

Template for submission of scientific and technical comments on Appendix 1 of the recommendation adopted by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice for the Resumed Session of its twenty-fourth meeting

TEMPLATE FOR COMMENTS

Review comments on Appendix 1 of the present recommendation	
Scope of this template for comments	Template for submitting comments in accordance with recommendation CBD/SBSTTA/REC/24/2, paragraph 2, where the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), under the guidance of the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA), invites Parties, other Governments and relevant stakeholders to submit views on Appendix 1 of the recommendation.
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Please provide any general comments on the Appendix 1.	
Indicator A.8.1 The proportion of populations maintained within species is a feasible, relevant, coherent, and responsive indicator of genetic diversity maintenance. Because A.8.1 is complementary to A.0.4 (effective population size > 500), we recommend it as an additional headline indicator for Goal A. While indicator A.0.4 represents the maintenance of genetic diversity within populations—a necessity to avoid inbreeding and support species adaptation—indicator A.8.1 represents the genetic diversity among populations that is necessary for the breadth of local adaptations across a species' range. These are scientifically reviewed indicators and Essential Biodiversity Variables.	