

Decision IPBES-7/2: Review of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services at the conclusion of its first work programme

The Plenary,

Welcoming the report of the Executive Secretary on the implementation of the first work programme of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services,¹

Acknowledging with appreciation the outstanding contributions made by all experts involved in the implementation of the first work programme, and thanking them and their institutions for their unwavering commitment thereto,

Recalling its decision IPBES-5/2, in which it approved the terms of reference for the review of the Platform at the conclusion of its first work programme,

Recalling also section VIII of its decision IPBES-6/1, in which it took note of the report prepared by the internal review team,²

1. *Takes note* of the activities undertaken to implement the recommendations from the report prepared by the internal review team;³

2. *Welcomes* the report on the review of the Platform at the conclusion of its first work programme by the review panel;⁴

3. *Also welcomes* the response by the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel and the Bureau⁵ and the response by the Executive Secretary⁶ to the report referred to in paragraph 2 of the present decision;

4. *Requests* the Bureau, the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel and the Executive Secretary, in accordance with their respective mandates, to take the recommendations made by the review panel⁷ into account in the implementation of the rolling work programme of the Platform up to 2030 and to identify solutions and/or issues for the Plenary to consider at its eighth session;

5. *Encourages* members and observers that are allowed enhanced participation in accordance with decision IPBES-5/4 to use the findings and recommendations contained in the report on the review to inform their decisions and other interactions with the Platform and to support the implementation of the work programme of the Platform.

¹ IPBES/7/2.

² IPBES/6/INF/32.

³ IPBES/7/INF/17.

⁴ IPBES/7/INF/18.

⁵ IPBES/7/INF/19.

⁶ IPBES/7/INF/20.

⁷ See IPBES/7/5.