

## Goal 15

**Target number:** 15.9

**Indicator Number and Name:** 15.9.1 Progress towards national targets established in accordance with Aichi Biodiversity Target 2 of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020

**Agency:** Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

**Has work for the development of this indicator begun?** Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity are currently preparing their sixth national reports (<https://www.cbd.int/nr6/default.shtml>) with a deadline for submission of 31 December 2018. In their reports, Parties are requested to provide information on national targets corresponding to Aichi Biodiversity Target 2 (“By 2020, at the latest, biodiversity values have been integrated into national and local development and poverty reduction strategies and planning processes and are being incorporated into national accounting, as appropriate, and reporting systems.”) and to report on the progress made towards the implementation of this target using the following categories:

- ☐ On track to exceed target
- ☐ On track to achieve target
- ☐ Progress towards target but at an insufficient rate
- ☐ No significant change
- ☐ Moving away from target
- ☐ Unknown

Parties are also required to provide additional information, including information on the evidence used in the assessment of this target and, where they exist, indicators used in the assessment as well as rating the level of confidence in the assessment and information on the adequacy of monitoring related to the target.

Once data are available, in the first half of 2019, and an assessment of the comparability of national targets can be made, the methodology for indicator 15.9.1 can be developed.

**Who are the entities, including national and international experts, directly involved and consulted in developing the methodology/and or data collection tools?**

UNEP-WCMC has been commissioned to examine options for analysing national progress reported on the Aichi Biodiversity Targets or corresponding national targets. A feasibility study was presented at the meeting of the Ad hoc Technical Expert Group on Indicators for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 (Geneva, Switzerland, 14-17 September 2015) (<https://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/ind/id-ahteg-2015-01/information/id-ahteg-2015-01-inf-06-en.doc>).

It would be expected that UNEP-WCMC continues to support the development of the methodology for this indicator

**What is the involvement of or how do you plan to involve National Statistical Systems in the development of the methodology?**

National Statistical Systems are not (yet) involved in the development of the methodology.

**Please briefly describe the process of developing the methodology for the indicator**

January to May 2019: Review of data submitted by Parties to the CBD and development of options for indicator methodology

June to August 2019: Expert review of draft methodology

November 2019: Submission of proposed methodology to IAEG and SBSTTA-23

**Please indicate new international standards that will need to be proposed and approved by an intergovernmental process (such as UNSC) for this methodology.**

N/A

**When do you expect the methodological work on this indicator to be completed?**

End of 2019

**Are data and metadata already being collected from the National Statistical System for one or more components of this indicator?**

N/A

**If yes, please describe:**

**How do you plan to collect the data?**

Through the formal national reporting requirements under the CBD

**If the indicator involves multiple components from different data sources, please describe how each individual component of the indicator will be collected here.**

N/A

**With what frequency is data expected to be collected?**

Approximately every 4 years

**Is there a process of data validation by countries in place or planned for this indicator?**

Data validation is an integral part of the preparation of national reports.

**If yes, please briefly describe:**

**If you have any additional comments that you believe would be helpful to IAEG-SDG members in analysing the work plan and methodological development of the indicator, please provide them here:**

*(As of August 2018)*