



## Cooperation for the Convention on Biological Diversity

# Capacity Building Workshop for Hungarian, Romanian and Polish experts and negotiators

## Programme

<b>Date: 15–16 January 2024</b>	<b>Meeting Time:</b> 15 January: 12:00–17:00 16 January: 09:00–12:30	<b>Meeting Location:</b> Budapest, Hungary Ministry of Agriculture
<b>Type of meeting</b>	In person	
<b>Attendees</b>	Biodiversity experts from Hungary and Romania, and CBD NFPs from Hungary, Romania and Poland	
<b>Meeting Objectives:</b>	Introduction to CBD history, mechanisms, processes and challenges, to enhance Central and Eastern European expertise and participation in CBD processes	
<b>Organiser:</b>	Centre for Ecological Research (CER), Hungary Partner: Biodiversity and Gene Conservation Department, Ministry for Agriculture, Hungary	



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**15 January, 12:00–17:00**

**Ministry of Agriculture, Budapest, Hungary (Apáczai Csere János street no. 9)**

<b>Introduction</b>	
12:00–12:45	Welcome snacks
12:45–13:00 Introductory words	<p><b>Dr. Kinga Öllerer</b> – scientific researcher and member of the CO-OP4CBD team (CER), and of the CBD IAG on Technical and Scientific Cooperation</p> <p><b>Mr. Pierre Spielwoy</b> – member of the CO-OP4CBD team (MNHN – co-leader of T4.3 Learning, training and familiarization)</p> <p><b>Ms. Ditta Greguss</b> – biodiversity policy advisor, CBD Secondary NFP, Biodiversity and Gene Conservation Department, Ministry for Agriculture, Hungary</p>
13:00–13:30	Introductions round
<b>CBD mechanisms, processes and challenges – the negotiator’s perspective</b>	
13:30–14:00 <i>CBD decision-making process from internal to external point of view and vice-versa</i>	<p><b>Dr. Didier Babin</b> – researcher with CIRAD (Montpellier), UNESCO MAB-France Chairperson, Senior Scientific Strategic Advisor of the project "Post 2020 Biodiversity Framework - EU Support", former CBD-SBSTTA NFP, CBD Secretariat programme officer and executive secretary of IMoSEB process.</p>
14:00–14:10	Q/A
14:10–14:40 <i>CBD decision-making process from COP to COP</i>	<p><b>Dr. Hendrik Segers</b> – biodiversity science and policy expert, coordinator of the Belgian CBD NFP, SBSTTA NFP, former SBSTTA bureau member, former IPBES NFP, and member of the CO-OP4CBD team (RBINS)</p>
14:40–14:50	Q/A
14:50–15:20	Coffee break
15:20–15:50 <i>Preparation for CBD COP from the perspective of the EU Presidency</i>	<p><b>Ms. Eliška Rolfová</b> – senior officer at the Ministry of the Environment, Czech Republic, former Deputy Chair of WPIEI Biodiversity, EU Presidency coordinator for CBD COP 15 / NP COP-MOP 4 and for IPBES-9</p>
15:50–16:00	Q/A
16:00–17:00	Discussions section
18:00	Dinner – external venue

**16 January, 09:00–12:30**

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08:30–09:00	Welcome coffee
<b>CBD mechanisms, processes and challenges – the ecologist’s perspective</b>	
09:00–09:30 <i>A researcher's inside experiences from global fora: IPBES assessments and CBD negotiations and technical expert groups</i>	<b>Dr. Zsolt Molnár</b> – scientific advisor and member of the CO-OP4CBD team (CER), IPBES GA coordinating lead author, member of the CBD AHTEG on Article 8(j) and the AHTEG on KMGBF Indicators
09:30–09:40	Q/A
09:40–10:10 <i>Indicators for biodiversity framework targets from an ecologist’s point of view</i>	<b>Dr. Joachim Paul Töpper</b> – senior research scientist on indicator development for ecological condition assessments, and member of the CO-OP4CBD team (NINA)
10:10–10:20	Q/A
10:20–10:50	Coffee break
10:50–11:20 <i>Harnessing the participation in intergovernmental bodies: high impact papers, diverse networks, fun</i>	<b>Prof. András Báldi</b> – scientific advisor and leader of the CO-OP4CBD team (CER), former MEP of IPBES, chair of Biodiversa+ Advisory Board
11:20–11:30	Q/A
11:30–12:20	Discussions section
12:20–12:30	<b>Concluding remarks (CER)</b>
12:30–15:00	Lunch and free discussions

