



NOTIFICATION

Submission of the First National Report on the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol

Dear Sir or Madam,

In decision [NP-4/3](#), paragraph 5, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol (COP-MOP) requests Parties to the Protocol to submit a first national report on the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol, as called for in [Article 29](#) of the Protocol, at the same time as the seventh national reports under the Convention are due. The decision also welcomes submissions of relevant information by non-Parties.

Pursuant to the above decision, Parties and non-Parties are invited to submit their first national report online through the [ABS Clearing-House](#) no later than **28 February 2026**, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, and using the submission format available on the ABS Clearing-House at the following link: <https://absch.cbd.int/en/register/NR1/new>. Information related to the preparation and submission of the report is available at [this webpage](#).

Information submitted through the first national reports, as well as through the ABS Clearing-House, will be analysed for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol at its sixth meeting, and will serve as a contribution to the second assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Protocol. Parties are also encouraged to use the opportunity of the preparation of their first national report to verify that their national records in the ABS Clearing-House are complete and up to date. For other queries or assistance, Parties may contact the Secretariat at absch@cbd.int.

Financial support for the preparation of the first national report

Further to the invitation to the Global Environment Facility (GEF) to support eligible Parties in the preparation and submission of their first national reports under the Nagoya Protocol, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) is working on the necessary arrangements in this respect. Therefore, eligible Parties are encouraged to submit a letter of endorsement signed by their GEF operational focal point and expressing their support for the project. The letter should be submitted to UNEP through Mr. Alex Owusu-Biney (alex.owusu-biney@un.org) **as soon as possible**. Kindly note that letters of endorsement **must be received by 30 August 2024** for a Party to be included in the project proposal.

I thank you for your continued cooperation and support to the work of the Nagoya Protocol.

Please accept, Sir, Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(signed) Astrid Schomaker
Executive Secretary

To: ABS focal points and CBD national focal points (where ABS focal points have not yet been designated)