



NOTIFICATION

Submission of revised and updated national biodiversity strategies and action plans and national targets

Dear Sir or Madam,

In [decision 15/6](#), the Conference of the Parties requested Parties to revise and update their national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs) by the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. Parties not in a position to submit their revised and updated NBSAP were requested to submit their national targets by the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, in accordance with the reporting template provided in annex I to that decision, as a standalone submission.

Standalone national targets should be submitted according to the template in annex I of [decision 15/6](#). Further to notifications [2023-117](#) and [2024-045](#), I would like to encourage Parties to submit their national targets through the online reporting tool on the Convention's clearing-house mechanism (<https://ort.cbd.int>). The submission of national targets does not require the NBSAP to be completed and one or several national targets can be submitted at one time. Further, the online reporting tool allows for national targets to be revised by Parties on an ongoing basis and for additional details to be added or revised as they become available. Given this, and owing to the importance of national target information to the work of the Convention, I would encourage all Parties to submit their national targets as soon as possible, while noting that some information related to the national targets may be updated or added later as NBSAPs are finalized.

All standalone national targets submissions and revised and updated NBSAPs will be made available through the Convention's clearing-house mechanism as they are submitted. Owing to the timelines for preparing documentation for meetings, only national targets submitted according to Annex I of [decision 15/6](#) and received by **1 August 2024** can be reflected in the documentation prepared for the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. Similarly, only NBSAPs received by **1 August 2024** can be considered in the preparation of relevant documentation.

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

(Signed) David Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points, Cartagena Protocol focal points, ABS focal points, SBSTTA focal points

