IPBES 4-4: Communication, stakeholder engagement and strategic partnerships

The Plenary,

Recognizing the importance of stakeholder engagement and strategic partnerships for the success of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services in seeking to strengthen the science-policy interface,

I

Communications and outreach strategy

Takes note of progress made regarding the communication and outreach strategy;¹

II

Stakeholder engagement strategy

1. Takes note of the progress made by the stakeholders of the Platform in, and the in-kind contributions made towards, the self-organization and structuring of an open-ended network of stakeholders since the third session of the Plenary;²

2. Welcomes strategic partnerships between open-ended networks of stakeholders and the Platform;

3. Requests the Executive Secretary to collaborate with the open-ended networks of stakeholders, undertake the activities set out in the initial implementation plan of the stakeholder engagement strategy³ and finalize the institutional arrangements needed to establish such strategic partnerships;

III

Guidance on strategic partnerships

1. Requests the Executive Secretary to finalize memoranda of cooperation with the secretariats of the individual multilateral environmental agreements related to biodiversity and ecosystem services and the secretariat of the Platform;

2. Requests the Executive Secretary to report to the Plenary at its fifth session and regularly thereafter on outreach and collaboration with other relevant international bodies;

¹ IPBES/4/INF/15.
² IPBES/4/INF/16.
³ Decision IPBES-3/4, annex II, appendix.