

Resumed Sessions of SBSTTA-24, SBI-3 & WG2020-3

Briefing Webinar on the Joint Meeting Agenda and Organization of Work

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SBI Chair
WG2020 Co-Chairs

Tuesday, 8 February 2022

8:00–9:30 a.m. and 6:00–7:30 p.m. (EST), Online

Overview of the Webinar

Objectives

- **Provide details to Parties and stakeholders on the organization of work of the meetings.**
- **Provide an overview of the updated Scenario Note / Organization of Work.**
The Scenario Note also includes the latest information on participation, as well as key considerations to facilitate the process and reach agreement.
- **Discuss the linkages between various agenda items.**
The Chairs and Co-Chairs will present the agendas and organization of work for SBSTTA, SBI and WG2020 and show how the different pieces will fit together.
- **Provide additional information on logistics and organizational matters.**
- **Provide an opportunity to ask questions, seek clarification and express views.**

Practical and Logistical Information

- Meetings will be held primarily in person to facilitate full negotiations. Speaking in plenary sessions and contact groups generally limited to those present in the meeting venue.
- Measures will be in place to reduce risk from COVID- 19, including: requirement for vaccination, regular testing and social distancing. Thus:
 - limit on number of representatives on site at any one time 6/Party and 2/observer organization
 - provision will be made to allow delegations from Parties and observers to follow the sessions of the meetings, both plenary and contact groups, virtually (viewer mode only).
- In the event that it is not possible for a Party to be represented physically in Geneva, full interactive virtual participation will be enabled following a special request to the Secretariat.
- Funding available to support two representatives per eligible Party (developing countries, in particular LDCs and SIDs, and countries with economies in transition), subject to availability of funds.
- On site registration encouraged on 13 March, or 12 March afternoon.

Updated Scenario Note

- **An updated Scenario Note is now available**
 - Document Symbol: CBD/WG2020/3/1/Add.2/Rev.4; CBD/SBSTTA/24/1/Add.2/Rev.2; CBD/SBI/3/1/Add.2/Rev.2
- **Background**
 - Information on previous meetings to bring participants up-to-speed.
- **Modalities**
 - Information on participation and organizational matters
- **Organization of Work**
 - Information on the timing and management of plenaries and contact groups.
- **Draft Schedule**
 - A proposed timeline for the meetings, including the proposed order for consideration of items in plenary and the schedule for contact group meetings.
- **NOTE:** An updated **Information Note** with additional logistical information is available on the Secretariat website.
- **NOTE:** Joint opening plenary (Mon, 14 Mar, morning session)

Plan for the Opening Day – March 14

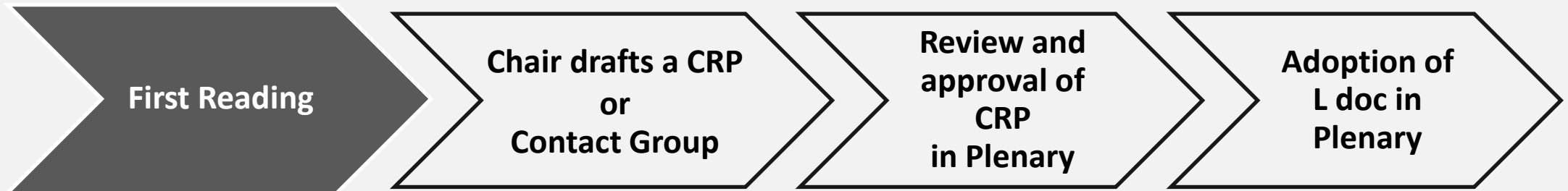
Morning Session	Joint Plenary <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening remarks• Opening statements by Regional Groups• Opening Statements by Major Groups
	SBSTTA <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Item 2: Organization of Work
Afternoon Session	WG2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Item 2: Organization of Work• Item 3: Update• Item 4: GBF
	SBI <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Item 2: Organization of Work• Item 6: Financial Mechanism• Item 5: Gender (Introduction)

Note: Regional groups and major groups are advised to address all major and strategic issues in a single opening statement in the joint plenary, if one is planned or needed. It is not envisaged to have regional opening statements, or individual statements in each of the three bodies.

There may be opportunities for further statements by Parties and observers for some issues.

Key Considerations: Where are we?

We are getting back to pre-COVID modus operandi



Discussions are at different stages for each agenda item.

- Some discussions may begin or resume a first reading, while other discussions may resume in a contact group. Some agenda items are at a more advanced stage and ready to review a CRP.
- Delegates are urged to review the supplementary annotations to the agendas for each meeting as well as the joint Scenario Note to learn ‘where we are’ on specific agenda items.

Key Considerations: Where are we?

SBSTTA and SBI

Delegates will resume their work where they stopped at Part I of their meetings. They will basically ‘pick up where they left off’.

WG2020

While Draft One remains the official starting point for negotiation, delegates are encouraged to keep in mind the composite text and the compiled list of all proposals contained in the report of WG2020-3.1 and to make best use of the Co-Chairs’ Reflection text.

Facilitating Discussions and Resolving Issues

- **Meeting time will be very limited** – flexibility and cooperation will be key for making maximum use of the available time.
- We should avoid duplication of discussion across SBs and CGs
- **The Chairs and Co-Chairs may convene informal groups, such as Friends of the Chair, to help make progress.** The modalities for such meetings will be clearly communicated to participants to ensure transparency.
- **Informal consultations among Parties ahead of formal consideration** in plenary may help resolve brackets.
- **Informal consultations outside of formal meetings can also facilitate progress** – huddles can be helpful.
- **Reminder** – After extensive discussions in contact groups or informal consultations, discussions in plenary are usually kept brief.

Observers

- Similar to pre-COVID practice
- Recognizing regional groups, Parties, Non-Parties, major stakeholder groups and observers
- Using 6 min-3 min rules
- Chairs and Co-Chairs will recognize observers as much as schedule allows
- Importance of engaging in contact groups and informally

Overall Coordination

- In advance
 - A lot of detailed planning was done ahead of the meeting
- In Geneva
 - Regular Chairs, Co-chairs and Secretariat meeting to discuss logistical and coordination issues
 - Regular Joint Bureaux meeting
 - E.g. to review and adapt schedule as needed

SBSTTA-24: Expectations for Resumed Meeting

- General objectives
 - i. continue to provide scientific and technical advice to the OEWG while...
 - ii. ...delivering fully against the established SBSTTA programme of work
- Specific objectives
 - Adopt existing L documents (GBO-5, IPBES, Monitoring Framework, SynBio, Risk Assessment, Agriculture)
 - Deliver draft monitoring framework based on the non-paper posted (to complete the annex referenced in the draft recommendation, contained in L.3)
 - Consider Annex to the draft recommendation contained in L.7 (Item 7 – agricultural biodiversity)
 - Make further progress on draft recommendations contained in the CRPs (IAS, Marine EBSAs, Marine conservation & sustainable use)
 - A non-paper on health with a view to approve CRP and subsequently adopt L doc.
- Very full agenda: efficiency is of the essence!
 - Monitoring framework: streamline discussion, prepare further annex to L-Doc containing draft indicators., use technical resources
 - L documents: use informal processes for advancing consensus on outstanding issues to remove brackets

SBSTTA-24: Status of documents

Since first session last year

- 6 L-docs that needs to be formally adopted
- Continue work on 3 CRPs - to be developed to L-docs and formally adopted

‘New’ documents:

- Non-paper on Health (for CG to consider)
- Non-paper on Monitoring Framework (for CG to consider)

SBSTTA-24: Contact groups

- CG for item 3 GBF/Monitoring – five sessions
- CG for item 6 Marine (conservation & sust. use) – one session
- CG for item 6 Marine (EBSAs) – one session
- CG for item 7 Agriculture/Soils – one session
- CG for item 9 Health – two sessions

Discussions on-going with the Co-chairs of the CGs - guidance documents with further details will be posted ahead of the meeting.

SBSTTA-24 Contact Groups

Contact Groups	Co-Leads	Session Dates	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
3 GBF/ Monitoring	Andrew Stott (United Kingdom), Alfred Oteng-Yeboah (Ghana)	17 (2x), 18, 21, 23			Sessions 1 & 2	Session 3			Session 4		Session 5						
6 Marine (conservation & sustainable use)	Marie-May Muzungaile (Seychelles), Matthias Steitz (Germany)	19					Session										
6 Marine (EBSAs)	Marie-May Muzungaile (Seychelles), Matthias Steitz (Germany)	22								Session							
7 Agriculture/ Soils	Adams Toussaint (St Lucia), Norbert Baerlocher (Switzerland)	16		Session													
9 Health	Helena Jeffery Brown (Antigua and Barbuda), Marina von Weissenberg (Finland)	15, 16	Session 1	Session 2							1						

SBI-3 Expectations for Resumed Meeting

- Important to finish SBI3's mandate as mandated by COP14 and COP/MoPs of the Protocols
- Continue the work started at the first session – pick up where we left off
- Resume first reading on agenda item 8, Cooperation. Also consider new docs based on intersessional work
- Continue with CGs
- Discussion of CRPs and formally adopt L-docs;
- L documents : use informal processes for advancing consensus on outstanding issues to remove brackets
- Although not preferred, draft decision in L-document, in places of great divergence, may be adopted with brackets for further consideration at COP15, COP/MOP 10 and COP/MOP 4

SBI-3 Status of documents

Since first session last year

- 6 L-docs that needs to be formally adopted
- Continue work on 11 CRP - to be developed to L-docs and formally adopted
- Resume first reading on agenda item 8
- New docs on agenda item 5 , 6 and 9 (please note ongoing peer-review on four annexes that relates to item 9)

SBI-3 Contact groups

- CG for item 9 Review mechanism – three sessions. Note timing – will start its work before SBSTTA item 3 CGs
- CG for item 6 FM/resource mobilisation– three sessions
- CG for item 7 Capacity building – two sessions
- CG for item 5 – gender plan of action – one session
- CG for item 5 – CP Implementation plan – one session

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SBI-3 Contact Groups

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9 Review mechanism	Andrew Stott (United Kingdom), Gillian Guthrie (Jamaica)	15, 16, 24	Session 1	Session 2								3					
6 Fin Mech Resource mobilization	Ines Verleye (Belgium), Shonisani Munzhedzi (South Africa)	17, 21, 22			Session 1				Session 2	Session 3							
7 Capacity Building	Hayo Haanstra (Netherlands), Laura Bermúdez (Colombia)	16, 18		Session 1		Session 2											
5 Gender	Scott Wilson (Canada), Andrea Cruz Angón (Mexico)	17			Session 1												
5 CP implementation	Rigobert Ntep (Cameroon), Rita Andorkó (Hungary)	23									1						

Red Line: SBSTTA CG on Performance indicator first session

CG on Review mechanism will start its work before SBSTTA item 3 CGs

Resumed SBI-3 – status of documents

Agenda item	Status
1. Opening of the meeting.	No document
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.	CBD/SBI/3/1 (Agenda)
3. Review of progress in the implementation of the Convention and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020.	CBD/SBI/3/L.4
4. Assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.	CBD/SBI/3/L.2
5. Post-2020 global biodiversity framework.	CBD/SBI/3/CRP.9 (Gender) CBD/SBI/3/CRP.14 (IP/CB for CP) CBD/SBI/3/4/add1/rev 1 Communications NEW CBD/SBI/3/4/add2/rev2 Draft post -2020 gender plan of action NEW
6. Resource mobilization and the financial mechanism.	CBD/SBI/3/CRP.15 (RM) CBD/SBI/3/L.3 (FM) CBD/SBI/3/5/Add2/Rev1 Estimation of resources needed NEW CBD/SBI/3/5/Add4 Draft terms of reference for a possible expert working group on the financial reporting framework NEW CBD/SBI/3/6/Add2/Rev1 Report of the full assessment of funds needed for the implementation of the Convention and its Protocols during the eight replenishment period (NEW) CBD/SBI/3/6/Add4 The financial mechanism NEW

Resumed SBI-3 – status of documents

Agenda item	Status
7. Capacity-building, technical and scientific cooperation, technology transfer, knowledge management, and communication.	CBD/SBI/3/CRP.13 (CB) CBD/SBI/3/CRP.4 (KM) CBD/SBI/3/L.5 (Comm) CBD/SBI/3/CRP.6 (CB for NP)
8. Cooperation with other conventions, international organizations and initiatives.	CBD/SBI/3/10 resumed first reading of item
9. Mechanisms for reporting, assessment and review of implementation.	CBD/SBI/3/CRP.5 Four new annexes!
10. Review of the effectiveness of the processes under the Convention and its protocols.	CBD/SBI/3/CRP.10
11. Mainstreaming of biodiversity within and across sectors and other strategic actions to enhance implementation.	CBD/SBI/3/CRP.16 (Mainstreaming) CBD/SBI/3/CRP.8 (Sub-nationals)
12. Specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments in the context of Article 4, paragraph 4, of the Nagoya Protocol.	CBD/SBI/3/L.6
13. Global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism (Article 10 of the Nagoya Protocol).	CBD/SBI/3/CRP.12
14. Administrative and budgetary matters.	No document
15. Other matters.	No document
16. Adoption of the report.	No document
17. Closure of the meeting.	No document

WG2020-3 Expectation for Resumed Meeting

- Contact groups from WG2020-3.1 will be carried over to WG2020-3.2
 - Same mandate
 - as much as possible same Co-leads (some changes were unavoidable)
- Focus on negotiations (avoid general statements or repeat comments made in WG2020-3.1)
- First Draft remains basis for negotiations
 - CG Co-leads reports (list of Party/stakeholder proposals and composite texts)
 - Co-Chairs Reflections provide further guidance and can be useful
- Ideal outcome: Negotiated text with as few brackets as possible for consideration by COP15
- DSI: Make progress on solutions for the long-term
- A guidance document with further details will be posted ahead of the meeting.
 - More details on CG agenda
 - Relationship between CGs

WG2020 Contact Groups

- WG2020 contact groups will use common approach as much as possible:
 - Co-leads determine time allocation and can prioritize work
 - Short introduction by WG2020 Co-chairs. This can include:
 - Summarize previous versions or iterations of documents since 2018
 - Elements of the Co-chairs Reflections Document
 - A non-paper can be introduced after first session
 - Interventions
 - Parties are encouraged to refrain from making general statements
 - Keep interventions short, focused on text, and work towards compromise
 - Glossary
 - It may be useful for Contact Groups to reflect on relevant definitions

WG2020 Contact Groups

- However there may be some adaptation to address specifics of respective mandate
 - **CG1:**
 - First address structural issues (definition of goals vs. milestones vs. targets; implementation period; new section on cross-cutting issues B.bis)
 - Then review Goals A to D
 - **CG2:**
 - First session: 15min per target – focus on issues/challenges
 - Potentially non-paper
 - Session 2 and 3 to get to detailed discussions
 - **CG4:**
 - Heavy workload
 - Session 1 would prefer to focus on scoping issues rather than resolving
 - Session 2 and 3: resolving issues
 - **CG3:**
 - Meeting with Co-leads will take place Feb 9th

WG2020 Contact Groups

Contact Groups		Co-Leads	Session Dates	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
1:	Structure, Sections A to E, Goals	Vinod Mathur (India), Norbert Baerlocher (Switzerland)	15, 18, 25	Session 1 Structure			Session 2 Goals							3				
2:	T1 to T8	Teona Karchava (Georgia) Rosemary Paterson (New Zealand)	15, 19, 26	Session 1				Session 2							3			
3:	T9 to T13	Gillian Guthrie (Jamaica), Gabriele Obermayr (Austria)	16, 21, 26		Session 1					Session 2					3			
4:	T14 to T21 Sections H to K	Anne Teller (European Commission), Jorge Murillo (Colombia)	17, 22, 26			Session 1					Session 2				3			
5:	DSI	Lacticia Tshitwamulomoni (South Africa), Gaute Voigt-Hanssen (Norway)	23, 24									1	1					

Red Line: SBSTTA CG on Performance indicator

SBSTTA CG will be working from document (instead of outcome of WG2020 CG)

WG2020-3 - DSI

- I. Background
- II. Work of the informal Co-Chairs' advisory group
 - A. Framework for the assessment of policy options related to access and benefit-sharing for digital sequence information on genetic resources
 - B. Areas of potential convergence and apparent divergence on digital sequence information on genetic resources, and potential further work
- III. Elements of a recommendation
 - *Annex I* policy options to be considered in the first step of the multi-criteria analysis
 - *Annex II* criteria and sub-criteria
 - *Annex III* performance matrix

Resumed WG2020-3 – Item 5 (DSI)

Mandate

- 14/20 par. 12: the COP ‘...’ requests the Working Group ‘...’ “to make a recommendation to the COP on how to address DSI in the context of the post-2020 GBF”

Expectations

- Presentation of the co-leads report on the work of the informal Co-Chairs’ advisory group in plenary
- Proposition to take the Addendum to the pre-sessional document on DSI as basis for the discussions in the contact group in plenary

Very full agenda: efficiency is of the essence!

- All DSI discussions to start in second week to accommodate those participating in BBNJ negotiations
- WG2020 plenary on (Mon, 21 March 10-1pm) - opportunity for further regional/Party/stakeholder statements

Resumed WG2020-3 – Item 5 (DSI)

Pre-sessional document

- ✓ *CBD/WG2020/3/4/ADD1 Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources - Addendum*

Other relevant documents

- ✓ *CBD/DSI/AHTEG/2020/1/7 Report of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on DSI*
- ✓ *CBD/WG2020/3/INF/8 Co-leads' report on the work of the informal Co-Chairs' advisory group on DSI*
- ✓ *CBD/WG2020/3/INF/7 Views and new information on policy approaches, options or modalities for DSI*
- ✓ *CBD/WG2020/3/INF/1 Update of DSI in relevant international processes & policy debates*
- ✓ *CBD/WG2020/3/INF/9 Information from the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture related to digital sequence information on genetic resources*
- ✓ *Note: CBD/WG2020/3/CRP1 is now superseded by CBD/WG2020/3/5, annex V, section A*

Linkages: Post-2020 GBF and SBI

- Several SBI agenda items are directly linked to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework – clearly indicated in the different mandates for the agenda items
- After the first virtual session – the outcome of the meeting was given to the Post 2020-co-chairs so that they could take it into account in preparation for first draft
- Parties will have to decide what elements (or level of details) is needed in GBF as part of the WG2020 deliberation
- SBI and WG2020 will continue to have close coordination

Linkages: Post-2020 and SBSTTA

- One SBSTTA agenda item is linked with the post-2020 global biodiversity framework:
 - Agenda item 3: Post-2020 global biodiversity framework, which will consider the monitoring framework.

Thank you

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