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The resumed session of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) Conference of the Parties (COP)16 agreed on the crucial issues of resource mobilisation, technical updates to the monitoring framework and procedures for the global review of implementation at COP17 and 19. This allows CBD processes to continue and provides wider impetus for multilateral environmental negotiations.

48 Parties submitted revised national biodiversity strategies and action plans whilst 125 Parties uploaded national targets aligned with the Kunming Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF). There is ongoing work in other Parties. Parties also implement the GBF through other policies. The seventh national reports to be submitted by all Parties by February 2026 will allow a more complete analysis.

A further increase of resources from all sources will be necessary for achieving target 19 of the GBF. The Commission and Member States will continue work in this regard, leveraging private finance and public budgets – including through the multiannual financial framework¹. The identification, phasing out or repurposing of harmful subsidies remains extremely important.

The Commission is implementing the updated GBF monitoring framework at EU level. This will continue in the years to come and will support the assessment of progress in implementation of the GBF in the seventh and eighth national reports to the CBD, which are due in 2026 and 2029, respectively. The Commission is consulting the Member States on the use of indicators in view of increasing synergies in the reporting exercise, facilitating this work, maximising coherence and minimising duplication of efforts. CBD COP17 will review the use of indicators at the global level.

¹ https://commission.europa.eu/strategy-and-policy/eu-budget/long-term-eu-budget/2021-2027_en.