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NOTIFICATION**Sub-regional workshop and dialogue for the Pacific small island developing States:****Workshop on strengthening national contributions to global environmental commitments through the synergistic implementation of multilateral environmental agreements****Dialogue on biodiversity monitoring and reporting****26 to 30 May 2025, Apia, Samoa**

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are pleased to inform you that a workshop on the synergistic implementation of multilateral environmental agreements (26 to 28 May 2025) and a dialogue on biodiversity monitoring and reporting (29 to 30 May 2025) will be held for the small island developing States of the Pacific in Apia, Samoa. The workshop and dialogue are being co-organized by the United Nations Environment Programme, the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) and the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, in collaboration with the Government of Samoa.

The workshop will support the participating countries in developing and harnessing synergies in the implementation of their national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs), revised or updated in alignment with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF), and their nationally determined contributions towards the Paris Agreement. The dialogue will enhance national capacities for the implementation of the monitoring framework for the KMGBF, in particular through the development of a national plan or system for monitoring the implementation of the NBSAP, including the development and use of indicators, which was identified as a key need for capacity development during the previous sub-regional dialogue. The dialogue will also include a training session on the preparation of the seventh national report and the use of the online reporting tool.

The workshop and dialogue are being organized in response to decisions of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity in which it called on Parties to align their NBSAPs with the KMGBF and to take actions on integrating biodiversity and climate change in the revision of their NBSAPs (decisions [15/6](#), [16/1](#), [16/22](#) and [16/32](#)) and to operationalize the monitoring framework (decisions [15/5](#) and [16/31](#)). They are also being organized in response to United Nations Environment Assembly resolutions [6/4](#) and [6/6](#), in which the Assembly called for enhanced synergies for effective implementation of multilateral environmental agreements.

We are, therefore, pleased to invite Parties to nominate two representatives to participate in the workshop and dialogue. It is advised that one nominee be the national focal point for the Convention on Biological Diversity or a government official responsible for leading the work on revising or updating the NBSAP, and the second nominee be the national focal point for the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Paris Agreement. If national focal points of CBD and UNFCCC are the same person, a second participant could be a government officer or expert working on biodiversity monitoring and reporting.

To: National focal points for CBD and its Protocols and UNFCCC of the following countries: Cook Islands, Fiji, Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu

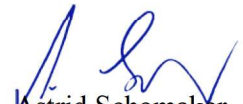
The nomination should be in the form of a letter signed by the national focal point of the Convention or the Head of the competent authority. Information on nominees should be provided in the nomination form annexed to this notification. The form, including full contact details and travel-related information, should be sent to secretariat@cbd.int with a copy to bethuel.tonui@un.org as soon as possible and no later than **11 April 2025**.

Participants eligible for funding will be provided with air travel and daily subsistence allowance to cater for accommodation and incidental costs according to UN rules. Information and documents relevant to the workshop and dialogue will be made available in due course

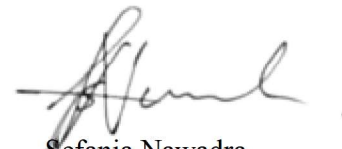
To contribute to the workshop and dialogue, the co-organizers may also invite a limited number of representatives of United Nations agencies, sub-regional organizations and major stakeholders that are relevant to the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and the Paris Agreement in the sub-region.

We look forward to receiving nominations from Parties at the earliest opportunity.

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



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