Deep Time 2029: What must we do now, in 2021, to successfully address the Nature Emergency by 2050?

Monday 6 September 11.00 – 12.30; Forum Thematic Stream session; Onsite and Livestreamed

Why attend this session

Negotiating a Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) that galvanises action from all stakeholders – will require extraordinary efforts and political will. Imagining ourselves in 2029, 'looking back' to 2021, we ask what is needed to ensure an inclusive post-2020 GBF that halts the net loss of biodiversity by 2030.

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Brief session description

IUCN is advocating for a post-2020 framework that halts the net loss of biodiversity by 2030, and achieves recovery and restoration by 2050.

A truly global framework for biodiversity conservation must engage and activate all of society; effective implementation will depend on the involvement of all stakeholders / rightsholders. This interactive session will hear views from key stakeholders including the biodiversity-related conventions, indigenous peoples and local communities, women, youth, civil society, lawyers and the private sector on what needs to be done to develop and implement a framework that halts the loss of biodiversity by 2030, and achieves recovery and restoration by 2050.

Partners and participants in the event will be invited to imagine ourselves to be in 2029 and 'look back' to 2021 – and determine what practical steps we can take now, in 2021, to ensure that all stakeholders play their part.

Detailed session description

We face a 'Nature Emergency'. The IPBES Global Biodiversity Assessment, an evidence-based scientific analysis commissioned by the world's governments, stresses that the health of ecosystems "on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever...eroding...economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide".

A complete change to the current way of living - transformational change - is vital to achieve the 2050 vision of **Living** in **Harmony with Nature**. The post-2020 global biodiversity framework needs to galvanise decisive action for nature at scale. This is imperative from local to global levels, from all countries and all sectors across all realms (land, freshwater and ocean) to secure the planet's life-supporting 'safety net'.

The development of a strong post 2020 global biodiversity framework that will halt the loss of biodiversity by 2030, and achieve recovery and restoration by 2050 ('bending the curve of biodiversity loss') is therefore an issue of paramount importance to many of IUCN's Members and partners.

To facilitate such involvement, all elements of the framework should be scalable from global to local and able to be disaggregated to allow any **national government**, **sector or stakeholder** to determine specific contributions towards global targets.

This session will discuss what must be done to ensure the adoption of a post 2020 global biodiversity framework that is truly fit for purpose to engage and galvanise the necessary action by stakeholders and rightsholders.

Post 2020, a truly global framework for biodiversity conservation must engage and activate all of society; it should engage all sectors, embracing both 'nature' and 'nature's contributions to people'. Imagining ourselves to be in 2029, we will 'look back' to 2021 and ask what we need to do now.

The session will invite contributions from participants to add their voice and determine the steps necessary to ensure that we achieve this aim and develop a truly global framework for all of society.

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The session outputs put will feed into the Marseille Manifesto and other messaging regarding the Post 2020 Framework. They will support the debate at the Members Assembly, and be transmitted to the UN Biodiversity Conference in Kunming, China.

Design and format of the session

In September 2021, the "First Draft" of the global biodiversity framework will be available and will have been discussed at the Open –Ended Working Group – 3.1, scheduled to finish one hour before the WCC opens. It will be further discussed and negotiated at OEWG 3.2, in 2022).

This First Draft Post-2020 Framework will be the basis of discussion at this highly participatory session.

- 1. 11.00 11.05: Welcome and introduction to the Session from the moderator (5') **Jane Smart, Global Director, IUCN Biodiversity Conservation Group**
- 2. 11.05 11.13: The WCC: a pivotal moment Bruno Oberle, IUCN Director General DG (8') confirmed
- 3. 11.13 11.21: Looking back at 2021 from 2029: what will we wish we had done? **Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, GEF CEO (8') confirmed**
- 4. 11.21 11.29: What happened at the Open Ended Working Group 3.1: and where are we now? **Basile van Havre Co Chair of the CBD Open Ended Working Group (Video message) (8') Video to be received at**end OEWG-3.1 on 3rd September
- 11.29 11.37: The role and importance of Stakeholders in achieving the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity
 Framework, Elizabeth Maruma Mrema, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity
 (by video-link) (8') confirmed
- 6. 11.40 12.04: Key stakeholder representatives and partners will be invited to make a very short presentation (2-3') of 1 slide each with their views on the draft post-2020 global biodiversity framework
 - 1. Marco Lambertini, Director General, WWF International, co-host of the Post-2020 Pavilion Partnership, a view from civil society (confirmed)
 - 2. Guy Dubonnet, Chief of Unit, Natural Heritage Unit, World Heritage Centre, UNESCO, World Heritage Convention, a view from a biodiversity-related convention (confirmed)
 - 3. Rita El Zaghloul (confirmed) and Adele Fardoux, Co-Chairs, High Ambition Coalition Countries (confirmed)
 - 4. Carla Manjate Rombe, Senior Gender Officer, IUCN ESARO, a view on behalf of women / gender considerations (confirmed)
 - 5. Melina Sakiyama, Global Youth Biodiversity Network, a view from Youth (confirmed)
 - 6. Jennifer (Jing) Tauli Corpuz, Global Policy and Advocacy Lead Policy Advisor, Nia Tero, a view from IPLCs (confirmed)
 - 7. Christina Voigt, University of Oslo; Official candidate for chair of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL), a view from lawyers (confirmed)
- 7. 12.04 12.07: Tom Brooks, IUCN Chief Scientist: how we can measure stakeholder contributions? (3') (confirmed)
- 8. 12.07 12.17: Drawing out some common messages from stakeholder groups through interactive Q & A and discussion (10')
- 9. 12.17 -12.25: Reactions from:
 - David Cooper, Deputy Executive Secretary, Secretariat of the CBD (8') (Confirmed)
 - Amy Fraenkel, Executive Secretary, Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) (confirmed)
 - Martha Rojas Urrego, Executive Secretary, Ramsar Convention, (confirmed)
- **10.** 12.25 12.30: Transmitting the conclusion to the Marseille Manifesto (5')