



## **SBSTTA 25**

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### **Agenda Item 3.c Approaches to identifying scientific and technical needs to support the implementation of the Framework, 15 October, 2023**

Thanks, Chair

I am speaking on behalf of the UNCBD Women's Caucus.

We welcome the recognition that there is a need for Guidance on addressing gender considerations in the context of various biomes and thematic issues. But those are not the only elements that should be addressed in order to provide Parties with enough elements, tools and information to implement Target 23 fully and the Gender Plan of Action; which should be noted, was not included in this rapid review.

We recommend that scientific and technical input on other gaps of knowledge, capacity and data, regarding gender dynamics beyond just agriculture, protected areas, or biomes should be integrated into the Guidance to be developed to address the overarching gaps mentioned in Para 17.

Parties can greatly benefit from comprehensive guidance and support to ensure a more successful implementation of both Target 23 and the Gender Plan of Action, for that, the CBD Women's Caucus is in position to collaborate.

Furthermore, Section C introduces new principles related to Human Rights Based Approach and the Right to a Healthy Environment, and there are several other innovative elements within the targets, for which there is guidance and technical support that must be developed and provided.

We encourage Parties to put emphasis on closing these knowledge and capacity gaps to ease and strengthen their implementation of the KM-GBF.

Thank you,