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**Progress on implementing Resolution XI.6  
on *Partnership and synergies with  
Multilateral Environmental Agreements and  
other institutions*  
(SC52-15)**

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# Background

Resolution XII.3 instructs the Secretariat to:

- Report on progress of implementation of Res. XI.6
- Continue working with other MEAs and international institutions
- Continue its work with the BLG
- Consult other MEAs on experiences hosting high-level ministerial segments.

Resolution XII.7 requests the Secretariat to strengthen partnerships with MEAs such as UNCCD, CBD

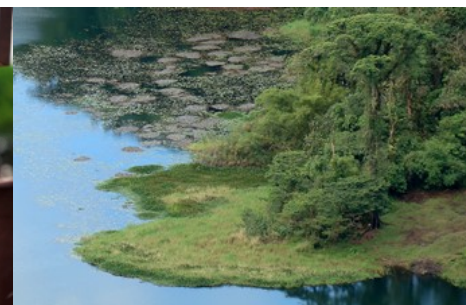


# BLG and biodiversity- related conventions



The Secretariat participated in:

- Meetings and joint actions of BLG according to Plan for Joint Activities – September 2015.
- Workshop on synergies among biodiversity-related Conventions – February 2016.
- South-South workshop “Dealing with Mainstreaming and Synergies among biodiversity related MEAs in the updated/revised post 2010 NBSAPs”.



# Recommendation 1/8 of the SBI

- Welcomes the options for action to enhance cooperation and synergies among the biodiversity-related conventions
- Endorses the road map elaborated through consultations of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation
- invites the governing bodies of the biodiversity-related conventions to:
  - Further strengthen cooperation at the global level within their respective mandates
  - Enhance synergies among them, to encourage mutually supportive decisions
  - Pursue their efforts to align their own strategies with the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and its Aichi Targets



# IPBES



- STRP fully engaged in IPBES
- STRP Chair – observer to the IPBES Multidisciplinary Expert Panel
- Participated in IPBES-4



# Cooperation with UNEP and other international institutions



The Secretariat continues to work with UNEP

- MOU with UNEP – for SC52 approval (annex of SC52-16)
- Work with UNEP-GRID continues on refinement of RSIS and on “Live Monitoring of Earth Surface” project
- Work with UNEP-WCMC for preparation of COP13 NRF-online reporting system



# Collaboration with UNESCO

- Publications produced and a keynote presentation on the SDGs and wetlands delivered to the International River Symposium -September 2015.
- Joint Ramsar/IUCN/UNESCO project on harmonization of integrated management of areas with multiple international designations.



# Plan to increase cooperation with other MEAs



Efforts concentrated on:

- Increase cooperation and coordination in reporting systems.
- Increase cooperation on outreach and communication strategies
- Find options to increase cooperation on cross-cutting issues

Cooperation Activities include:

- MOU and joint work plans with CBD, WHC, UNCCD, CMS
- Other collaborations on InforMEA and Law Environment Ontology project
- Joint Ramsar/UNECE/FAO celebration in March 2016 for World Forests Day





# High-level ministerial segments

The Secretariat consulted the Secretariats of the CMS, CBD, CITES and WHC

- Except for CBD all other Conventions have high level ministerial panels or ministers' roundtables – discussion on specific issues.
- For high-level ministerial segments outcomes are adoption of declarations. For high level panels or roundtables the outcome is a chair's (or joint) statement.
- Opportunities to improve visibility and support but hard to guarantee attendance
- All cases funded by the host country with some support from Secretariats



## Actions requested:

- The Standing Committee is invited to take note of the progress report on implementing **Resolution XI.6 on *Partnership and Synergies with Multilateral Environmental Agreements and other institutions*** and provide advice as appropriate.



# Thank you

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