





ONGOING SUPPORT FOR RATIFICATION AND EARLY ACTION

- Part of UNEP's MTS/PoW and integrated into the existing ocean governance workstream.
- Collaboration with DOALOS, UNDP, FAO, IUCN, the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans (RSCAPs), Grid Arendal and WCMC
- Support includes:
 - Expertise in marine biodiversity conservation and ecosystem-based and area-based management.
 - Linking BBNJ objectives with biodiversity-related MEAs and SDGs
 - Policy and legal guidance via Regional Seas for coherent implementation.
 - Information sharing and capacity building.

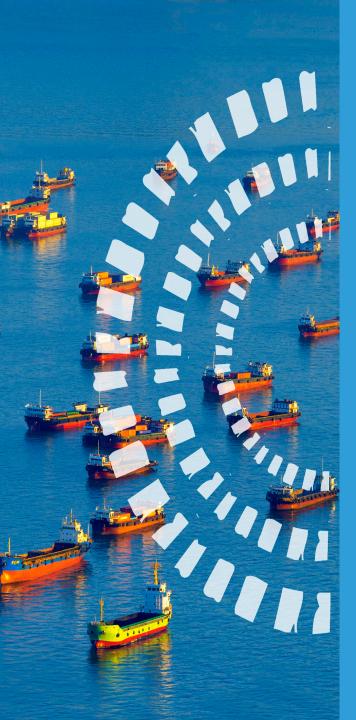


SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL BODY AND OTHER SUBSIDIARY BODIES

• UNEP has established and operationalized subsidiary bodies and is ready to support if requested.

Including

- CBD Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical, and Technological Advice (SBSTTA)
- Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
- Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)
- GEF Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel (STAP)



SECRETARIAT OF THE TREATY

- UNEP is providing secretariat functions for over 15 MEAs and Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans (RSCAPs), as well as scientific bodies in biodiversity conservation.
- If requested, UNEP is prepared to support the establishment and function of the Secretariat, and enhance
 - o Synergies across multilateral biodiversity commitments including helping to gain efficiencies by supporting Parties to align actions on biodiversity commitments (for example, 30x30 and access and benefit sharing).
 - Assist in resource mobilization efforts to ensure adequate financial support for the establishment of the Secretariat.



CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM

- A global mechanism for transparency in exchanging and integrating key environmental information to support evidence-based policy and programme formulation and decision-making processes for BBNJ.
- Member States might consider UNEP to drive the establishment of the BBNJ-CHM and provide the following support:
 - Establish the CHM
 - Technical support for the operationalisation of the CHM
 - Establish a Regional Advisors network of experts
 - Capacity building training, tools and technology
 - Technical advice through the Informal Advisory Committees
 - Facilitate the development of human and technological networks to build capacity of LDCs and SIDS
 - Facilitate resource mobilisation through its convening role and experience.



GEF PROJECTS

- GEF-8 BBNJ Enabling Fund (UNEP, UNDP and FAO)
 - o \$175,000 per country
 - o 25 countries engaged UNEP to date
- GEF-8 Global/Regional Medium Size Project (MSP)
 - \$5 million (UNEP, UNDP, and FAO) in collaboration with DOALOS
- GEF-7 Common Oceans Global project
 - o \$20 million (UNEP, UNDP, FAO, Global Ocean Forum, WCMC, and GRID Arendal)
 - National ABNJ profiles for 14 Pacific Islands and 5 Latin American countries

UNEP will continue to support capacity-building and stakeholder engagement through its convening role



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nairobi Convention WIO Region BBNJ workshop: 04 06 March, Mombasa
- Africa Ocean Governance workshop: 01- 04 April, Dar Es Salaam
- Law/Ecosystems Division online workshop

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- One Ocean Congress Town Hall: How science and knowledge can inform BBNJ ratification and implementation
- Side event: Conserving, sustainably managing, and restoring marine and coastal ecosystems
- Side Event: Advancing the implementation of BBNJ through RSCAPs

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