

# Implementation, monitoring and review

Discussions in group 7 – 21-22 February 2020

- Local implementation - global mechanisms.
  - Need to make global monitoring and review mechanisms useful for implementation on the ground, including by local authorities, cities.
    - learn, exchange experiences, capacity building
    - build support for implementation
    - Ministers responsible for CBD can use it for discussions with other ministers (link to mainstreaming across sectors and policies)
  - Parties responsible for implementing the Convention
  - Take account of Parties' particularities – balance between elements common to all and elements with flexibility for country specific issues.
  - Avoid unnecessary burden – simplicity and focus on key indicators/elements

- SMART targets with clear baselines and indicators, including few headline indicators that are common to all:
  - Transparency
  - comparability
  - easier to report
  - Recognise national reports in global assessments – visible relevance of national reports.
  - Synergies among MEAs and Rio Conventions
- Stocktake
- Ratcheting up at regular intervals

- Periodicity:
  - Review commitments and implementation of commitments at every COP
  - COP every 2 year, or 5-year cycle (with two COPs every 5 years)?
    - Avoid too many, avoid becoming repetitive
    - Avoid losing momentum by too long periods between COPs
- commitments by parties on actions to implement the post 2020 framework on the table at COP16
  - Either in revised NBSAPs or in commitments preceding revised NBSAPs.

- Review:
  - VPR vs expert review: perhaps hybrid model comprising technical and 'peer' representatives. Teams need to respond to needs of the country (full and effective participation by IPLCs, involve stakeholders). Geographical balance: how to ensure participation by all/many?
- Monitoring and indicators:
  - Broad involvement, citizen science (e.g. mobile phones), satellite observation (need ground work/verification as well)
  - BIP indicators, some indicators are already available at global scale.
  - Doing surveys is now much easier, e.g. camera trapping.
  - Role of IPLCs, cities, etc. involvement in work on the ground

- Planning and identify implementation gaps at National level.
  - Make sure stakeholders/actors at all levels are involved. Buy-in.
- Political will:
  - high-level segment (at the end of COPs) should take advantage of outcomes of review, e.g. by making results measurable. Need proper timing of reports and stock-take.