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## NOTIFICATION

### **16<sup>th</sup> Focal Point Forum of the Nairobi work programme Understanding and closing adaptation knowledge gaps in mountains, high-latitude areas, and the cryosphere 2 December 2023**

I am pleased to notify United Nations organizations and admitted intergovernmental organizations that the **16<sup>th</sup> Focal Point Forum of the Nairobi work programme (NWP)** will be held during the 28<sup>th</sup> session of the Conference of the Parties in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates, on 2 December 2023 from 09:30 to 11:00 (GST/UTC+4). This event is open to all COP28 registered participants.

The 16<sup>th</sup> Focal Point Forum<sup>1</sup> will be held under the guidance of the Chair of the SBSTA and will focus on understanding and closing adaptation knowledge gaps in mountains, high-latitude areas, and the cryosphere as priority thematic areas under the NWP. The Forum will foster the engagement of government representatives including UNFCCC national focal points, NWP partner organizations, thematic experts, Indigenous Peoples, and local communities, as well as those from developing countries to address knowledge gaps to scale up adaptation action in countries and regions with mountains, high-latitude areas, and the cryosphere.

Further details of the Forum will be available on a [dedicated webpage](#).

To participate, kindly RSVP [here](#) by **Friday, 17 November**. For further questions regarding the Forum, please contact the NWP team at [nwp@unfccc.int](mailto:nwp@unfccc.int).

Yours sincerely,

*(signed by)*

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**Distribution:** To United Nations Secretariat units and bodies, specialized agencies and related organizations and intergovernmental organizations admitted as observers by the Conference of the Parties.

<sup>1</sup> The Focal Point Forum was initially mandated by the SBSTA at its 28<sup>th</sup> session ([FCCC/SBSTA/2008/6](#)) for the secretariat to regularly organize focal point forums with representatives from interested Parties during the sessions of the Conference of Parties (COP). The topic for the 16<sup>th</sup> Focal Point Forum was mandated by SBSTA 58 ([FCCC/SBSTA/2023/4](#)).