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Bureau Meeting

Vision and direction for a breakthrough moment on nature for people

The vision:

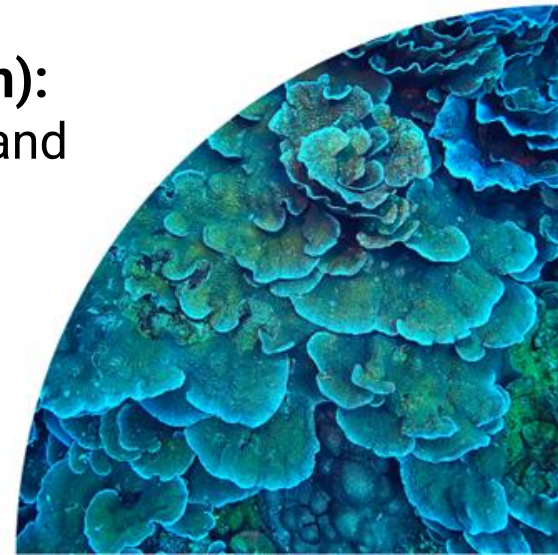
Accelerate, Breakthrough & Connect

- 1) **Accelerate:** Accelerate progress of key initiatives - moving from commitments to **action**.
- 1) **Breakthrough:** Secure breakthroughs on 2-3 key initiatives that would be critical for the MTS's success.
- 1) **Connect UNEA to the World and the World to UNEA:** Design the events / experience to be digital first so that it can leapfrog out to the world



The objectives

- **Secure policy progress & action:**
Breakthrough progress on critical issues.
- **Create a global news headline:** Raise the profile of the solutions.
- **Narrative coherence:** Bring the threads together to make sum bigger than it's parts.
- **High level attendance (virtual or in person):**
which raises the profile and broadens intra and inter-ministerial engagement.



Executive director's report

- **End Sept:** Paper drafted and direction agreed
- **Mid Oct:** Paper shared for feedback, finalised and designed
- **End October:** Moves to translation to be shared with Regional Dialogues
- **November:** Sent to Ministries in advance of UNEA



Key thematic covered

1. Nature for Jobs, Poverty Eradication and Economic Prosperity

- *Building back better from the pandemic by investing directly in Nature.*
 - **The opportunity:** Ecosystem Restoration - a socio-economic imperative.

1. Nature for Human and Ecosystems Health

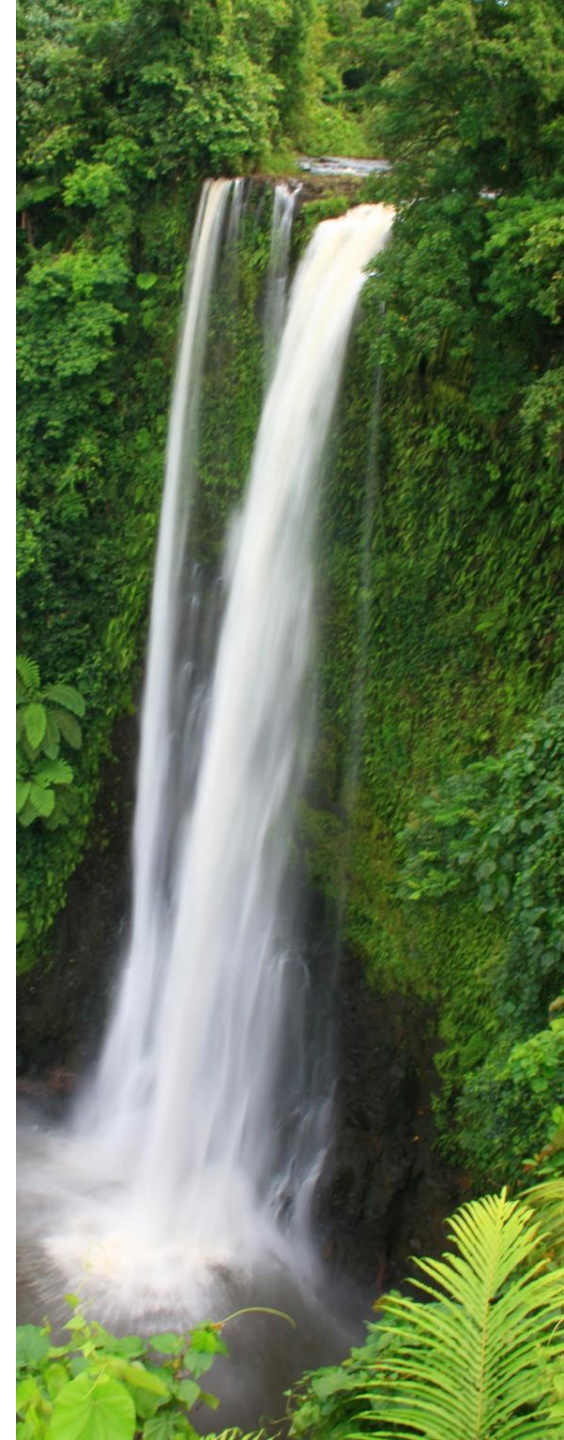
- *Investing in nature can limit the impact and emergence of zoonotic diseases.*
 - **The opportunity:** One Health - for nature, people and animals alike
- *A global agreement on marine plastic litter and plastic pollution: from pollution to solutions*
 - **The opportunity:** systemic change & solutions applied throughout the entire plastic value chain.

1. Nature for Climate

- *Action to match commitments on nature-based solutions and biodiversity.*
 - **The opportunity:** Climate resilience

1. Nature for Sustainable Food Systems

- *Reducing agriculture's impact on nature: nourished people, thriving planet*
 - **The opportunity:** Nourished people, equitable livelihoods, enhanced nature-positive production.



Side Events for impact and action:

- Online first, hybrid for exceptions

Submission Process:

Round 1:

- **15 October:** 1st round of side-event applications closes.
- Deadline extended for diversity of submissions.
- **56 applications received so far.**

Round 2:

- **November:** Second round of applications open
- **December:** Second round of side event registration closes.



Side Event Selection Criteria

Process of selection: Events with an emphasis on delivery/action:

- 1) THEME:** Are they aligned (with UNEA's theme), action-oriented and ambitious?
- 2) IMPACT:** Are they bold and ambitious? How does this event drive the shift from commitment to action?
- 3) CONTENT:** Are they compelling and cutting edge with a balance of voices?

UNEP cross-divisional panel to select the Side Events



Upcoming discussions:

- **Digital transformation:** To accelerate and connect opportunities
- **Youth Forum:** Building out a bigger youth / education vision with programmatic dimensions
- **Science Policy Business Forum:** Integrated thematic opportunities
- **Report outputs:** Providing targeted and timely information to support decisions at UNEA





Questions?