Strengthening the National Implementation of Global Biodiversity Targets

Advisory service

The Challenge

In response to the alarming loss of biodiversity and the urgent need to achieve sustainable development for the benefit of present and future generations, the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity have adopted the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) in 2022, setting a series of ambitious global targets for 2030. This decision was historic, not only due toits bold commitment to biodiversity conservation, but also because of its whole-of-society and whole-of-government approach. The GBF highlights the importance of fully engaging Indigenous Peoples and local communities, women, youth, civil society organizations and the private sector. The successful implementation of these commitments requires aligning national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs) with global targets. By embedding these targets into national budgets, work plans and policies, and ensuring their effective implementation we can hope to live in harmony with nature. To secure nature's essential contributions to people, it is crucial to address the biodiversity, climate and land degration crises in a unified manner.

Our approach

GIZ employs integrated approaches to develop demandoriented responses that assist our partners in formulating and effectively implementing national targets. We collaborate with governments, civil society organisations, Indigenous Peoples' representative organisations and other institutions to support the updating, alignment and implementation of NBSAPs. GIZ strengthens capacities at various levels to promote participation and cross-sectoral cooperation in line with a whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach. At national and sub-national levels, we engage through multi-stakeholder platforms promoting inclusive, transparent decision-making and effective action for biodiversity. At global and regional levels, we facilitate exchange and peer-to-peer learning between countries. Our work is anchored in principles and professional standards that ensure alignment with the human rights-based approach of German development cooperation and the GBF.

Our services

In line with the priorities of our partner countries, GIZ offers technical assistance to update, align and enhance the implementation of NBSAPs. This includes:

- Multi-Stakeholder Engagement: As an honest broker, GIZ fosters dialogue and cooperation between multiple actors to ensure broad support for biodiversity action. We strengthen capacities of environmental and other ministries to align NBSAPs with the GBF, implement prioritised measures, secure financing, and enhance their ability to coordinate these processes in a participatory and inclusive manner. We collaborate with organisations representing Indigenous Peoples, local communities, women and youth to build their capacities on GBF-related topics enabling them to engage in regional and national processes and to make informed decisions. Additionally, GIZ facilitates strategic partnerships with private sector actors to leverage their support for biodiversity outcomes.
- Strengthening Synergies in the Implementation of Biodiversity and Climate Policies: GIZ supports partner countries in improving their political frameworks to implement effective instruments that strengthen climate resilience whilst also protecting biodiversity. We put emphasis on practices and strategies that improve the resilience, equity, and sustainability of agriculture and food systems.
- "30x30" Conservation Solutions Meeting People's Needs: GIZ supports its partner countries in identifying pathways to contribute to the global target of conserving 30% of the earth's land and sea by 2030. Our emphasis



is on more effectively managed and equitably governed protected areas and the identification of other effective area-based conservation measures (OECM) recognizing and respecting the rights of Indigenous Peoples and local communities.

- **Biodiversity and Benefit-Sharing:** GIZ offers triedand-tested support concepts to ensure value chains contribute to conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and are compliant with applicable international access and benefit-sharing (ABS) instruments. We advise on the integration of ABS provisions into NBSAP revisions.
- Enhanced Monitoring: Environmental ministries in partner countries receive support to align the monitoring of their targets with the GBF monitoring framwork.

The benefits

Our services help partner countries transition more rapidly and effectively from policy-making to implementing prioritised measures, resulting in tangible actions on the ground. By doing so, countries are better equipped to achieve the goals of their NBSAPs and to protect their unique biodiversity for present and future generations. GIZ is currently implementing over 150 biodiversityfocused projects across 100 countries, collaborating with a large network of local and international implementation partners. Our interdisciplinary teams and local staff bring extensive experience and are trusted partners of both governmental and non-governmental organizations.

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As an active partner of the NBSAP Accelerator Partnership and the PANORAMA Solutions network, we provide knowledge management support and facilitate peer-topeer learning to enhance implementation and upscaling of nature-positive actions.

Examples from the field

The GIZ global project "Strengthening national implementation of global biodiversity targets", funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and Norway operates in 8 countries. It supported the Brazilian Ministry of Climate Change and Environment in the design and facilitation of national and provincial consultation workshops. The events allowed Indigenous Peoples, Afro-Brazilian and rural communities to present their priorities for the revised NBSAP. The project further supports Brazil in the rapid implementation of prioritized actions in collaboration with relevant stakeholders.

In Indonesia, GIZ, through a bilateral project commissioned by the German Federal Ministry of the Environment (BMUV), supported the government in revising the NBSAP and in its launch in August 2024. The project helped to develop a monitoring mechanism to track biodiversity management efforts in national development planning and budgets. Additionally, GIZ has advised the Ministry of Environment and Forestry on climate change policies, including the latest NDC revision, and provided related capacity-building support. With a longstanding project portfolio, GIZ has collaborated with stakeholders at various levels to conserve Indonesia's diverse tropical rainforests to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve people's livelihoods.