The ingredients for a successful GBF



Target 19.2: Other resources

Elements that should be part of the target

• Technology horizon scanning, monitoring, and assessment

Broadly scoped research into future technologies that are still on the horizon and the assessment and ongoing monitoring of technologies in development are essential to ensuring that their potential risks for biodiversity are addressed and that existing technologies, practices and knowledge systems are explored as potential alternatives that are more able to conserve biodiversity.

The addition of this wording to Target 19.2 would be in accordance with Articles 7 and 14 of the Convention, which mandate Parties to carry out the identification of processes and categories of activities which have or are likely to have significant adverse impacts on biological diversity, and to monitor their effects, and to conduct impact assessments. It would also be in accordance with Article 16 of the Convention, which stipulates that technologies that are accessed and transferred "do not cause significant damage to the environment".

Elements that should NOT be part of the target

Innovation

This word can signal a desire to avoid tackling the real issues of biodiversity loss by promoting a 'technical fix' for a problem

• Access to and transfer of technology, and promote development and access to innovation Such language could open the way to the imposition of untried innovations and technologies that could further damage biodiversity