

Political Monitoring

Biodiversity politics in Belgian parliaments *Questions and Discussions*

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Meeting of the Subsidiary Bodies to the Convention on biological diversity
- Overview -

26th Meeting of the CBD Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 26)



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SBSTTA 26 convened from 13-18 May 2024 focused on the following agenda items:

- Monitoring Framework for the GBF
- Scientific and Technical Needs to Support the Implementation of the GBF
- Synthetic Biology
- Risk Assessment and Risk Management
- Detection and Identification of LMOs
- Marine and Coastal Biodiversity
- Biodiversity and Health

Meeting documents - outcomes

4th Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI 4)



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SBI 4 convened from 21-29 May 2024 focused on the following agenda items:

- The financial mechanism;
- The draft capacity-building and development action plan for the Nagoya Protocol (NP);
- The Clearing-house Mechanism and knowledge management;
- Communication, education, and public awareness;
- Mechanisms for planning, monitoring, reporting, and review;
- capacity building and development, technical and scientific cooperation, and technology transfer;
- Resource mobilization;
- Review of implementation: progress in the preparation of revised or updated national biodiversity strategies and actions plans (NBSAPs) and the establishment of national targets;
- The long-term strategic approach to mainstreaming biodiversity;
- Review of effectiveness of processes under the Convention and its Protocols;
- Development of the methodology for the second assessment and review of the effectiveness of the NP;
- Cooperation with other conventions and international organizations;
- The multi-year programme of work (MYPOW) of the Conference of the Parties (COP); and
- Administrative and budgetary matters.

Meeting documents - outcomes

The political monitoring of the Belgian National Focal Point to the Convention on Biological Diversity carries out research on biodiversity and ecosystem-related topics at the level of the different Belgian legislative institutions: the Chamber, the Senate, the Walloon parliament, the parliament of the Walloon-Brussels federation, the Flemish parliament, the Brussels parliament and the European parliament. The monitoring aims to give a non-exhaustive overview of the different ongoing policy developments related to biodiversity and ecosystem services in these legislative institutions.

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