2050 Vision for Biodiversity

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The 2050 vision aims at "Living in harmony with nature" where by 2050, biodiversity is valued, conserved, restored and wisely used, maintaining ecosystem services, sustaining a healthy planet and delivering benefits essential for all people. While not expressed in quantitative terms, the element of the 2050 vision statement provide the essence of a longterm goal for biodiversity. Indeed, the 2050 vision has been interpreted as a 2050 goal for biodiversity in various scenario-building exercises and efforts are underway to provide a more quantitative basis and plausible pathways for achieving such a vision.

CBD's 2050 Vision

The framework presents five long-term goals for 2050 related to the CBD's 2050 Vision for Biodiversity, and each of these goals has an associated outcome for 2030. The five goals address:

. net loss and ecosystem resilience;

. reductions in the percentage of species threatened with extinction;

. the maintenance and enhancement of genetic diversity;

. the benefits of nature to people;

. increasing the fair and equitable sharing of the benefits from the use of genetic .

. resources and associated traditional knowledge.

The framework also includes 20 action-oriented targets for 2030 that are meant to contribute to achieving these five goals. The 20 targets are presented under the categories of

reducing threats to biodiversity; meeting people's needs through sustainable use and benefit-sharing; and tools and solutions for implementation and mainstreaming.

The Open-Ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework was tasked with advancing preparations for the development of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. This process is expected to lead to the adoption of a post-2020 global biodiversity framework at the UN Biodiversity Conference, which is set to convene in October 2020, in Kunming, China.

Organized on the margins of the 75th session of the UN General Assembly, the Biodiversity Summit **aims to generate political will and promote recognition of the urgent need to halt biodiversity loss at the highest political level.** It will provide an opportunity for decision makers and stakeholders to give momentum to the development and adoption of the post-2020 framework at the UN Biodiversity Conference and demonstrate ambition to accelerate action on biodiversity for sustainable development, regarding both the goals and targets of the post-2020 framework and the means for implementation and review mechanisms.