

Proposals by the Delegation of the Islamic Republic of IRAN

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Focus area 13. Conservation and sustainable use of marine resources, oceans and seas

Take urgent and significant actions for the conservation and sustainable use of marine resources, oceans and seas

- a) by 2030, prevent, control and reduce by x% marine pollution and marine disposal of waste and tailings, including from land-based activities¹
- b) by 2030, restore and protect marine ecosystems from destruction², including by halting and preventing ocean acidification³
- c) by 2030, regulate harvesting to restore fish stocks to ecologically safe levels that can produce maximum sustainable yield⁴, and support sustainable small-scale fisheries⁵
- d) develop and ensure the full implementation of existing regional and international regimes governing oceans and seas **by their state parties**, including for resources in areas beyond national jurisdictions⁶
- e) by 2020, eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing⁷ and destructive fishing practices⁸
- f) establish ~~M~~marine ~~P~~protected ~~A~~areas, ~~consistent with international law~~⁹
- g) by 2030, eliminate fishing subsidies which contribute to overcapacity and overfishing¹⁰ **in accordance with the international agreements.**

Appropriate means of implementation

Focus area 14. Ecosystems and biodiversity

Protect and restore terrestrial ecosystems and halt all biodiversity loss

- a) by 2020 halt the loss of all biodiversity, including habitats, and protect threatened species¹¹
- b) by 2020 ensure conservation and sustainable use of ecosystems, including through restoration of degraded critical ecosystems¹²
- c) maintain genetic diversity of both farmed species and their wild relatives¹³
- d) by 2030, ensure sustainable management of all forests¹⁴ and mountain ecosystems,¹⁵ halting deforestation and increasing reforestation¹⁶, **restoring degraded forest ecosystems and increasing area of protected forests** by x% by 2030,
- ~~e) achieve a land degradation neutral world¹⁷.~~
- f) ensure fair and equitable sharing of benefits derived from ~~natural assets, including~~ genetic resources¹⁸

g) Alt. ensuring fair and equitable sharing of the benefits from the utilization of genetic resources;

- g) end poaching and trafficking of endangered species¹⁹
- h) by 2030, eliminate invasive alien species²⁰
- i) ensure inclusion of indigenous and local communities in decision making, and promote traditional knowledge of indigenous peoples²¹
- j) **ensure that the outcomes of research and knowledge creation are accessible to developing countries**
 - a) **enhance access to science, engineering and technical skills, and innovations for developing countries;**
 - b) **commit to help developing countries in enhancing their capacities and ensure affordable access to related know-how, science, technologies, and innovations by developing countries;**
 - c) **reinforce incentives for developing countries to advance sustainable forests management and enhancement of forest carbon stocks**

Appropriate means of implementation

¹ PSIDS, Italy/Spain/Turkey, US/Canada/Israel, Australia/Netherlands/UK, Cyprus/Singapore/UAE, Denmark/Ireland/Norway, France/Germany/Switzerland, Poland/Romania, Colombia/Guatemala, Japan, Bangladesh, Greece. Barbados. MG MG Women, NGOs, Indigenous peoples, and other Stakeholders

² AOSIS, PSIDS, LDCs, Italy/Spain/Turkey, Denmark/Ireland/Norway, France/Germany/Switzerland, Cyprus/Singapore/UAE, Poland/Romania, Bangladesh, MG Women, NGOs, Indigenous peoples, and other Stakeholders

³ G77. AOSIS, PSIDS, US/Canada/Israel, France/Germany/Switzerland, Denmark/Ireland/Norway, Cyprus/Singapore/UAE, Poland/Romania, Bangladesh, Barbados

⁴ AOSIS, PSIDS, US/Canada/Israel. Australia/Netherlands/UK, Denmark/Ireland/Norway, France/Germany/Switzerland, Brazil/Nicaragua, Palau, Greece, MG Women, NGOs, Indigenous peoples, and other Stakeholders

⁵ PSIDS, Peru/Mexico, Poland/Romania, Montenegro/Slovenia, Barbados

⁶ PSIDS, Greece

⁷ PSIDS, Australia/Netherlands/UK, US/Canada/Israel, Denmark/Ireland/Norway, France/Germany/Switzerland, Bangladesh, Barbados, MGWomen, NGOs, Indigenous peoples, and other Stakeholders

⁸ PSIDS, US/Canada/Israel, Australia/Netherlands/UK, Denmark/Ireland/Norway, Barbados

⁹ AOSIS, PSIDS, US/Canada/Israel, Cyprus/Singapore/UAE, Australia/Netherlands/UK, Colombia/Guatemala, Montenegro/Slovenia, Bangladesh, MG Women, NGOs, Indigenous peoples, and other Stakeholders

¹⁰ PSIDS, Australia/Netherlands/UK, US/Canada/Israel, Poland/Romania, Barbados

¹¹ G77; US/Canada/Israel; France/Germany/Switzerland; Barbados; Gabon; Bangladesh; Cape Verde.

¹² France/Germany/Switzerland; Denmark/Ireland/Norway; Peru/Mexico; Colombia/Guatemala;

Montenegro/Slovenia; Poland/Romania; Bangladesh; Gabon; Morocco; Southern Africa group

¹³ France/Germany/Switzerland; Denmark/Ireland/Norway; Montenegro/Slovenia.

¹⁴ G77, Republic of the Congo/Central African group, France/Germany/Switzerland, US/Canada/Israel, Italy/Spain/Turkey, Montenegro/Slovenia, Peru/Mexico, Croatia/Bulgaria, Bangladesh, Costa Rica, Gabon.

¹⁵ Italy/Spain/Turkey, Montenegro/Slovenia, Poland/Romania, Mexico/Peru, Bhutan, Nepal, Gabon

¹⁶ Republic of the Congo/Central African group, Denmark/Ireland/Norway, France/Germany/Switzerland, China/Indonesia/Kazakhstan, Australia/Netherlands/UK, US/Canada/Israel, Italy/Spain/Turkey, Peru/Mexico, Poland/Romania, Colombia/Guatemala, Croatia/Bulgaria, Bangladesh, Barbados.

¹⁷ Iceland, Algeria, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Kyrgistan, Mongolia, Namibia, Qatar and Republic of Korea (Group of Friends on Desertification, Land Degradation and Drought), Italy/Spain/Turkey, France/Germany/Switzerland, Australia/Netherlands/UK, US/Canada/Israel, Poland/Romania, , Colombia/Guatemala, Croatia/Bulgaria, Peru/Mexico, Bangladesh, Barbados

¹⁸ Republic of the Congo/Central African group, France/Germany/Switzerland, Bangladesh, Barbados.

¹⁹ US/Canada/Israel, France/Germany/Switzerland, Denmark/Ireland/Norway, Australia/Netherlands/UK, Republic of the Congo/Central African group, Poland/Romania, Peru/Mexico, Barbados, Gabon.

²⁰ Denmark/Ireland/Norway, Montenegro/Slovenia, Bangladesh.

²¹ Peru/Mexico, Poland/Romania, Bangladesh, Cape Verde.