



# Local and Subnational Government Information Webinar Series

Webinar 14- 23rd July 2020



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## **Outcomes of the Edinburgh Process**

What's next for cities and regions?

#### **Featuring:**

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Ms. Ingrid Coetzee- Senior Manager, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Solutions: ICLEI Cities Biodiversity Center

Mr. Teru Kisuna- Chief Director, Natural Environment Division, Bureau of the Environment, Aichi Prefecture

Mr. Roby Biwer- Member of the ENVE commission at the European Committee of the Regions (CoR) & Member of Bettembourg Municipal Council, Luxembourg

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#### The Global Taskforce



























































## GLOBAL TASKFORCE

OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS



















































#### 2020 Local and Subnational Government **Information Webinar Dates**





Available on the Local and Subnational Government **Engagement Platform** 

6th February 2020 at: 10am CAT and at 3pm CAT

26th March 2020 at: 10am CAT and at 3pm CAT

**16th April 2020** at: **10am CAT** and at **3pm CAT** 

**14th May 2020** at: **10am CAT** and at **3pm CAT** 

4th June 2020 at: 10am CAT and 3pm at CAT

23rd July 2020 at: 10am CAT and 3pm at CAT

20th August 2020 at: 10am CAT and 3pm at CAT

17th September 2020 at: 10am CAT and 3pm at CAT

8th October 2020 at: 10am CAT and 3pm at CAT

5th November 2020 at: 10am CAT and 3pm CAT

3rd December 2020 at: 10am CAT and 3pm CAT















































## Roadmap to COP 15









Local Authorities on the development of the Post 2020 global biodiversity

framework 30 April- 24 July (Virtual Consultations)

**Edinburgh Process for Subnational** Governments, Cities and

> **Daring Cities 2020** Bonn, Germany 7-28 October

Parks for Planet Forum, Salzburg **Global Seminar** 30 November-4 December

**IUCN WCC-**Marseilles. France 7-15 January 7th Biodiversity Summit Date TBC

2019



2020





Special virtual sessions of SBSTTA and SBI

We are here

**UN Nature** 

Summit



SBSTTA-24

Canada



OEWG-3 Cali. Date TBC



2021



**CBD COP 15- Kunming,** China 17-30 May

SBSTTA 23-Montreal. Canada 25-29 November

Brazilian Paulo. Brazil 4-6 February

Perspectives for the Post 2020 **Biodiversity** Framework, Sao

BIO2020:

OEWG 2-Rome, Italy 24-28 February

15-18 September 22 September

Montreal, Canada 2-7 November Quebec City, Canada

SBI-3 Montreal. Canada 9-14 November Quebec City,

Colombia





















































### 14<sup>th</sup> POST 2020 WEBINAR







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#### **AGENDA**







**Opening, Welcome, and Introduction to Speakers Timothy Blatch, ICLEI CBC** Reflections on the Edinburgh Process: What's Next for Dr Susan Campbell, SG **Local and Subnational Governments? Edinburgh Process Consultation Outcomes on the Ingrid Coetzee, ICLEI CBC** Plan of Action Review Document **Engaging National Focal Points** Teru Kisuna, GoLS EU bio-diverse cities and regions in the next decade Roby Biwer, CoR **SA-EU Dialogues: A Model of Vertical Integration in** Wadzi Mandivenyi, SA DEFF Support of the Post 2020 GBF **Questions and Discussion** All









## Edinburgh Process Partners

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Governments for Sustainability



Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs



Sustainable Development









**European Committee** of the Regions





Royal **Botanic Garden Edinburgh** 



UN WCMC





## Edinburgh Process Timeline

Edinburgh Process registration opens

Online Session 1, 5 – 8 May Thematic Webinars, May – June

Online Session 2, Webinar to inform CBD Parties about EP outcomes

SBI-3 Side event

April 2020

> Consultation for Zero Draft and Plan of Action, 30 April – 12 June

June 2020

July 2020

August 2020

November 2020

**COP 15** 

Consultation for Edinburgh Declaration 26 June – 24 July Workshop Report and Sub Nat Plan of Action submitted to CBD July/Aug Continued collaboration on to SBSTTA, SBI, OEWG and COP 15

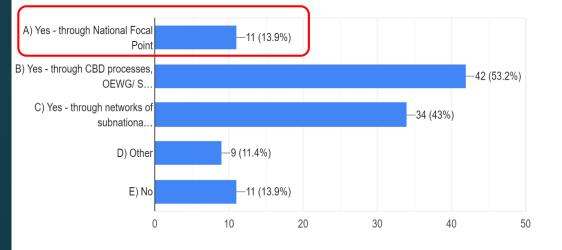
<u>Final Edinburgh Declaration:</u> open for signature

NFP letter: for action by Subnational constituency



## Subnational involvement in Implementation and Reporting





- ▶ 53% have an LBSAP and a further 35% planning one
- Only 35% have contributed to their NBSAP but a further 56% would like to

Only 25% have contributed to their national report but another 68% would like to

## Key Conclusions





- ▶ There needs to be a greater reference to the role of Subnational and Local Government in the whole Post 2020 Framework and an emphasis on vertical integration
- ► The lack of specific reference to some sectors meant that the political hooks for action at SNLG level may be missing
- ► The level of ambition is generally sufficient but this will depend on the outcomes of the final negotiation
- ► The monitoring Framework needs significant improvement and the inclusion of indicators that can be used at all levels
- Subnational and Local Governments are in many cases uniquely positioned to implement the framework (e.g. NBS) going forward and this needs greater emphasis
- ▶ Despite being willing to contribute the majority of Subnational and Local Governments are not directly involved in planning or reporting against CBD commitments.



Promoting the outcomes of the Edinburgh Process

- EP Reports to SBSTTA, SBI, OEWG
- Side event SBI (application pending)
- Draft Decision on Plan of Action and coalition of supportive Parties
- Advocacy by Edinburgh Process Partners SBSTTA, SBI, OEWG COP 15
- ▶ Inputs to the processes on Mainstreaming, Capacity Building and Resource Mobilisation
- But what can Edinburgh Process Participants do?





## Edinburgh Process Involvement

sent to CBD summarising subnational views on the post-2020 GBF and Monitoring Framework

Stepped-up, dedicated Decision on **Subnational Action** for consideration at SBI-3 and adoption at COP 15

#### **Edinburgh Declaration:**

the high level political views of the subnational and local governments on the post-2020 GBF



## Thank you







Edinburgh Process is managed through the Attendify App
For new registrations: <a href="mailto:enquiries-subnationalworkshop@gov.scot">enquiries-subnationalworkshop@gov.scot</a>
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## Edinburgh Process: Consultation Outcomes on the Plan of Action Review Document

#### **Ingrid Coetzee**

Senior Manager, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Solutions, ICLEI's Cities Biodiversity Center



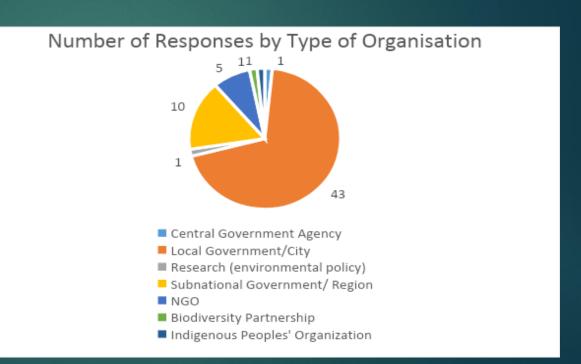






### Plan of action consultation

- ▶ 62 responses
- Majority from local followed by subnational government
- Strong level of understanding of the Plan of Action among respondents





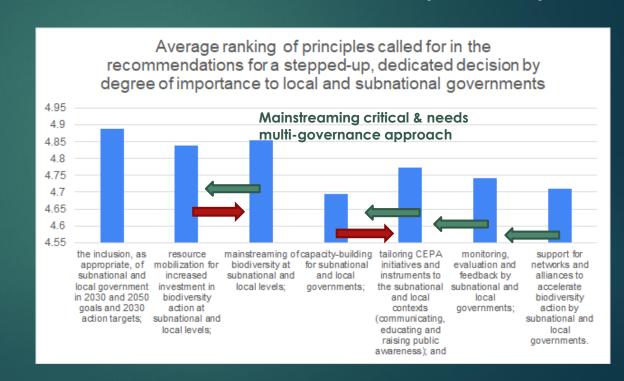






## Looking forward – recommended principles

- Low degree of variance
- Principles accurately reflect interests of local & subnational governments (L&SNG)
- ▶ Re-prioritisation
- Suggestions for additional principals – more cooperation; stronger links with academia to inform decision-making & science-based targets; link to climate change
- Additional comments –CEPA to value indigenous knowledge; L&SNG explicit part of Post-2020 communications strategy; standardize monitoring practices & include citizen science & participatory target setting



## Reflections on degree to which PoA achieved its goals & objectives





#### Level of engagement

Coordination & learnings exchange

Policy tools & guidelines

Awareness raising & CEPA

Leveraging global partnerships

Measurement of local & subnational action

National funding support

#### What worked well?

- General recognition some progress & improvement in most areas but not substantive, did not go far enough &/or not always effective
- Knowledge sharing & peer exchange
- Some programmes highlighted as best practice

#### Areas for improvement

- Need greater vertical integration of policies& plans (NBSAPs in particular)
- Strengthen resource access & mobilization
   & capacity building for local & subnational governments
- Improve integration of subnational networks & global platforms (confusion)
- Need more inclusivity & flexibility of policies
   & guidelines at subnational levels
- CEPA to be developed at each level of government; & address language barriers
- Need more unified & standardized reporting system at global, national, regional & local levels



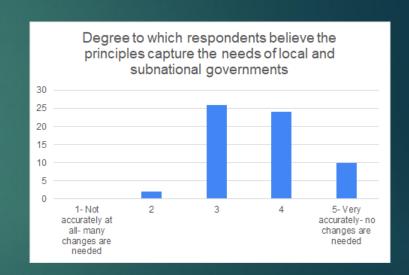






## Key conclusions

- Ambition in current PoA not strong enough need to raise this
- Clear mandate for dedicated & stepped-up decision and renewed PoA
- Stronger recognition by the CBD & Parties of the vital role that local & subnational governments play & call for more inclusion of local & subnational government in policy & strategy development
- Wealth of practical suggestions on enhancing role of local & subnational governments in Post-2020 GBF & strengthening multi-level governance
- Outcomes of the consultation on the PoA will be captured in a Report to CBD Parties to be submitted to SBI-3











#### **Engaging National Focal Points**

#### Mr. Teru Kisuna

Chief Director, Natural Environment Division, Bureau of the Environment, Aichi Prefecture

# Engaging the Parties to follow up the EP

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## 2050 Vision:Living in Harmony with Nature

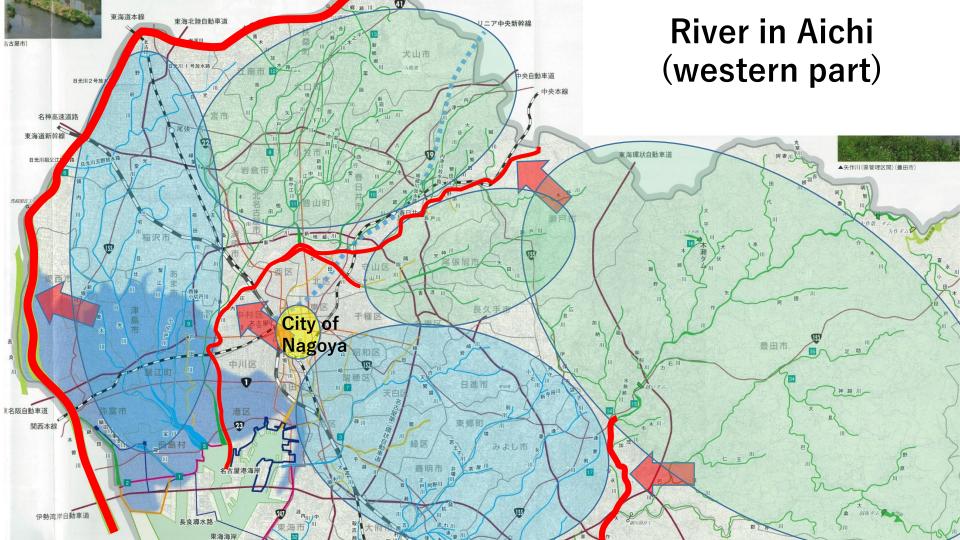


Post-2020 GBF 2030 Milestones & Action targets

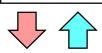


Aims to maximize the contribution of Local & Subnational Governments.

Requests a dedicated decision for Local & Subnational Governments.



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About 1700 municipalitie s (including cities)

Japan's national BSAP: By 2020, all prefectures have developed their SN-BSAPs.

Aichi Prefecture is facilitating municipalities to develop their L-BSAPs



GoLS is now working on a report on Subnational Governments' Experiences on Vertical Integration.







TEMPLATE LETTER: Letter to inform and request support to Subnational and Local Governments efforts in the post-2020 process

#### Dear Madam/Sir.

National Focal Point of the Convention on Biological Diversity,

It is our honour to write to you to share that, thanks to <u>COP decision X/22</u> and its 10-year (2011-2020) "Plan of Action on Subnational Governments, Cities and Other Local Authorities for Biodiversity," many international initiatives, projects, programs to enhance the capacity and effort of subnational and local governments on biodiversity have been developed or strengthened in the past decade, and we would, therefore, like to invite you to join us in safeguardino its legacy.

Each of us has many examples of successful cooperation in the implementation of this and subsequent related decisions, which we will be glad to strengthen with your support. We believe the contribution of Decision X/22 to global biodiversity must be enhanced even further within the new framework to take urgent action across all levels of government, and further engage subnational and local governments to ensure placing biodiversity on a path to recovery and resilience.

Subnational leaders, members of the Advisory Committee on Subnational Governments and licidiversity (AC SNG)- coordinated by Regions4 and the Government of Québec-; the European Committee of the Regions (CoR); the Group of Leading Subnational Governments toward Aichi Biodiversity Targets (GoLS), and ICLEI Cities Biodiversity Center (CBC) have joined forces to create a common position on the development of the Post 2020 Global Biodiversity Tramework that includes a request for a dedicated and stepped-up decision and renewed Plan of Action toward 2030 to be adopted at the 15th meeting of the Parties to the CBD (COP-15).

The Edinburgh Process for Subnational Governments, Cities and Local Authorities on the Development of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, led by the Scottish Government, is uniting the voice of hundreds of local and subnational leaders all over the world, as part of the CBD post 2020 process. As a participant in the process I am honoured to share the results of the Edinburgh Process that include

- a) Our recommended principles for inclusion of a dedicated Decision to be adopted at COP-15.
- b) the Edinburgh Declaration, and,
- c) the Report of the Edinburgh Process.

You may access more information on the outcomes of the Edinburgh Process on the Edinburgh Process website or the Edinburgh Process YouTube channel.

Additionally, we would like to share that we intend to share these outcomes at a side event during the 3" meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI-3) to showcase our achievements, share our common position and create a space in which, together with our National

Annex 1

Delegations, we can envision a Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework that is supportive of local and subnational action.

Thus, we would be honoured to count on your recognition and support of our efforts, as well as your participation at our side event during SBI-3, which we will be able to confirm in due course. We strongly believe that with your support, we can effectively contribute in continuing our efforts to halt biodiversity loss beyond 2020.

Sincerely yours,



Edinburgh Process partners and supporting organizations



















## Mr. Roby Biwer































## SA-EU Dialogue Facility on Catalyzing Local Government Action Post 2020 for Global Biodiversity Framework

A model for vertical integration





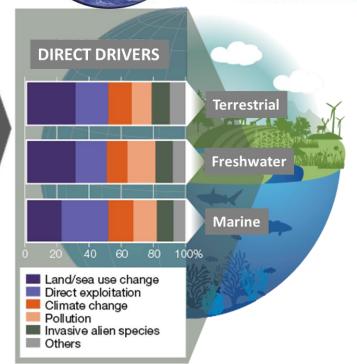
#### **Global assessment key** messages

**INDIRECT DRIVERS** Demographic S and sociocultural **Economic** and technological V Institutions and governance E S Conflicts and epidemics

Life on Earth is deteriorating fast worldwide.

Virtually all indicators of the global state of nature are decreasing:

biomes, ecosystems, species, varieties and breeds



Process for Developing Biodiversity Framework **Participatory** 

**Inclusive** 

Gender responsive

**Transformative** 

- Efficient
- Results-oriented
- Iterative
- Flexible

Comprehensive

Catalytic

Visible

Knowledge-based

**Transparent** 

### Proposed approach for the Dialogue

- Need to ensure a robust framework that recognises the importance of implementation
- Uptake of the Post 2020 global biodiversity Need for rapid implementation of existing instruments and bold decisions for transformative change.
- Cross-Sectoral, Integrated Management at Multiple Levels is fundamental for success
- The Dialogue will provide local government with an opportunity to engage with key milestones and events, stay informed on advocacy outcomes to date, and participate actively in the roadmap to COP 15 processes;
- Bold actions and commitment from local to global levels urgently needed





## Proposed approach for the Dialogue

- The purpose is to: exchange experiences, identify challenges and solutions with a view to raising ambition and advancing their role in the post 2020 agenda.
- It involves six virtual workshops and three physical workshops;
- The dialogue will cover the following key elements:
  - 1) The role of local government on the implementation of the CBD and overview of the Post 2020 GBF, linkages to SDG;
  - Review the Action Agenda for Nature and People, to support the ongoing work on mainstreaming of biodiversity considerations across all spheres of government;
  - 3) Resource mobilisation opportunities for the implementation of the post 2020 GBF al local government level;
  - 4) Capacity building needs,
  - 5) Awareness raising and advocacy: and
  - 6) Commitments.





### **Targeted audience for the Dialogue**







## THANK YOU!

Thank You





## **Stay Connected**



#### CitiesWithNature is a first-of-its-kind initiative that:

- Demonstrates innovative ways of engaging cities and regions, partners and individuals on urban nature
- Provides a platform for knowledge sharing and learning on the critical importance of nature in urban life
- Offers a space for collective action at the local level to realise global impact
- Invites partners to come on board and shape the initiative going forward e.g. the development of a pathway on the critical importance of urban parks
- **Grows and strengthens** a virtual community of practice that is resilient to crises and is not dependent on physical space or in-person interaction
- Facilitates mainstreaming of nature in and around our cities to secure our increasingly urban future



#### Launch of the New Local and Subnational Advocacy for Nature Website







News & resources Get involved

Explore past & upcoming events, webinars, adovacy moments, news & resources...

Events & moments

Resources

The voice of local and subnational governments

This website serves as an information platform to keep our constituency up to date with the latest relevant news, events and resources that relate to local and subnational governments.

Key upcoming advocacy moments



**UN Summit on Biodiversity** ember 22, 2020

The UN Summit on Biodiversity will be convened under the theme "Urgent Action on Biodiversity for Sustainable Development." The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the United Nations Enviro

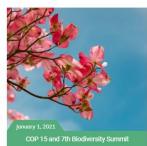


Third meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity

Framework



**IUCN World Conservation Congress** 





Implementation (SBI 3)



In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the dates and format of upcoming events may vary and are subject to change. We will update you with the most recent developments as and when they are available and urge you to seek confirmation on the events' website should you require further detail or clarity regarding changes. Subscribe to our monthly email updates to stay informed of the latest developments in relation to upcoming events





#### Thank You







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## VALUE OF NATURE IN URBAN both possible and worth living. All cities critically depend on healthy interconnected ecosystems within and around them, so it is essential that nature is fully integrated into unban planning and development. There is a growing ungency for collective and large-state action to protect the biodiversity in and around cities to prevent irreversible loss and damage to the natural systems we depend on.