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NOTIFICATION

Submission of views and information relating to the strategic review and analysis of the current expanded forest biodiversity programme of work in the context of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

Dear Sir or Madam,

In its decision 16/12, paragraph 4, the Conference of the Parties (COP), in recalling paragraph 9 of decision 15/4, requested the Secretariat to conduct a strategic review and analysis of the programmes of work of the Convention in the context of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework to facilitate its implementation. The COP further requested that, on the basis of this analysis, draft updates of these programmes of work be prepared, taking into account documents prepared for the twenty-sixth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice related to that work, and submit them for consideration by the Subsidiary Body at a future meeting held before the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

Accordingly, I would like to invite Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations to submit views and information relating to the strategic review and analysis of the <u>current expanded forest biodiversity programme of work</u> in the context of the Framework. It should be noted that its substantive scope includes 12 goals, 27 objectives and 130 activities. As such it remains an important tool and is relevant for the implementation of the Framework. Further information is available at the following <u>webpage</u>.

In preparing the submission, Parties and observers may wish to consider the following guiding questions:

- What needs to be incorporated or strengthened in the current expanded programme of work to better align with the Framework? Please consult the <u>rapid gap analysis</u>, as contained in document CBD/SBSTTA/25/INF/1, for reference.
- How could the approach to implementation of the expanded programme of work be revised to
 achieve the targets of the Framework? Please refer to the information pertaining to potential
 actors, timeframes, performance measures and indicators of progress (for the period 20022010) contained in the note by the Executive Secretary for reference.
- Which goals/objectives/activities of the expanded programme of work are considered a priority to support the national implementation of the Framework by 2030?

Pursuant to the above, kindly submit your views and relevant information, as described above, through an official letter addressed to the Executive Secretary, by e-mail to secretariat@cbd.int as soon as possible, but no later than **14 April 2025**. Parties are encouraged to provide their submissions through the Clearing-House Mechanism using the following link: https://chm.cbd.int/submit/submission/new?notification=2025-031.

I thank you for your cooperation in this matter and your continued support for the work of the Convention and its Protocols.

Please accept, Sir, Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Astrid Schomaker Executive Secretary

To: CBD national focal points, SBSTTA focal points, GSPC focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant organizations





