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE P BIOLOGICAL DIVERSI	
	15/4. Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiv	versity Framework
	The Conference of the Parties,	
	Recalling its decision 14/34, in which it adopted the preparatory process for the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and decided to establish an open-ended intersessional working group to support its preparation, Noting the outcomes of the first, second, third, fourth and fifth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, of the regional and thematic consultations and workshops conducted based on decision 14/34 and of the intersessional work conducted on digital sequence information on genetic resources, <sup>1</sup> Noting also the outcomes of the eleventh meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(i) and Related Provisions, of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, <sup>2</sup>	
	Expressing its gratitude to the following Governmer consultations, as well as for their financial contributions: Aust Czechia, Kenya, European Union, Finland, France, Germany Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Republic of Korea, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Irel Union, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United N Programme, the United Nations Development Programme and To	tralia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Čanada, , Ireland, Italy, Japan, Malta, Monaco, , Serbia, Slovakia, South Africa, Sweden, Iand, and Uruguay, as well as the African fations, the United Nations Environment
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	<i>Welcoming</i> the submissions by Parties, other Gover communities, United Nations organizations and programmes, oth	
	<ul> <li>https://www.cbd.int/conferences/post2020</li> <li><sup>2</sup> CBD/WG8J/11/7, CBD/SBSTTA/23/9, CBD/SBSTTA/24/12 and CBD/SBI/3</li> </ul>	

# **The Global Biodiversity Framework: 23 targets**

#### **Reducing threats to biodiversity**

- 1. integrated biodiversity inclusive spatial planning
- 2. restoration
- 3. protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures
- 4. halt human induced extinction
- harvesting and trade of wild species
- 6. invasive alien species
- 7. pollution
- 8. climate change and ocean acidification

# Meeting people's needs through sustainable use and benefit-sharing

- 9. sustainable use of wild species
- 10. agriculture, aquaculture, fisheries and forestry
- 11. nature's contributions to people
- 12. green and blue spaces in urban and densely populated areas
- 13. genetic resources

# Tools and solutions for implementation and mainstreaming

- 14. integration
- 15. business
- 16. sustainable consumption
- 17. biosafety.
- 18. incentives, including subsidies
- 19. financial resources
- 20. innovation and technical and scientific cooperation
- 21. data, information and knowledge
- 22. indigenous peoples and local communities
- 23. gender equality

# National biodiversity strategies & action plans (NBSAPs)

- Article 6: Parties produce national strategies and action plans
- Article 26: Parties produce national reports
- Whole of government focus; all of society
- COP guidance for NBSAPs mostly from COP-10 and COP-15; UNU-IAS/IGES, NBSAP Forum, etc.





### **NBSAP structure & content (per target)**

- Alignment with global goals and targets (which targets; enabling conditions; other non-target elements of the GBF)
- **Degree of alignment** (high, medium, low)
- Main policy measures or actions to be taken to achieve this national target
- Indicators to be used to monitor this national target (dropdown menus)
  - Headline indicators
  - Component indicators
  - Complementary indicators
  - Other national indicators
- Non-state actor commitments
- Means of implementation and barriers to implementation

# Supplementary material (not for presentation)

# Discussion

- How effective is the GBF likely to be?
- How were the views of non-government stakeholders facilitated (Mika I am thinking of your role in facilitating youth involvement)?
- Does the GBF provide a good template for NBSAPs?
- How flexible can/should countries be in interpreting the GBF targets?
- Is there too much emphasis on the 30x30 target?
- How important will OECMs be this time around?
- What are the biggest challenges ahead in implementing the GBF?

### **Global Biodiversity Framework: 4 goals**

### **GOAL A**

- The integrity, connectivity and resilience of all ecosystems are maintained, enhanced, or restored, substantially increasing the area of natural ecosystems by 2050;
- Human induced extinction of known threatened species is halted, and by 2050, extinction rate and risk of all species are reduced tenfold, and the abundance of native wild species is increased to healthy and resilient levels;
- The genetic diversity within populations of wild and domesticated species, is maintained, safeguarding their adaptive potential.

### **GOAL B**

 Biodiversity is sustainably used and managed and nature's contributions to people, including ecosystem functions and services, are valued, maintained and enhanced, with those currently in decline being restored, supporting the achievement of sustainable development, for the benefit of present and future generations by 2050.

### **GOAL C**

The monetary and non-monetary benefits from the utilization of genetic resources, and digital sequence information on genetic resources, and of
traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources, as applicable, are shared fairly and equitably, including, as appropriate with indigenous peoples
and local communities, and substantially increased by 2050, while ensuring traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources is appropriately
protected, thereby contributing to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, in accordance with internationally agreed access and benefitsharing instruments.

### GOAL D

 Adequate means of implementation, including financial resources, capacity-building, technical and scientific cooperation, and access to and transfer of technology to fully implement the Kunming-Montreal global biodiversity framework are secured and equitably accessible to all Parties, especially developing countries, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, as well as countries with economies in transition, progressively closing the biodiversity finance gap of \$700 billion per year, and aligning financial flows with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and the 2050 Vision for Biodiversity.

### **Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework: 23 targets**

### 1. Reducing threats to biodiversity

**TARGET 1** Ensure that all areas are under participatory <u>integrated biodiversity inclusive spatial planning</u> and/or effective management processes addressing land and sea use change, to bring the loss of areas of high biodiversity importance, including ecosystems of high ecological integrity, close to zero by 2030, while respecting the rights of indigenous peoples and local communities.

**TARGET 2** Ensure that by 2030 at least 30 per cent of areas of degraded terrestrial, inland water, and coastal and marine ecosystems are under effective restoration, in order to enhance biodiversity and ecosystem functions and services, ecological integrity and connectivity.

**TARGET 3** Ensure and enable that by 2030 at least 30 per cent of terrestrial, inland water, and of coastal and marine areas, especially areas of particular importance for biodiversity and ecosystem functions and services, are effectively conserved and managed through ecologically representative, well-connected and equitably governed systems of <u>protected areas and</u> <u>other effective area-based conservation measures</u>, recognizing indigenous and traditional territories, where applicable, and integrated into wider landscapes, seascapes and the ocean, while ensuring that any sustainable use, where appropriate in such areas, is fully consistent with conservation outcomes, recognizing and respecting the rights of indigenous peoples and local communities including over their traditional territories.

**TARGET 4** Ensure urgent management actions, to <u>halt human induced extinction</u> of known threatened species and for the recovery and conservation of species, in particular threatened species, to significantly reduce extinction risk, as well as to maintain and restore the genetic diversity within and between populations of native, wild and domesticated species to maintain their adaptive potential, including through in situ and ex situ conservation and sustainable management practices, and effectively manage human-wildlife interactions to minimize human-wildlife conflict for coexistence.

**TARGET 5** Ensure that the use, harvesting and trade of wild species is sustainable, safe and legal, preventing overexploitation, minimizing impacts on non-target species and ecosystems, and reducing the risk of pathogen spill-over, applying the ecosystem approach, while respecting and protecting customary <u>sustainable use</u> by indigenous peoples and local communities.

**TARGET 6** Eliminate, minimize, reduce and or mitigate the impacts of <u>invasive alien species</u> on biodiversity and ecosystem services by identifying and managing pathways of the introduction of alien species, preventing the introduction and establishment of priority invasive alien species, reducing the rates of introduction and establishment of other known or potential invasive alien species by at least 50 percent, by 2030, eradicating or controlling invasive alien species especially in priority sites, such as islands.

**TARGET 7** Reduce <u>pollution</u> risks and the negative impact of pollution from all sources, by2030, to levels that are not harmful to biodiversity and ecosystem functions and services, considering cumulative effects, including: reducing excess nutrients lost to the environment by at least half including through more efficient nutrient cycling and use; reducing the overall risk from pesticides and highly hazardous chemicals by at least half including through integrated pest management, based on science, taking into account food security and livelihoods; and also preventing, reducing, and working towards eliminating plastic pollution.

**TARGET 8** Minimize the impact of <u>climate change and ocean acidification</u> on biodiversity and increase its resilience through mitigation, adaptation, and disaster risk reduction actions, including through nature-based solution and/or ecosystem-based approaches, while minimizing negative and fostering positive impacts of climate action on biodiversity.

### 2. Meeting people's needs through sustainable use and benefit-sharing

**TARGET 9** Ensure that the management and <u>use of wild species</u> are sustainable, thereby providing social, economic and environmental benefits for people, especially those in vulnerable situations and those most dependent on biodiversity, including through sustainable biodiversity-based activities, products and services that enhance biodiversity, and protecting and encouraging customary sustainable use by indigenous peoples and local communities.

**TARGET 10** Ensure that areas under <u>agriculture, aquaculture, fisheries and forestry</u> are managed sustainably, in particular through the sustainable use of biodiversity, including through a substantial increase of the application of biodiversity friendly practices, such as sustainable intensification, agroecological and other innovative approaches contributing to the resilience and long-term efficiency and productivity of these production systems and to food security, conserving and restoring biodiversity and maintaining nature's contributions to people, including ecosystem functions and services.

**TARGET 11** Restore, maintain and enhance <u>nature's contributions to people</u>, including ecosystem functions and services, such as regulation of air, water, and climate, soil health, pollination and reduction of disease risk, as well as protection from natural hazards and disasters, through nature-based solutions and ecosystem-based approaches for the benefit of all people and nature.

**TARGET 12** Significantly increase the area and quality and connectivity of, access to, and benefits from green and blue spaces in urban and densely populated areas sustainably, by mainstreaming the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, and ensure biodiversity-inclusive urban planning, enhancing native biodiversity, ecological connectivity and integrity, and improving human health and well-being and connection to nature and contributing to inclusive and sustainable urbanization and the provision of ecosystem functions and services.

**TARGET 13** Take effective legal, policy, administrative and capacity-building measures at all levels, as appropriate, to ensure the fair and equitable sharing of benefits that arise from the utilization of genetic resources and from digital sequence information on <u>genetic resources</u>, as well as traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources, and facilitating appropriate access to genetic resources, and by 2030 facilitating a significant increase of the benefits shared, in accordance with applicable international access and benefit-sharing instruments.

### 3. Tools and solutions for implementation and mainstreaming

**TARGET 14** Ensure the full <u>integration</u> of biodiversity and its multiple values into policies, regulations, planning and development processes, poverty eradication strategies, strategic environmental assessments, environmental impact assessments and, as appropriate, national accounting, within and across all levels of government and across all sectors, in particular those with significant impacts on biodiversity, progressively aligning all relevant public and private activities, fiscal and financial flows with the goals and targets of this framework.

TARGET 15 Take legal, administrative or policy measures to encourage and enable business, and in particular to ensure that large and transnational companies and financial institutions...

**TARGET 16** Ensure that people are encouraged and enabled to make <u>sustainable consumption</u> choices including by establishing supportive policy, legislative or regulatory frameworks, improving education and access to relevant and accurate information and alternatives, and by 2030, reduce the global footprint of consumption in an equitable manner, halve global food waste, significantly educe overconsumption and substantially reduce waste generation, in order for all people to live well in harmony with Mother Earth.

**TARGET 17** Establish, strengthen capacity for, and implement in all countries in <u>biosafety</u> measures as set out in Article 8(g) of the Convention on Biological Diversity and measures for the handling of biotechnology and distribution of its benefits as set out in Article 19 of the Convention.

**TARGET 18** Identify by 2025, and eliminate, phase out or reform <u>incentives</u>, including subsidies harmful for biodiversity, in a proportionate, just, fair, effective and equitable way, while substantially and progressively reducing them by at least 500 billion United States dollars per year by 2030, starting with the most harmful incentives, and scale up positive incentives for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.

**TARGET 19** Substantially and progressively increase the level of <u>financial resources</u> from all sources, in an effective, timely and easily accessible manner, including domestic, international, public and private resources, in accordance with Article 20 of the Convention, to implement national biodiversity strategies and action plans, by 2030 mobilizing at least 200 billion United States dollars per year, including by...

**TARGET 20** Strengthen capacity-building and development, access to and transfer of technology, and promote development of and access to <u>innovation and technical and scientific</u> <u>cooperation</u>, including through South- South, North-South and triangular cooperation, to meet the needs for effective implementation, particularly in developing countries, fostering joint technology development and joint scientific research programmes for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and strengthening scientific research and monitoring capacities, commensurate with the ambition of the goals and targets of the framework.

**TARGET 21** Ensure that the best available <u>data</u>, information and knowledge, are accessible to decision makers, practitioners and the public to guide effective and equitable governance, integrated and participatory management of biodiversity, and to strengthen communication, awareness-raising, education, monitoring, research and knowledge management and, also in this context, traditional knowledge, innovations, practices and technologies of indigenous peoples and local communities should only be accessed with their free, prior and informedconsent<sup>2</sup>, in accordance with national legislation.

**TARGET 22** Ensure the full, equitable, inclusive, effective and gender-responsive representation and participation in decision-making, and access to justice and information related to biodiversity by <u>indigenous peoples and local communities</u>, respecting their cultures and their rights over lands, territories, resources, and traditional knowledge, as well as by women and girls, children and youth, and persons with disabilities and ensure the full protection of environmental human rights defenders.

**TARGET 23** Ensure <u>gender equality</u> in the implementation of the framework through a gender-responsive approach where all women and girls have equal opportunity and capacity to contribute to the three objectives of the Convention, including by recognizing their equal rights and access to land and natural resources and their full, equitable, meaningful and informed participation and leadership at all levels of action, engagement, policy and decision-making related to biodiversity.