

**COP 13 Side Event #1839**  
**Friday 9 December 2016, 13:15-14:45**  
Room SE1, Universal Building, main floor

## **Aichi Biodiversity Target 6 on Sustainable Fisheries: Improving reporting & working towards implementation**

*Organized by The Fisheries Expert Group of the IUCN CEM, FAO, CBD Secretariat, and the European Bureau for Conservation and Development (EBCD)*



### **BACKGROUND**

Building on previous and ongoing collaboration among the Biodiversity Indicators Partnership, this event highlights on-going work by IUCN-Fisheries Expert Group, the European Bureau for Conservation and Development, the CBD Secretariat and FAO in developing advice for indicators and implementation of measuring progress against Aichi Target 6:

*“By 2020 all fish and invertebrate stocks and aquatic plants are managed and harvested sustainably, legally and applying ecosystem based approaches, so that overfishing is avoided, recovery plans and measures are in place for all depleted species, fisheries have no significant adverse impacts on threatened species and vulnerable ecosystems and the impacts of fisheries on stocks, species and ecosystems are within safe ecological limits”.*

Reporting of Aichi Target 6 requires advice for States on indicators that enable comparable national assessments of progress towards this target and methods for implementation.

The side event will give an overview of where we have come from, where we are now and what is needed for the future. It will present results from an ‘*Expert Meeting on Improving Progress Reporting and Working towards Implementation of Aichi Biodiversity target 6*’ convened jointly by FAO, CBD Secretariat, IUCN-CEM-FEG, and EBCD, in Rome from 9-11 of February 2016, and discuss indicators and actions that may be used by Parties, other Governments, and relevant organizations to accelerate, monitor and report on progress towards the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Target 6.

The side event will also offer an opportunity for discussion over potential ways and means to further enhance collaboration and cooperation to support the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Target 6.

## PROGRAMME

### **13.15 *Welcome and introduction – Co-Chairs Jake Rice and Kim Friedman***

Target 6. Its importance for global understanding of conservation and sustainable use of ocean biodiversity by fisheries, including human dimensions.

### **13:20 *History of this global target - Joseph Appiott***

Setting the scene – how did we get here – what have we learnt from experience in setting up the framework – National reporting processes under the CBD – Linkages to other relevant processes (e.g., Sustainable Development Goals)

### **13.30 *Reporting on Target 6 implementation: Collaboration between CBD and FAO – Serge, M. Garcia***

Presentation of the process and main conclusions of the FAO-CBD-FEG Expert Meeting on improving progress reporting and working towards implementation of Aichi Target 6 (Rome, 9-11/02/2016).

### **13.40 *Refinement of current working solutions – Kim Friedman***

What has been proposed, what is immediately possible, and what is possible with more investment in delivery of this story for 2020.

### **13.50 *Conclusion - Jake Rice***

Wrap up of “Needs – History – Potential – Progress”, looking forward.

### **13.55 *Discussion***

Light lunch will be served.

