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Chapter	Page/Table	Paragraph / Section	Proposed changes to text	Argumentation / Comments
Subprogramme 3 : Healthy and productive ecosystems	56	Table	<p>Add achievement, (c) “(c) The development of the new post-2020 global framework for biodiversity is discussed with all biodiversity related MEAs and other stakeholders with a special focus on synergies between the treaties, their secretariats and in the field of the reporting duties by parties to the conventions.”</p> <p>Add indicator to c) “The relevant bodies of the different biodiversity related MEAs have actively taken part in the definition of the new post-2020 global framework for biodiversity. UNEP has facilitated this process. The online reporting tool DaRT developed by UNEP InforMEA is operational. ”</p>	<p>UNEP must play an overarching, coordinating and guiding role in the new post-2020 global framework for biodiversity. Indicators for measuring the synergies process exist.</p> <p>Corresponds to para 80.</p>
Subprogramme 7 : Environment under Review	100	Table (i)	<p>Adjust: (i) Increase Improve the classification of in the number of SDG indicators for which UN Environment Programme is Custodian Agency, for which UN Environment Programme reports data to the Global SDG Database.</p> <p>Same for Unit of measure.</p>	<p>We suggest to adjust the achievement indicator towards the goal to improve the Tier III SDG Indicators UNEP is responsible for towards Tier II or even I. That will be an achievement already and a real contribution towards achieving the SDGs. I does not make sense to increase the number of indicators UNEP is responsible for.</p>

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				<p>The targeted number of SDG indicators for which UNEP is custodian agency seems to be already at 26 according to a presentation by UNEP in July 2018</p> <p>(https://www.google.ch/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=2ahUKEwjF_uSKyL_eAhXDkiwKHcU3DYIQFjAAegQICRAC&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.unece.org%2Ffileadmin%2FDAM%2Fstats%2Fdocuments%2Feces%2Fges.33%2F2018%2Fmtg3%2FS6_2_EN_Environment-relatedSDGs_Billot.pdf&usq=AOvVaw3zb9M_n8Slje9srhcBkd0f, Slide 3) and referred to on p. 103, para 132. iii.</p>
Subprogramme 7 : Environment under Review	100	Table (iii)	(iii) Strengthening of the science-policy interface by countries based on the use of data, information and policy analysis in the areas of environmental performance (such as air quality, water quality, ecosystems, biodiversity, waste and hazardous chemicals, the marine environment and emerging issues, among others).	An indicator which includes an unspecified category such as “among others” cannot be measured. Which other areas of environmental performance are envisaged?
Subprogramme 7 : Environment under Review	100	Accomplishments	Adjust <i>“Governments and other stakeholders are empowered with quality assessments and open access to data and information to deliver evidence-based environmental assessments at the global level and the environmental dimension of sustainable development”</i>	Although we fully support the objective of the environment under review subprogramme to ensure “open access to high quality and relevant data and information.”, we do not agree on the purpose of this subprogramme. This is not just an issue on delivering the

	103	<p>Indicator (i)</p> <p>Strategy (130)</p>	<p><i>Increase in the number of tagged and maintained datasets available in the United Nations system data catalogue enabling systematic user access to relevant data on global environmental assessments and the environmental dimension of the Sustainable Development Goals</i></p> <p><i>The overall objective of the environment under review subprogramme is to empower Governments and other stakeholders in delivering global environmental assessments and the environmental dimension of sustainable development by keeping the environment under review. The subprogramme aims to inform policy action with environmental assessments and open access to high quality and relevant data and information and also on the environmental dimension of sustainable development. Therefore, the subprogramme provides the enabling conditions whereby countries institutionalize SDG method development, data calibration, and monitoring and reporting.</i></p>	<p>environmental dimension of sustainable development, but firstly to deliver environmental assessments at the global level (including strengthening the science-policy interface, delivering environmental assessments, identifying emerging issues and fostering policy action). To that aim, the subprogramme should request from countries that they ensure open access to their data. We note that in view of reaching this objective, it would be helpful to collaborate with the Group on Earth Observations (GEO), one of which aims is precisely to promote open access to data.</p>
Subprogramme 7 : Environment under Review	103	133	<p>Revise:</p> <p>[...] stakeholder action. science-based decision making is making the new mantra in policy making, more and more countries are moving towards integrated data tabulation, monitoring and calibration including monitoring to track progress within their framework of SDG goal achievements. Data and scientific assessments become instrumental in the design of policy making and the quantified impacts on SDG progress towards targets become more inclusive and meaningful.</p>	<p>Incomplete sentences, duplications (science -> policy making)</p>