

<b>Sat 17 Nov</b>		<b>Sustainable Infrastructure</b>	
Exploring the role of sustainable infrastructure in linking major themes and targets of CBD, UNFCCC and other conventions, policy steps to ensure that biodiversity is fully incorporated and protected in infrastructure finance and development, and practical solutions for achieving sustainable infrastructure at all levels, from planning to implementation. <i>Organizers and partners: The Nature Conservancy (TNC), World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Asian Development Bank, UNDP, Global Environment Facility, European Investment Bank, Large Landscapes Coalition, Infra-Eco Network Europe, IISD, Ram Rating Services Malaysia</i>			
13:00 – 13:30	Buffet lunch		
13:30 -14:50	High-Level Panel: Framing a New Vision for the Future of Infrastructure		
14:50 – 15:40	Paving the way: Getting a head start on good decisions through science-based ‘upstream’ planning and policies		
15:40-16:10	Coffee Break and Poster Session		
16:10-17:00	Wild Highways: Securing natural infrastructure services and designing built infrastructure to maintain nature’s flows and connectivity		
17:00- 17:50	Risks and incentives: Steering finance and industry toward sustainable infrastructure		
18:00	Closing Session		
<b>Sun 18 Nov</b>		<b>Africa Ecological Future: For People and Planet</b>	
Launch of the Africa Ecological Future (AEF) initiative on the conservation of nature, biodiversity and Africa’s important natural assets, and mainstreaming AEF thinking into various sector policies like conservation, food, forest and infrastructure. <i>Organizers: WWF</i>			
10:00 – 10:20	Opening and welcome		
10:20 – 11:20	Session 1: setting the scene on africa’s ecological future		
11.20 –12.20	Session 2: safeguarding the ecology		
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch break		
13.30 – 14.30	Session 3: reconciling forest & food– the potential of landscape restoration and food security		
14.30 –15.30	Session 4: cities and infrastructure development in africa – challenges and risks		
15.30 – 15.45	Coffee break		
15.45 – 17.00	Session 5: the future of biodiversity we want for africa - a joint programme to shape africa's ecological future		
17.00 – 18.00	Session 6: the future we want for africa - a joint programme to shape Africa’s ecological future		
18.00	Reception, networking. Participants are invited to bring posters to hang in the Pavilion		
<b>Sun 18 Nov (evening)</b>		<b>Celebrating Innovation in Protected and Conserved Area Financing: Meet the Winners of the Inaugural Pathfinder Award</b>	
18:00	<i>The Pathfinder Award for innovation in nature conservation celebrates innovative solutions for ensuring investment in protected and conserved areas. In this session, experts from IUCN and UNDP will discuss with the award winners what made their approaches successful and how their solutions can be replicated in other parts of the world.</i>  Partners: IUCN and UNDP		
<b>Mon 19 Nov</b>		<b>Scenarios for Transformational Change</b>	
<i>Highlighting the use of scenarios (quantitative and qualitative, across all scales and sectors) as tools for transformational change for biodiversity outcomes.</i>  Partners: CSIRO, DRIFT, IIASA, NIWA, PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, Université Paris-Sud, IIASA			
09:00-09:15	Welcome		
09:15-10:10	Scenarios and transformative change		
10:10-10:45	Coffee break		
10:45-11:45	Shared-Socio Economic Pathways (SSPs) & biodiversity		
12:00-13:00	Bending the curve of 21st century biodiversity trends		
13:00-14:00	Lunch break		
14:00-15.10	Scenario-insights for operationalising the 2050 vision		
15:20-16:30	Interdisciplinary scientific support for sustainability transitions to bend the curve of biodiversity loss		
16:30-16:45	Coffee break		

16:45-18:00	Closing panel CBD Post-2020 and connections UNCCD, UNFCCC, SDG Agenda
18:00-19:00	Reception
<b>Tue 20 Nov</b>	<b>Nature Futures Scenarios</b>
<i>Discussing the IPBES Nature Futures scenario results as tools for exploring policies that enhance the feasibility of visions, identifying pathways and ensuring sectoral and regional relevance of the visions.</i> Organizers and partners: IPBES, PBL, iDiv, NIWA, CSIRO and WUR	
09:00-10:00	What are “Nature Futures” and why do we need them?
10:00-10:20	Coffee break
10:20-12:00	Experiencing the Nature Futures process in a marine context
12:00-13:00	Lunch
13:00-14:00	Experiencing the Nature Futures process in a rural context
14:40-15:00	Coffee break
15:00-16:40	Experiencing the Nature Futures process in an urban context
16:40-17:00	Coffee break
17:00-18:15	Recap on outcomes and their relevance to the CBD Post-2020 discussions, IPBES, UNCCD, UNFCCC, and SDG Agenda
<b>Wed 21 Nov</b>	<b>Rethinking Biodiversity Governance for Transformational Change</b>
<i>Consider how biodiversity governance can become transformative, and where CBD can build on its achievements. SwedBio at</i> Organizers and partners: IDDRI, FNI, PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, Strathclyde University, SwedBio/SRC, UN Environment, UNEP-WCMC, Agence Française pour la Biodiversité (AFB)	
9:00-9:15	Welcome by the organizers
09:15-10:15	Global changes and biodiversity governance
10:15-10:30	Coffee break
10:30-11:30	The conventions landscape in a post-2020 context
11:40-12:40	Human rights and biodiversity: how to design the post-2020 governance system
12:40-13:40	Lunch
13:40-14:40	How to create an enabling environment to engage businesses in the post 2020 global biodiversity framework?
14:50-15:50	The future of biodiversity governance for civil society
15:50-16:00	Coffee break
16:00-17:00	Local governance – the key role of cities and other sub-national initiatives in transformative change for biodiversity
17:10-18:10	Post-2020 – Policy panel
18:10-19:00	Reception
<b>Thu 22 Nov</b>	<b>Protected Areas</b>
<i>Support implementation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, and the long-term strategy for capacity-building which will be adopted at CBD COP15.</i> Partners: CBD Secretariat	
9:00-9:40	Opening Session
9:40-10:40	Technical Session 1: Experiences from Sub-regional Implementation Support Networks
10:40-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-12:00	Technical Session 2: Experiences from Sub-regional Implementation Support Networks
12:00-13:00	Technical Session 3: Protected Areas and Synergies with Other Conventions
13:00-14:00	Lunch & Networking
14:00-15:30	Technical Session 4: Governance and Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures (OECMs)
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break and Networking
16:00-17:00	Technical Session 5: Multiple Benefits: Protected Areas as Natural Solutions
17:00-18:15	Technical Session 6: Strengthening Protected Area for the Future
18:30-19:30	Reception and Partnership
<b>Fri 23 Nov</b>	<b>Building Capacity Beyond 2020</b>

<b>(morning)</b>	
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09:00 – 10:45	Welcoming Remarks
10:45- 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 –12:30	Into the Future: the post-2020 frameworks
<b>Fri 23 Nov (afternoon)</b>	<b>Biodiversity Mitigation Hierarchy and the Role of the Private Sector in Conservation</b>
This session will focus on industry best practice and national policies by exploring one of the tools proven to be of fundamental importance to industry and finance for effective biodiversity management; the mitigation hierarchy. The sessions will delve into best practices in the four stages of the mitigation hierarchy: Avoidance, Mitigation, Restoration, and Offsets. Partners: Cross-Sector Biodiversity Initiative, TNC	
12:30-13:15	Lunch (hosted by the GEF in celebration of the IUCN in cooperation with IUCN Commission on Education and Communication (CEC), Steering Committee)
13:15- 14:00	Panel and Discussion with Audience: Biodiversity Impact Avoidance
14:00- 14:45	Panel and Discussion with Audience: Biodiversity Impact Mitigation
14:45- 15:00	Tea Break
15:00- 15:30	Panel and Discussion with Audience: Offsetting
15:30- 16:00	Coffee Break and Poster Session
16:00- 17:15	Panel and Discussion with Audience: New Technologies and the Future of the Mitigation Hierarchy
17:15- 17:30	Closing remarks
<b>Fri 23 Nov (evening)</b>	<b>Learning from Local Solutions for Achieving Global Biodiversity Targets: The PANORAMA - Solutions for a Healthy Planet Initiative</b>
17:45	Introducing PANORAMA – Solutions for a Healthy Planet, a multi-thematic, multi-partner initiative for learning and knowledge management, its value for CBD parties, and launching a new PANORAMA theme on “Business engagement in nature conservation” IUCN, GIZ, Rare, GRID-Arendal, UN Environment, IFOAM-Organics International
<b>Sat 24 Nov</b>	<b>Health Day: Harnessing biodiversity for healthy and resilient societies</b>
Taking an in-depth look at emerging initiatives, partnerships, tools and opportunities for engagement to support mainstreaming of biodiversity for health with a focus on integrated approaches to health in an effort to maximize ecosystem and human health co-benefits <i>Organizers: CBD Secretariat and World Health Organization. Partners: ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity, Biodiversity and Community Health Initiative, Biodiversity International, Ecohealth Alliance, FAO, FIOCRUZ, Healthy Urban Microbiome Initiative, IUCN, Network for the Evaluation of One Health, OIE, Towards A Safer World Network, United</i>	
9:30-9:50	Welcome Remarks. CBD & WHO.
9:50 – 10:45	Panel 1: Creating healthy and resilient societies: Local Perspectives
10:45- 11:05	Coffee break
11:05-12:00	Panel 2: Harnessing local and national commitments to achieve Planetary Health Mainstreaming biodiversity and health for sustainable development requires collaboration across all levels of governance and sectors of society
12:00 – 13:00	<b>"Lunch hosted by the Ecohealth Alliance"</b>
13:00 – 14:15	Official Launch: 2020 Challenge - Healthy Urban Microbiome Initiative
14:20 – 15:30	Panel 3: Healthy Food Systems for a Sustainable Future
15:30 - 15:45	Coffee break
15:45 - 16:55	Panel 4: Linking public health and ecosystem approaches for the prevention of infectious diseases
17:00 – 18:00	Panel 5: A Post-2020 Biodiversity Framework for healthy and resilient societies
<b>Sun 25 Nov</b>	<b>Agriculture and Biodiversity</b>
The Agriculture Day will bring the perspectives of different stakeholders to illustrate why, how and who are championing solutions to protect biodiversity, while increasing productivity and improving livelihoods Partners: FAO, CBD	
09:30- 10:00	Biodiversity for sustainable agriculture and food security and nutrition
10:05- 11:00	Soil in the nexus: UNCBD, UNFCCC, UNCCD

11:05 – 12:00	Biodiversity for food and nutrition: challenges and opportunities
12:05- 13:00	The power of pollinators to transform the agricultural systems
13:00- 13:20	<i>Lunch Networking</i>
13:25- 14:25	Feeding the planet and protecting biodiversity: can we choose both outcomes?
14:30-16:00	Agroecological approaches and biodiversity-friendly practices to increase productivity
16:00-16:15	<i>Coffee Break Networking</i>
16:15- 17:15	Making the transition to sustainable agriculture: articulation of regulation and incentives at landscape level
17:20- 17:30	<i>Conclusions: Jeff Griffin, FAO</i>
17:30- 18:30	Special event: Launch of UN Environment publication “Mainstreaming Biodiversity in Production Landscapes”
<b>Mon 26 Nov (morning)</b>	<b>Nature-based Solutions for Climate Change</b>
<i>Highlighting ecosystem-based approaches and other nature-based solutions to adapt to climate change, and discuss ways to implement the Voluntary Guidelines for the design and effective implementation of ecosystem-based approaches to climate change adaptation (EbA) and disaster risk reduction (Eco-DRR)</i>	
Organizers and partners: Friends of EbA (FEBA), SwedBio at SRC, GIZ, IUCN, PEDRR, CBD	
09:30-10:30	Integrating Climate Change and Biodiversity in National Level Policy (SwedBio)
10:30-12:30	Implementation of EbA and Eco-DRR across sectors ( <i>CBD and partners</i> )
12:30-13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>Mon 26 Nov (afternoon)</b>	<b>Nature-based Solutions for Climate Change Biodiversity conservation and infrastructure development</b>
<i>EbA Knowledge Day on “Biodiversity conservation and infrastructure development - aligning nature-based with engineering-based solutions for disaster and climate resilience” (FEBA/PEDRR)</i>	
13:40-14:00	Opening remarks by CBD Secretariat
14:00-15:30	Panel Session: Strengthening resilience through better alignment of green and built infrastructure
15:30- 16:15	Market place: Practical examples of nature-based solutions and better alignment with engineering-based solutions for disaster and climate resilience
16:15-17:15	Interactive expert dialogue with participants: How to better integrate nature based solutions into infrastructure planning
17:15	Concluding remarks 6 take away messages for UNFCCC COP 24
<b>Tue 27 Nov</b>	<b>Forest Landscape and Ecosystem Restoration</b>
<i>The Forest and Ecosystem Restoration Day will showcase policy and project-level initiatives that harness the potential of sustainable forest management, forest landscape and ecosystem restoration to advance biodiversity, sustainable development and climate goals in an integrated manner.</i>	
Organizers and partners: Collaborative Partnership on Forests, Global Partnership on Forest and Landscape Restoration, Egyptian Government, Korea Forest Service, Society for Ecosystem Restoration.	
09:00 – 9:30	<i>Opening Session</i>
9:30- 11:00	Taking stock of global opportunities for Forest Landscape and Ecosystem Restoration
11:00- 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30-13:00	Implementing the Short-Term Action Plan for Ecosystem Restoration – Resources, case studies and the role of technical and scientific cooperation
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch courtesy of the Korea Forest Service</i>
14:00-15:45	Cooperation for efficient action on forest landscape and ecosystem restoration
15:45-16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00-17:30	Aligning action on biodiversity with the GEF-7 Impact programmes on Sustainable Forest Management and Food, Land use and Restoration
17:30- 17:45	Closing remarks for the Forest Landscapes and Ecosystem Restoration Day
17:45- 18:00	Closing of the Rio Conventions Pavilion David Cooper, CBD Deputy Executive Secretary
18:15- 19:15	<i>Reception courtesy of the Forest Ecosystem Restoration Initiative</i>
19:15	<b>Rio Conventions Pavilion closing event (TBC)</b>