GBF Monitoring Framework

Operationalizing the monitoring of biodiversity

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Developing the post 2020 GBF Monitoring Framework
**Approach**

- Headline indicators as mandatory (or strongly recommended) for National Reports
- Component and Detailed indicators for more detailed national or global monitoring
- Goal and Target level indicators
- Balance aspiration and feasibility
  - Preference to existing indicators, but not at the expense of attempting to measuring what we treasure
Next steps for the Monitoring Framework

- The SCBD will draft and release a proposed monitoring framework (this will be released for the SBSTTA – dates are tbc, but likely a blended meeting with some online meeting this year).
  - Proposing an expert group to guide the process.
- We (or at least I) am hoping that the Monitoring Framework will be an Annex to the GBF which would make it formally part of the post-2020 agenda (this is a huge elevation of the monitoring work)
GBF Monitoring Framework Expert Group
Expert group

- Small group to enable discussions
- Proposing a mix from NSOs, MoEs and other stakeholders (academics, international organizations, regional organizations)
- Will need a link with UNSC to optimize utility
- Build upon existing biodiversity monitoring initiatives
Indicator methodologies

- Developing metadata to summarize existing indicator methodologies in a simple format (using the SDG metadata as an example)
- Some indicators will require additional methodological development (or refinement to improve applicability for all countries)
  - The expert group would need to identify the pathway for methodologies to be developed/refined (could link with existing UNCEEA groups)
Roll-out

- Expert group would also help identify how to promote the uptake of the indicators by countries, need for capacity building and awareness building.
Thank you