



Building Synergies between Rio Conventions in NBSAPs

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Why Synergies? Why Now?

- Working in silos is no longer viable
- Climate change, biodiversity loss, and land degradation are interconnected
- Integrated approaches are essential for resilient, impactful policy



Global Mandates Calling for Integration

- UNFCCC SB62: biodiversity in NDCs and NAPs
- CBD COP16: cross-convention cooperation
- Global mandates support aligned implementation of GBF, Paris Agreement, and UNCCD targets



Synergy Moments in the NBSAP Journey

- Opportunities for alignment exist throughout the NBSAP cycle
- Critical during national target setting and alignment with SDGs
- Early integration makes coordination sustainable



What We're Learning from Countries

- **Colombia:** joint planning across ministries for NBSAP-NDC alignment
- **Sierra Leone:** cross-ministerial implementation group meets biweekly
- **Intentional coordination becomes catalytic**



NBSAP AP Tools

- **Matchmaking Mechanism:** connects country needs with partners
- **Facilitator Programme:** embeds experts for in-country support
- **Tools enable real-world policy alignment and implementation**



Vanuatu & Pacific Insights

- **Vanuatu:** biodiversity-climate monitoring system
- **Samoa & Tonga:** harmonized reporting under MEAs
- SIDS lead in cross-convention integration despite vulnerabilities



Global Guidance to Support Countries

- GIZ/IISD/WWF policy checklist on climate-nature synergies
- UNEP, CBD, UNFCCC papers
- Nature4Climate guidance
- **Examples:**
 - **UK's** cross-government delivery
 - **China's** 5-Year Plan integrating all 3 Conventions



A Vision for the Future

- Synergies amplify impact—not just save resources
- NBSAP AP supports shift from pilots to systems change
- **Integration is key to durable, scalable results**



Thank You & Q&A

- **Synergies = clarity, not complexity**
- **Whole-of-government & whole-of-society benefits**
- NBSAP AP stands ready to help
- **From coordination → convergence → impact**





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