



United Nations Decade on Biodiversity

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Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011–2020

In 2010 Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) adopted the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011–2020, a ten-year framework for action by all countries and stakeholders to safeguard biodiversity and the benefits it provides to people. As part of the Strategic Plan 20 ambitious but realistic targets, known as the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, were adopted.

Governments have committed to establishing national targets in support of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets. The development of national targets and their incorporation into updated National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) is a key process in fulfilling the commitments set out in the Strategic Plan. National Biodiversity Strategies Action Plans reflect how a country intends to fulfill the objectives of the CBD and the concrete actions it intends to take.

The Strategic Plan for Biodiversity is comprised of:

The vision—“By 2050, biodiversity is valued, conserved, restored and wisely used, maintaining ecosystem services, sustaining a healthy planet and delivering benefits essential for all people.”

The mission—“Take effective and urgent action to halt the loss of biodiversity in order to ensure that by 2020 ecosystems are resilient and continue to provide essential services, thereby securing the planet’s variety of life, and contributing to human well-being, and poverty eradication. To ensure this, pressures on biodiversity are reduced, ecosystems are restored, biological resources are sustainably used and benefits arising out of utilization of genetic resources are shared in a fair and equitable manner; adequate financial resources are provided, capacities are enhanced, biodiversity issues and values mainstreamed, appropriate policies are effectively implemented, and decision-making is based on sound science and the precautionary approach.”



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20 targets, under five strategic goals

- Strategic Goal A** Address the underlying causes of biodiversity loss by mainstreaming biodiversity across government and society
- Strategic Goal B** Reduce the direct pressures on biodiversity and promote sustainable use
- Strategic Goal C** Improve the status of biodiversity by safeguarding ecosystems, species and genetic diversity
- Strategic Goal D** Enhance the benefits to all from biodiversity and ecosystem services
- Strategic Goal E** Enhance implementation through participatory planning, knowledge management and capacity building

Fast Facts

- ▶ In recognition of the urgent need for action in support of biodiversity, by all stakeholders at all levels, countries agreed to the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity
- ▶ To support countries in their efforts to achieve the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, the Secretariat of the CBD, together with various partners, is convening a series of capacity-building workshops: www.cbd.int/nbsap
- ▶ Parties have agreed to develop national and regional targets and report thereon to the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting (COP-11)
- ▶ Parties have committed to revising and/or updating their National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) in light of the new strategic plan and to implement them as policy instruments by COP-12

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Implementation of Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, including the Aichi Biodiversity Targets ▶ www.cbd.int/sp/implementation

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