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NOTIFICATION**Regional and/or subregional dialogues on enhancing monitoring and reporting of the
implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and the Kunming-Montreal
Global Biodiversity Framework**

Dear Sir or Madam,

In its decision [15/6](#), the Conference of the Parties adopted an enhanced multidimensional approach to planning, monitoring, reporting and review for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF), on which further guidance was adopted in decision [16/32](#). The monitoring framework, which provides a set of headline, component and complementary indicators for use in national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs) and in national reports, was adopted in decision [15/5](#), and further technical updates were adopted in decision 16/31.

Between the fifteenth and sixteenth meetings of the Conference of the Parties, the Secretariat of the Convention, with the support of several partners, organized a series of twelve regional and subregional dialogues to support Parties in revising or updating their NBSAPs and setting their national targets in alignment with the KMGBF. These dialogues were well received by Parties.

In its decision 16/32, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to convene, under the guidance of the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties, subregional and/or regional dialogues, taking into account the experiences and lessons learned from the previous regional dialogues. In addition, the Conference of the Parties made requests related to exchanging knowledge and building capacity related to the monitoring framework (decision 16/31) and provisioning of capacity building and development support from regional and subregional technical and scientific cooperation support centres (decision 16/32).

I am pleased to inform Parties that, building on the previous dialogues, the Secretariat in consultation with the Bureau is planning to organize a series of regional or subregional dialogues during the present biennium to enable the sharing of experiences among Parties aimed to identify good practices, successes, lessons learned, challenges and solutions related to monitoring and reporting the implementation of NBSAPs and the KMGBF. As Parties will be establishing or improving their national monitoring plans or systems and preparing their seventh national reports during this biennium, this series of dialogues will focus on national monitoring and reporting.

An additional objective of the dialogues is to strengthen regional cooperation in monitoring. To support this objective, the proposed dialogues will be co-organized with the subregional technical and scientific cooperation support centres with the support of other relevant organizations and will include a dedicated session for discussing regional cooperation. They will also be organized, where possible, in conjunction with other regional and sub-regional events.

To: CBD national focal points, ABS focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points, SBSTTA focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities and relevant organizations

Subject to the availability of resources, national focal points of the Convention will be invited to nominate two people to participate in these dialogues: one responsible for the NBSAP, and one responsible for monitoring and reporting. Representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities, women, youth academia, and key regional partners will also be invited to participate in the dialogues.

Parties wishing to host a regional or subregional dialogue in their country are invited to indicate their interest to the Secretariat by writing to secretariat@cbd.int. It is expected that a Party could co-host together with a technical and scientific cooperation support centre that would not necessarily need to be co-located in the country concerned.

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

(Signed) Astrid Schomaker
Executive Secretary