



**Conference of the Parties to the
Minamata Convention on Mercury
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**Matters for consideration or action by the
Conference of the Parties: mercury and the
Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework**

**Key decisions of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention
on Biological Diversity relevant to the Minamata Convention on
Mercury****

Note by the secretariat

The annexes to the present note set out information relevant to the road map for enhancing co-benefits from implementation of the Minamata Convention and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, as set out in document UNEP/MC/COP.6/20. Annex I contains a list of key decisions from the fifteenth and sixteenth meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Annex II provides resources to support parties in integrating mercury reduction actions into their national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs).

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Annex I

List of key decisions from the fifteenth and sixteenth meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity of relevance in the context of the road map

COP 15 decisions

Note: The full list of COP15 Decisions can be found here.

Decision 15/3 “Review of progress in the implementation of the Convention and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the achievement of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets”

Decision 15/4 “Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework”

Decision 15/6 “Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting and review”

Decision 15/5 “Monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework”

Decision 15/7 “Resource Mobilization”

Decision 15/8 “Capacity-building and development and technical and scientific cooperation”

Decision 15/10 “Development of a new programme of work and institutional arrangements on Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention related to indigenous peoples and local communities”

Decision 15/11 “Gender Plan of Action”

Decision 15/12 “Engagement with subnational governments, cities and other local authorities to enhance implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework”

Decision 15/13 “Cooperation with other conventions and international organizations”

Decision 15/14 “Communication”

Decision 15/16 “Knowledge management and the clearing house mechanism”

COP 16 decisions

Note: The full list of COP16 Decisions can be found here.

Decision 16/1 “Review of implementation: progress in national target setting and updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans”

Decision 16/11 “Matters related to the work programme of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services”

Decision 16/12 “Scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework”

Decision 16/19 “Biodiversity and health”

Decision 16/31 “Monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework”

Decision 16/32 “Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting and review, including the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework to be conducted at the seventeenth and nineteenth meetings of the Conference of the Parties”

Decision 16/33 “Financial Mechanism”

Decision 16/35 “Cooperation with other conventions and international organizations”

Annex II

List of resources to support parties in their efforts to integrate mercury reduction action into NBSAPs

- CBD page on NBSAPs (incl. introduction, guidance, format for submission, NBSAPs submitted, etc): <https://www.cbd.int/nbsap>
- CBD page on NBSAPs training (also available through the link above): <https://www.cbd.int/nbsap/training>
- GEF technical guidance to support the alignment of NBSAPs with the KM-GBF: https://www.learningfornature.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/EN_Technical-Guidance-on-Biodiversity-Target-Alignment_4-May-2024.pdf
- NBSAP Forum
 - <https://www.learningfornature.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Technical-guidance-to-support-the-alignment-of-national-biodiversity-targets-with-the-Kunming-Montreal-Global-Biodiversity-Framework-and-relevant-decisions-GM.pdf>
 - <https://eservices.nema.go.ug/assets/pdf/GBF%20Road%20Map.pdf>
 - https://www.cms.int/sites/default/files/document/doc_27_guidelines_nbsap_e_0.pdf
- CMS Guidelines on integrating migratory species into NBSAPs (2011): <https://www.cbd.int/doc/nbsap/NBSAP-guidelines-CMS.pdf>
- NBSAPs and synergies among Biodiversity-related Conventions: <https://www.cms.int/sites/default/files/uploads/NBSAP%20Guidance%20Document%20on%20MEAs%20Focused%20on%20Species%20Targets.pdf>
- UN EMG Guidance on integrating human rights in NBSAPs: <https://unemg.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/NBSAP-guidance-final.pdf>
- OHCHR guidance on integrating human rights into NBSAPs: <https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/documents/issues/climatechange/information-materials/integrating-hr-in-national-biodiversity-strategies-action-plans.pdf>

Additional resources:

- TNC Steps to update NBSAPs: https://www.nature.org/content/dam/tnc/nature/en/documents/TNC_NBSAP_14April_final.pdf
- ICRI guidance on integrating coral reef into NBSAPs: https://icriforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/ICRI_Integration_Coral_Reefs_NBSAPs_Guidance_2024_FINAL_V3.pdf
- WWF "The NBSAPs We Need": https://wwfint.awsassets.panda.org/downloads/wwf-nbsaps-we-need-2023_final.pdf
- Biovision "Boost NBSAPs through Agroecology": <https://www.agroecology-pool.org/national-biodiversity-strategies-and-action-plans/>
- Ramsar Conv Upscaling wetland conservation, restoration and wise use through NBSAPs: https://www.ramsar.org/sites/default/files/2023-11/GBF_NBSAP_e.pdf
- Ramsar Conv Guidance on including wetlands in NBSAPs: https://www.ramsar.org/sites/default/files/2024-08/TR12_NBSAPs_KM_GBF_rev2_e.pdf