

**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**

<b>Review comments on Appendix 1 of the present recommendation</b>	
<b>Scope of this template for comments</b>	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.
<b>Contact information</b>	
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<b>Comments</b>	
<p>Please provide any general comments on the Appendix 1.</p> <p>In relation to Goal A: WWF recommends promoting to Headline indicator: the Living Planet Index (currently Component Indicator A.4.2). As per our response on Appendix 2, the current set of headline indicators for Goal A does not include an indicator for measuring an increase in species population abundance. This is a significant gap, particularly because species population abundance is an essential biodiversity variable. As a number of Parties pointed out at SBSTTA 24.2, the Living Planet Index (LPI) can fill this gap: it is an established indicator which measures population abundance and is compiled using national data. The LPI is assessed as “meets the assessment criteria” in CBD/ID/OM/2022/1/INF/3. For component indicators for Goal A we propose: the Living Planet Index (forest specialists) and the Living Planet Index (migratory freshwater fish). For target 10 - we note the need to monitor progress on improving sustainability in aquaculture in target 10 - as either a headline or component indicator.</p>	