

Template for submission of scientific and technical comments on Appendix 1 of the recommendation adopted by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice for the Resumed Session of its twenty-fourth meeting

TEMPLATE FOR COMMENTS

Review comments on Appendix 1 of the present recommendation	
Scope of this template for comments	Template for submitting comments in accordance with recommendation CBD/SBSTTA/REC/24/2, paragraph 2, where the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), under the guidance of the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA), invites Parties, other Governments and relevant stakeholders to submit views on Appendix 1 of the recommendation.
<i>Contact information</i>	
Party/Government/Observer	Party
Party/Government/Observer representative	Poland
Comments	
Please provide any general comments on the Appendix 1.	
<p>1. Several of the proposed headline indicators are either not fully defined and therefore impossible to assess, or multi-faceted and involve the use of a wide range of data sources that are not collected by a single institution. This makes it difficult to assess those indicators and will make it more difficult to calculate them in the future. 2. For individual indicators, there needs to be a precise, clear indication of whether they are to be calculated by countries or, for example, by organisations. In order to calculate the value of an indicator, both data and a methodology for its calculation must be available. If it is proposed that a concrete headline indicator is to be calculated at the national level, only those indicators should be selected for which all Parties are able to collect data and are able to calculate the value of these indicators. Only then will it be possible to compile the data and assess what progress has been made globally towards achieving the given target.</p>	