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## Resource Mobilization

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1. Current financial mechanisms fail in their resource mobilization and governance structures, including ensuring that developing countries, indigenous peoples, local communities, women and youth have an equal voice in decision-making processes. A **new financial mechanism should be established** and the intersessional period should be used to **make progress and define its operationalization criteria**.

- Keep text: *Decision paragraph 19. Decides to establish a dedicated global financing instrument for biodiversity to receive, disburse, mobilize and articulate funding from all sources, under the authority of the Conference of the Parties and to make it fully operational by 2030;*
- Keep text: *Decision paragraph 23. Requests the Subsidiary Body on Implementation to dedicate its seventh meeting to consider the elements in para 21 and report on the progress made to the 17th Conference of the Parties;*

2. Although current pledges of funding at the local level are increasing, national authorities and international organizations still largely control decision-making processes and financial distribution. It is crucial to **ensure indigenous peoples, local communities, women and youth's direct access** to financial resources, as well as their **participation in the financial mechanism's governance structure**.

- Add text in blue: *Decision paragraph 17. Calls upon Parties and other relevant actors to improve **direct** access to and increase financial resources for indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth for the implementation of the Framework;*
- Keep text in green and add text in blue: *Annex I: Strategy for resource mobilization paragraph 4(h) Ensuring timely and **direct** access to financial resources and capacity-building for **indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth**, and other stakeholders;*
- Keep text in green and add text in blue: *Annex II.C Possible criteria for the development of an instrument on biodiversity finance paragraph 14 Equitable, and efficient and representative governance structure, **including the full and effective participation of indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth;***

3. A **human rights-based approach** and **social and environmental safeguards** must be ensured. This addition will highlight States' obligation to respect, protect and fulfill human rights and businesses' responsibility to respect human rights in the context of biodiversity finance.

- Keep text in green and add text in blue: *Decision paragraph 6. **Emphasizes that the strategy for resource mobilization is to be implemented consistent with the considerations provided in Section C of the framework and a human rights-based approach**, [...].*
- Keep text in green and add text in blue: *Annex I: Strategy for resource mobilization paragraph 3(b) The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, **including its Section C and a human rights-based approach**, Goal D and Target 19, as well as Goal C and Targets 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, and 20.*
- Keep references on human rights and/or social environmental safeguards: *Decision paragraphs 9. and in Annex I: Strategy for resource mobilization paragraph 6(a) 11(c) 11(d) 11(f).*

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- **Reforms within the Global Environment Facility (GEF) are urgent to ensure indigenous peoples, local communities, women and youth's direct access to financial resources, as well as their participation in the financial mechanisms governance structure.**
  - Keep text in green and add text in blue: Review of the effectiveness of the financial mechanism Decision paragraph 37. Also requests the Council of the Global Environment Facility to ensure the effective engagement and explore ways for the participation of indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth in decision-making, given their contribution to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity;
  - Keep references to continue and explore ways to support the engagement and participation of indigenous peoples, local communities, women and youth: Global Environment Facility Trust Fund Decision paragraph 7. Global Biodiversity Framework Fund Decision paragraph 18. Further guidance to the Global Environment Facility Decision paragraph 30. Annex I: Strategic considerations paragraph 10(i) 12(d).
  - Keep references to continue and explore ways to continue and improve ways to support capacity-building and direct access to funding by indigenous peoples, local communities, women and youth: Further guidance to the Global Environment Facility Decision paragraph 32. Annex I: Strategic considerations paragraph 12(e).

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- **Strengthening collaboration between the CBD and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) ensures that the CBD receives expert input on integrating human rights-based approaches into its work. This relationship is essential for the implementation of the Global Biodiversity Framework to be more sustainable, fair and equitable.**
  - Keep text: Decision paragraph 21. Invites the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to develop tools and guidance on a human rights-based approach to the implementation of the Framework and to convey the results to the Secretariat;

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**1. The Global Review and Global Report process must be inclusive and transparent.** The full, effective, and inclusive participation of Indigenous Peoples and local communities, women, and youth must be ensured throughout the global review process, as well as their representation in all related advisory bodies. All 'Party-driven' and 'Party-led' processes under the CBD must still ensure inclusive participation of rightsholders and stakeholders.

- Keep text: *Global review* Decision **paragraph 9.** *Further decides* that the global review is a Party-driven process conducted in a comprehensive, facilitative, efficient, **inclusive and transparent manner**, avoiding duplication of work, at all its stages, including when preparing the global report;
- Keep text: *Global report* Decision **paragraph 16.** Also emphasizes the need to ensure balance, **transparency and inclusivity** in the preparation of the global report at all its stages;
- Keep text in green and add text in blue: *Governance for the global review* Decision **paragraph 19.**
- *Decides* that the global review, in particular with regard to paragraphs 8 to 12 above, will be a Party-led process **through the Subsidiary Body on Implementation**, with support from its Bureau, and informed by Party **and stakeholder** submissions and a peer review, as needed, followed by consideration by the Conference of the Parties;

**2. The Global Review, in order to truly reflect collective progress, must take into account the contributions of rightsholders and stakeholders to the implementation of the framework**, including reports developed by them, and not limiting this to information gathered through the commitments communication mechanism.

- Add text in blue: *Design of the global review* Decision **paragraph 11.** *Decides* that the global review, including of the means of implementation, will be primarily based on:
  - (a) National reports;
  - (b) A global report on collective progress in the implementation of the Framework;
  - **(c) Information shared by rightsholders and stakeholders on their contributions to the implementation of the Framework**

**3. The Global Report will be enriched by information from rightsholders and stakeholders.**

- Add text: *Global report structural elements* Decision **paragraph 17(f)** A concise compilation of examples of contributions of relevant multilateral environmental agreements towards the implementation of the Framework, in line with their respective mandates, **as well as contributions of rightsholder and stakeholder groups;**
- Keep text: *Global report information sources:* Decision **paragraph 18(j)** **Information on commitments by actors other than national governments towards the Framework, including disaggregated information on contributions from indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth;**

**4. Next steps must continue to be guided by rightsholders and stakeholders and support their key roles** in line with a whole-of-society approach to implementing the KMGBF.

- Keep text in green and add text in blue: *Requests to the Executive Secretary* Decision paragraph 24. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources:
  - **24(d)** To further develop a mechanism for tracking commitments of actors other than national governments using the template contained in annex II to the present decision **in consultation with relevant actors on the accessibility, usability, inclusiveness, and design of the mechanism;**
  - **24(f)** **To support indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth in sharing information that they have developed to help to inform the global review;**