



## Programme Outline

A draft programme outline has been prepared by the conference team as a basis for consultation with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity and other conference partners. The following is based on that consultation draft, and will be revised in the light of advice received. Further iterations will follow.

Tuesday 2 July 2019	
<b>Session 1: Welcome and orientation</b>	
09:00-10:30	The intention of this session is to set the overall 'tone' for the meeting, identifying key issues and setting out how these issues will be addressed. The session is expected to include high-level addresses from Ministers or senior officials from Norway, Egypt and China, as well as keynote presentations from the executive secretaries of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem services (IPBES).
10:30-11:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>Session 2(a): Setting the stage – understanding where we are now</b>	
11:15-13:00	This session will focus on the key findings from the IPBES assessments, and the implications of those findings for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. The aim of the session is to build a common understanding amongst participants on IPBES findings and their implications, noting that other assessments will be considered in Session 3(a) as appropriate. It is expected that a number of presentations will be made on the assessments, and in particular the global assessment recently completed (11:15-12:00), and that this will be followed by a moderated question and answer session with assessment co-chairs and coordinating lead authors.
13:00-14:15	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>Session 2(b): Setting the stage – developing visions of where we want to be</b>	
14:15-15:45	This session focuses on the 2050 Vision for Biodiversity, and on encouraging participants to consider the future that they want to see in that context, and what changes might be necessary in current behaviours in order to achieve this. In doing so the session will draw on scenario and transformative change discussions that have already taken place in the context of the Convention. There will be a number of presentations (14:15-15:15) introducing participants to the topics of scenarios and pathways for achieving the 2050 Vision, the "bending the curve" debate and building links between the biodiversity scenarios and climate shared socio-economic pathways.
15:45-16:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:15-18:00	Following the coffee break there will be an <u>interactive</u> exercise on "visioning the future", where participants will be encouraged to consider future aspirations with each other in round table discussions. This will allow exploration of participants' views on the implications of different potential futures and the possible pathways for achieving them.
<i>Evening</i>	<i>Social event at the conference venue, continuing engagement amongst participants</i>

Wednesday 3 July 2019	
<b>Session 3(a): Achieving change - nature as part of the solution</b>	
09:00-10:30	This session will focus on consideration of biodiversity and ecosystem services as part of the 'solution' for issues and concerns in other sectors. It is anticipated that there will be up to five presentations (with opportunities for questions and discussion), covering issues such as climate, food, health and disaster risk reduction. The intention is that this will increase participants' understanding of the multiple values of biodiversity and ecosystem services. Such considerations will lead to more integrated approaches for addressing the loss of biodiversity and ecosystem services. It is intended this session and the next one will build background for participant input into discussion sessions in the afternoon.
10:30-11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>Session 3(b): Achieving change - moving away from business as usual</b>	
11:00-13:00	The purpose of this session is to consider what is already being done - and what more can be done – to move away from 'business as usual', which has not been sufficiently successful in delivering on the Aichi Biodiversity Targets. Such considerations will help identify what more needs to be done in developing and implementing the post-2020 global biodiversity framework in order to make success more likely. The session will therefore include presentations and associated question and answer on issues such as understanding transformation and systemic change, changing behaviours, and mainstreaming as a key tool for achieving change. It will also briefly consider examples of substantive change in other sectors (such as health or ozone), and how this was achieved. As with the previous session, it is intended that this session will build background for participant input into the afternoon discussion sessions.
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>Session 3(c): Achieving change - building on good practice</b>	
14:00-16:00	Building on the previous two sessions, the purpose of this session is to provide opportunity for <u>interactive</u> and substantive discussion among conference participants, drawing on their own experiences and sharing them with others. It is anticipated that many of these experiences will be drawn from the sixth national reports, but participants will also be encouraged to go further in thinking about opportunities for moving beyond business as usual, and also thinking about nature as part of the solution. Discussion will be in small groups, directed by a professional facilitator, and with appropriate 'kick start' presentations and periodic summaries.
16:00-16:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:30-18:00	Continuation of interactive exercise, with further facilitation, 'kick start' presentations and questions as necessary.
<i>Evening</i>	<i>Social event, continuing engagement amongst participants</i>
Thursday 4 July 2019	
<b>Session 4(a): Developing targets – building on the Convention's experience</b>	
09:00-10:30	The sessions on Thursday build on the work of the previous two days, and will be focused on how to address the issues discussed in the context of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. In this session more consideration will be given to what might be achieved through the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, and therefore what the framework might look like, and what sorts of goals, targets and milestones might be included. Through presentations and panel discussion involving a range of players, this first session looks at discussions so far in the context of the Convention, and the experience from previous strategic plans and targets established by the Convention, including with respect to associated indicators and monitoring.

10:30-11:00	Coffee break
<b>Session 4(b): Developing targets – responding to experience and society needs</b>	
11:00-13:00	The aim of the second session of the day is to focus more closely on the needs, interests and experiences of other relevant processes and sectors, with the intention of identifying relevant lessons, but perhaps more significantly also identifying where a post-2020 global biodiversity framework might support addressing the biodiversity-relevant targets of other processes and organizations, so further responding to societal needs. This deliberately builds on the earlier session 3(a) on nature as part of the solution. Presentations and associated panel discussion are likely to cover experiences and needs of other multilateral environmental agreements, other intergovernmental processes, and the private sector.
1300-1400	Lunch
<b>Session 4(c): Developing targets – identifying what we want to achieve</b>	
14:00-16:00	This session allows time for <u>interactive</u> and substantive discussion by conference participants, drawing not only on the previous two sessions, but also on discussions on the previous two days, and in particular session 3(a) on nature as part of the solution relevant across multiple sectors. Increasing understanding of what we are trying to achieve and how this might be addressed will assist participants in preparing for future discussion on the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. Discussion will again be in small groups, directed by a professional facilitator, and with appropriate ‘kick start’ presentations and periodic summaries. Discussion before the coffee break is likely to focus on setting targets supported by baselines, indicators and monitoring tools, and lessons learnt for the future.
16:00-16:30	Coffee break
16:30-17:45	Continuation of the interactive exercise, with further facilitation, ‘kick start’ presentations and questions as necessary. Discussion following the coffee break is likely to focus more on means for using the post-2020 global biodiversity framework to promote and facilitate making nature part of the solution.
Evening	Social event (tentative), continuing engagement amongst participants
<b>Friday 5 July 2019</b>	
<b>Session 5: Promoting and facilitating action</b>	
09:00-11:00	When the post-2020 global biodiversity framework is adopted in 2020, Parties will also be considering support for its implementation, including through communications and engagement, capacity-building and resource mobilization. This session gives conference participants the opportunity to also consider these key cross-cutting issues in the context of discussion on the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. There will be a number of presentations covering issues such as biodiversity values and communications, as well as on engaging different parts of society, as well as observations from participants on issues relating to capacity-building and resource mobilization that have arisen during the conference.
11:00-11:30	Coffee break
<b>Session 6: Closing session</b>	
11:30-13:00	The primary aim of this final session is to consider conference outputs and how they will be used, including getting feedback from participants on a draft co-chairs’ summary. As part of this session, participants will also be encouraged to themselves follow up on the meeting, and to use the knowledge that they have gained during the work of the CBD open-ended working group on post-2020. The meeting will be closed by a representative of the Government of Norway.
13:00-14:00	Lunch