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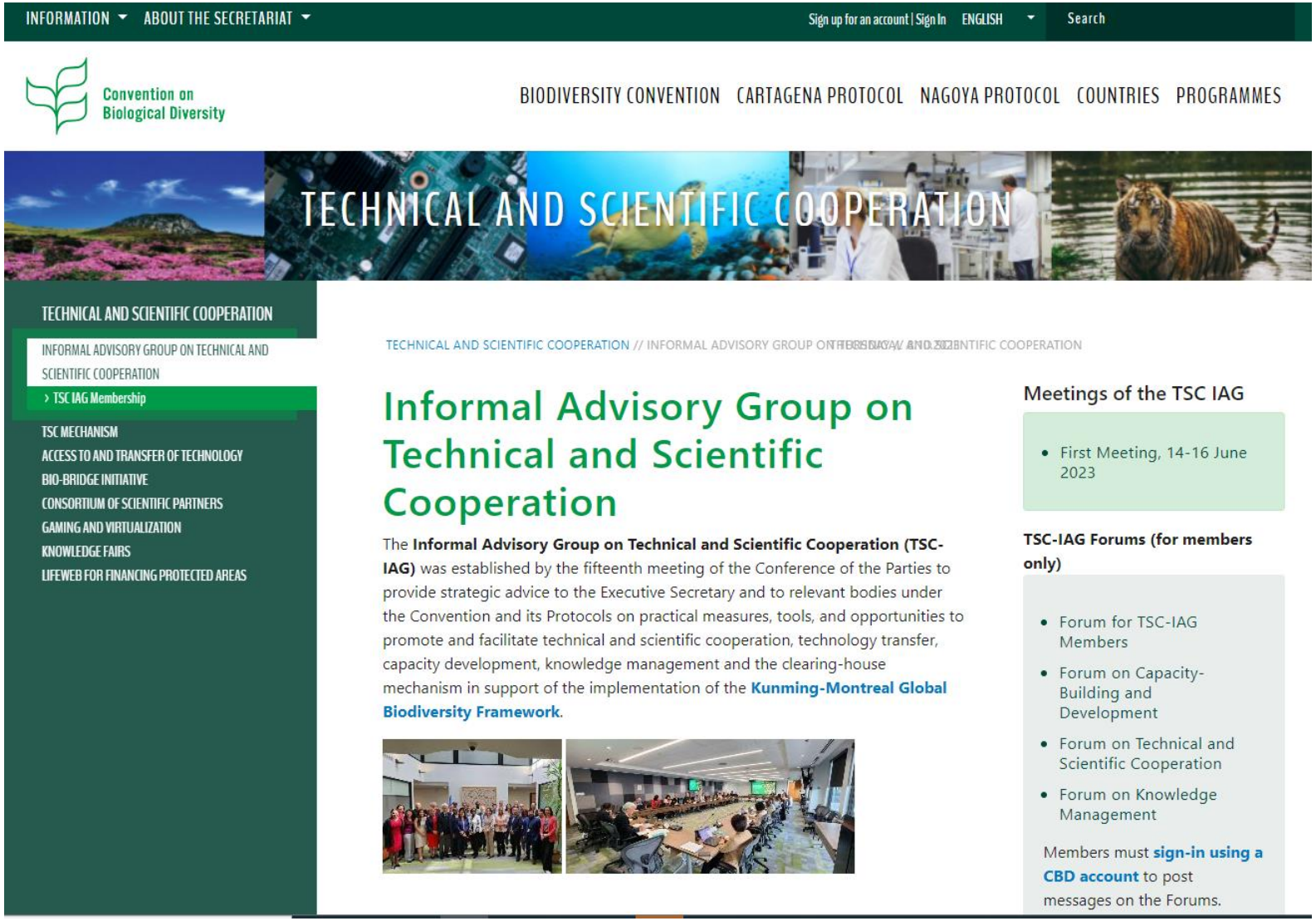

https://dev-chm.cbd.int/tsc/tsc-iag/

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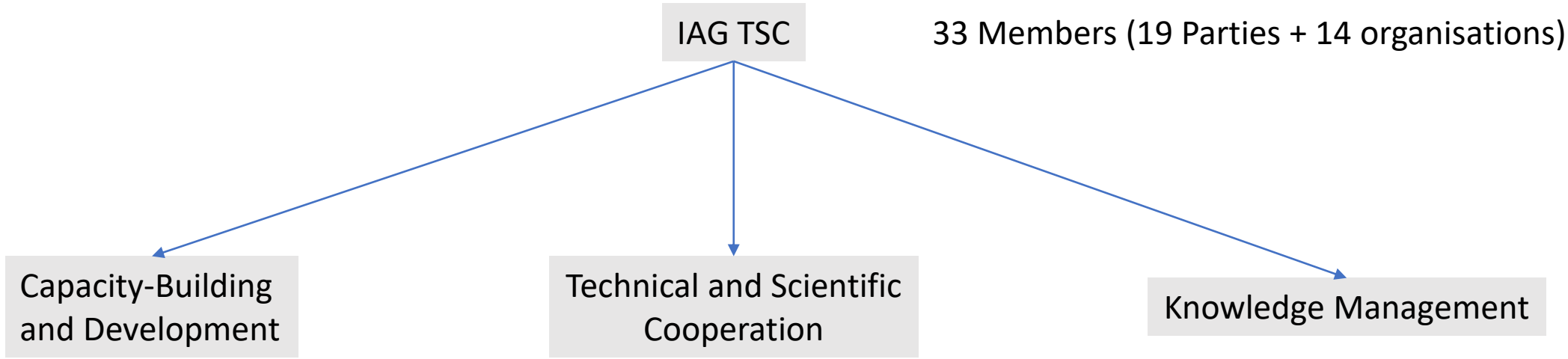
Strategic advice to the Executive Secretary and to relevant bodies under the Convention and its Protocols on practical measures, tools, and opportunities to promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation, technology transfer, capacity development, knowledge management and the clearing-house mechanism in **support of the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework**.



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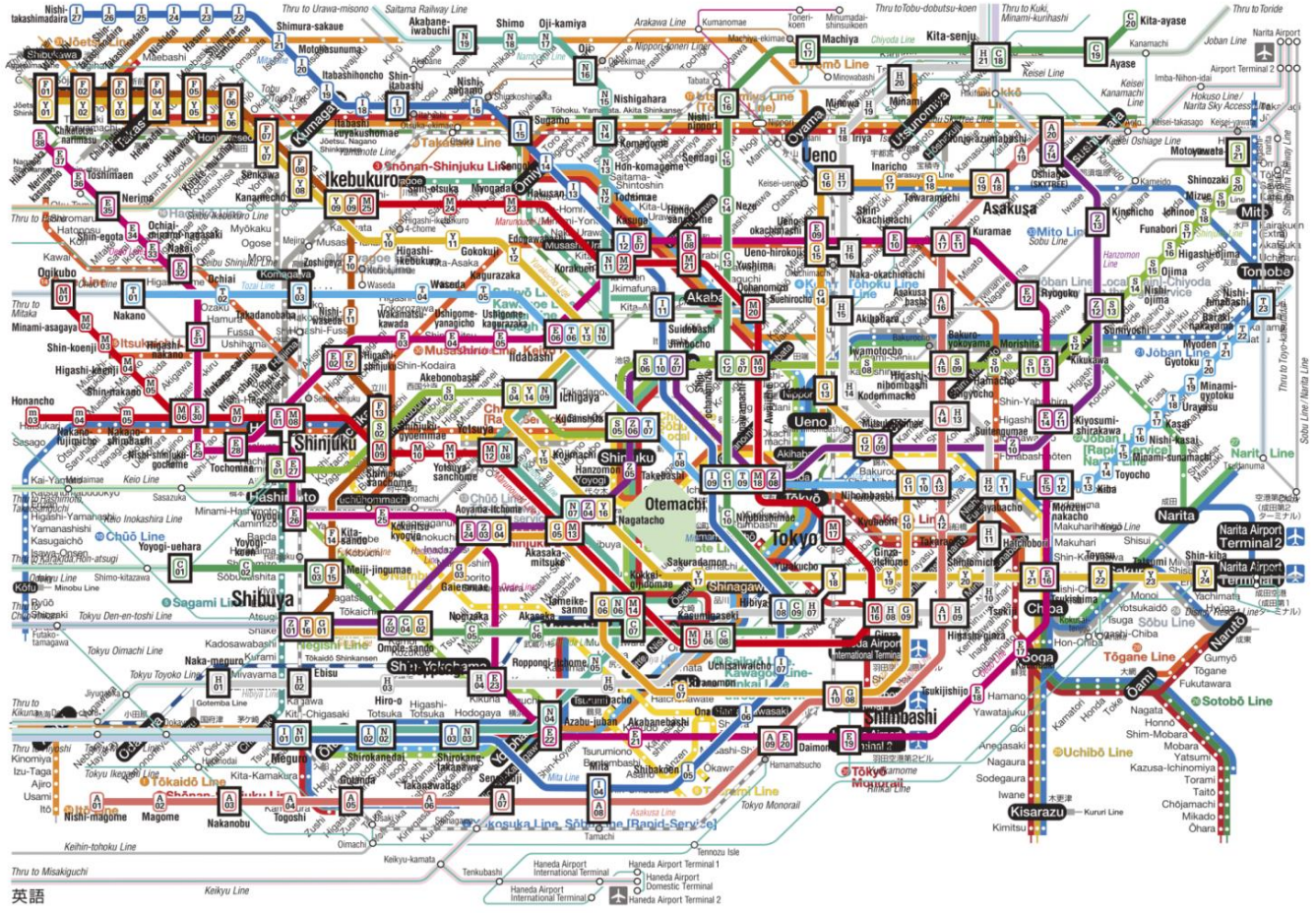
Knowledge Management

- Where can I find data/information?
- Are all 23 Targets covered?
- Where are the main regional gaps?
- Reuse of information for other MEAs?

Also looking into CARE and FAIR principles!



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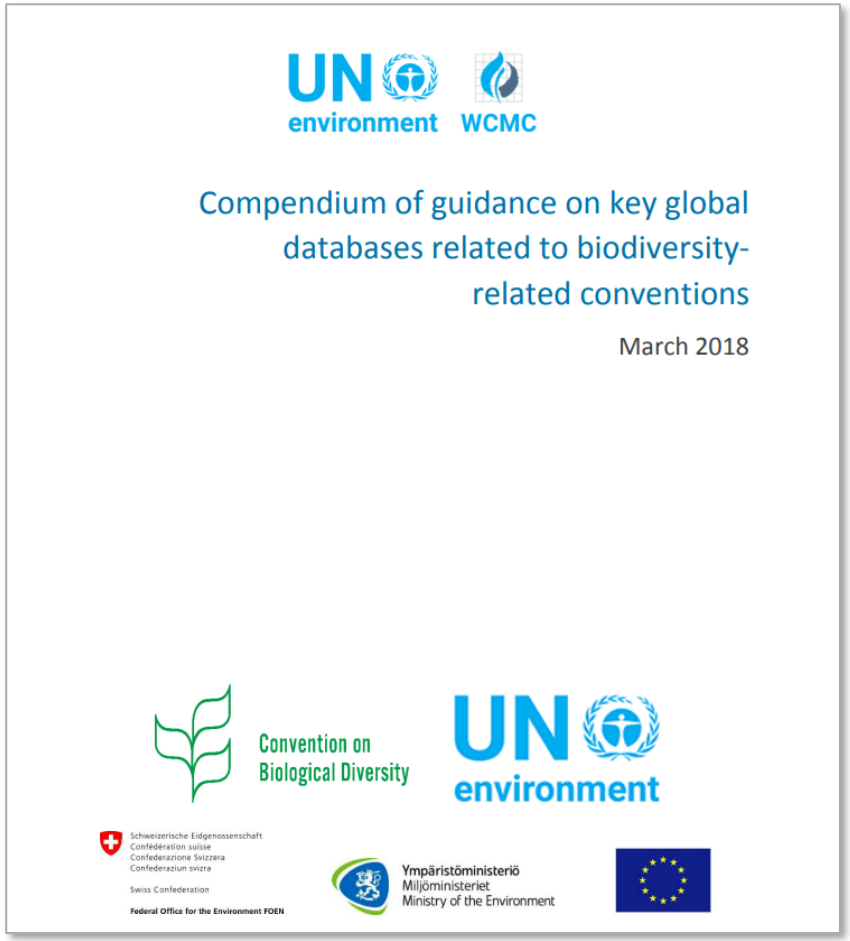
Knowledge Management

What do we have?

Review compendium of global knowledge sources for **update and improvement** in view to map knowledge landscape (and gaps) for the GBF

The compendium will become a database.

Keep an eye on https://dart.informea.org/compendia



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Technical and Scientific Support

Call for expression of interest to host a **regional and/or subregional** technical and scientific cooperation **support centre to support implementation** of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework: *Deadline 30 September*

2023-07-27 English

SCBD/IMS/NP/ET/CPA/91150 (2023-080)

Notification to: CBD national focal points, ABS focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points, SBSTTA focal points, and relevant organizations and stakeholders

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Subject(s): Technical and Scientific Cooperation, Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

Action required by 2023-09-30

Convention on
Biological Diversity

The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

COP 15 adopted a package of decisions to guide and support the implementation of the Framework:

Decision 15/8 includes the establishment of a **technical and scientific cooperation (TSC) mechanism** consisting of a network of regional and/or subregional support centres, to be coordinated by a global coordination entity

The Regional and/or Subregional Centres

Convention on Biological Diversity

What are they expected to do?

- Provide **"one-stop" service centre** for technical **knowledge, tools and expertise**
- **Facilitate joint research** programmes and **technology development** ventures
- Provide **information on opportunities**
- **Mobilize resources** to address identified technical and scientific needs
- Facilitate **matchmaking**
- Support the development of **TSC projects and programmes**
- Promote **partnerships**
- Facilitate **technology development and transfer**
- Strengthen **institutional capacities** to facilitate TSC
- Facilitate **knowledge sharing and learning**
- Compile and share **good practices and lessons** learned
- Create **synergies** with other TSC mechanisms

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Technical and Scientific Support

Regional Centres: 42 applications were received

- 12 applications from Africa
- 7 applications from Asia Pacific
- 4 applications from CEE
- 9 applications from GRULAC
- 10 applications from WEOG

Outcomes of the assessment published in the online IAG meeting held on **1-2 November 2023**.

During the online meeting we also discussed the proposed **assessment matrix and methodology** for the second stage of the process.

TENTATIVE TIMELINE FOR SELECTION OF REGIONAL/SUB-REGIONAL CENTRES

October 2023

- DEADLINE STAGE 1 – 30 SEP.
- SCREENING OF STAGE 1 APPLICANTS (SCBD)
- ASSESSMENT MATRIX & METHOD FOR STAGE 2
- LONG LIST SHARED WITH TSC IAG – WEEK 23 OCT.

November 2023

- TSC IAG ONLINE MEETING – 1-2 NOV. TO REVIEW LONG LIST AND ASSESSMENT MATRIX & METHOD FOR STAGE 2
- INVITE LONG LIST TO SUBMIT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION –WEEK 6 NOV.

December 2023

- DEADLINE STAGE 2 – 15 DEC.

January 2024

- SCREENING OF STAGE 2 APPLICANTS (SCBD)
- SHORTLIST SHARED WITH TSC IAG – WEEK 29 JAN.

February 2024

- TSC IAG IN-PERSON MEETING – 20-22 FEB. TO ADVISE ON SHORTLIST
- PARTIES INVITED TO SUBMIT VIEWS ON SHORTLIST & IAG REPORT – WEEK 26 FEB.

March 2024

- PREPARE REPORT FOR COP BUREAU WITH VIEWS OF PARTIES – WEEK 25 MAR.

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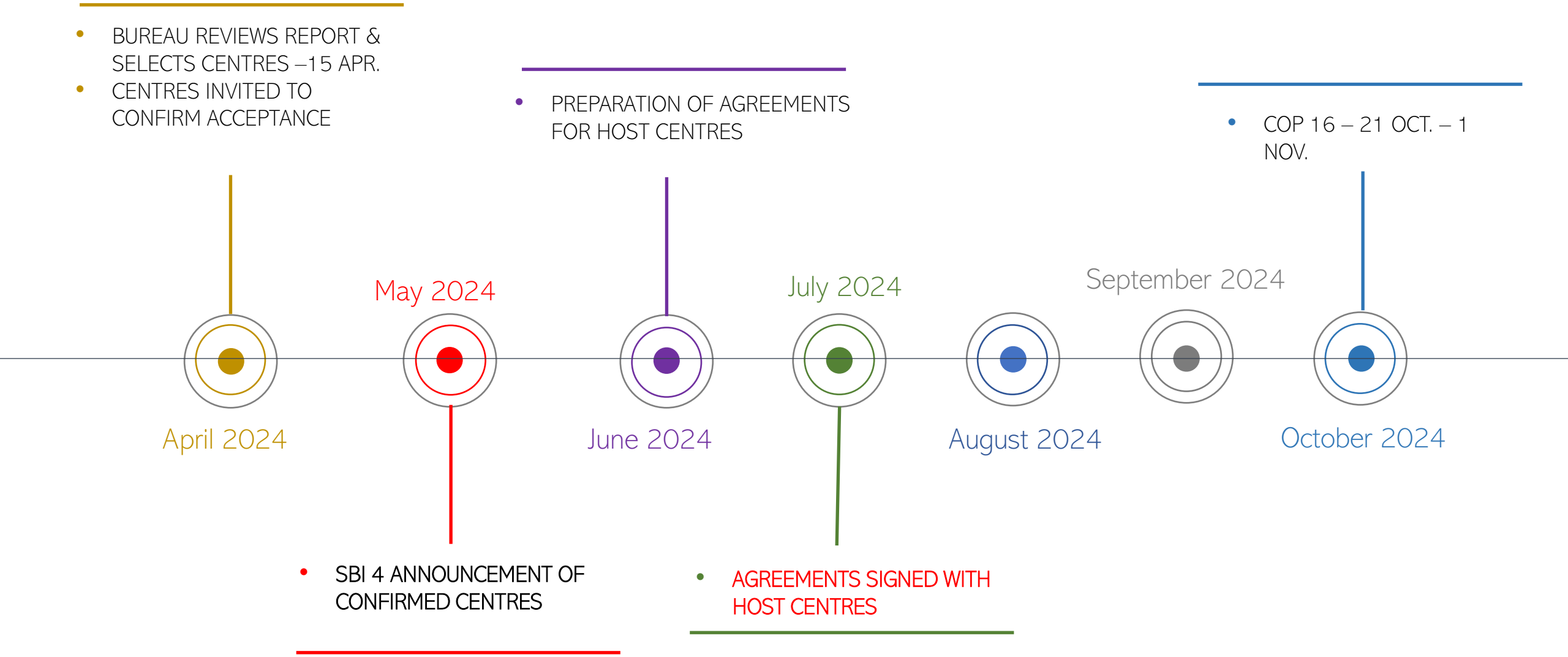

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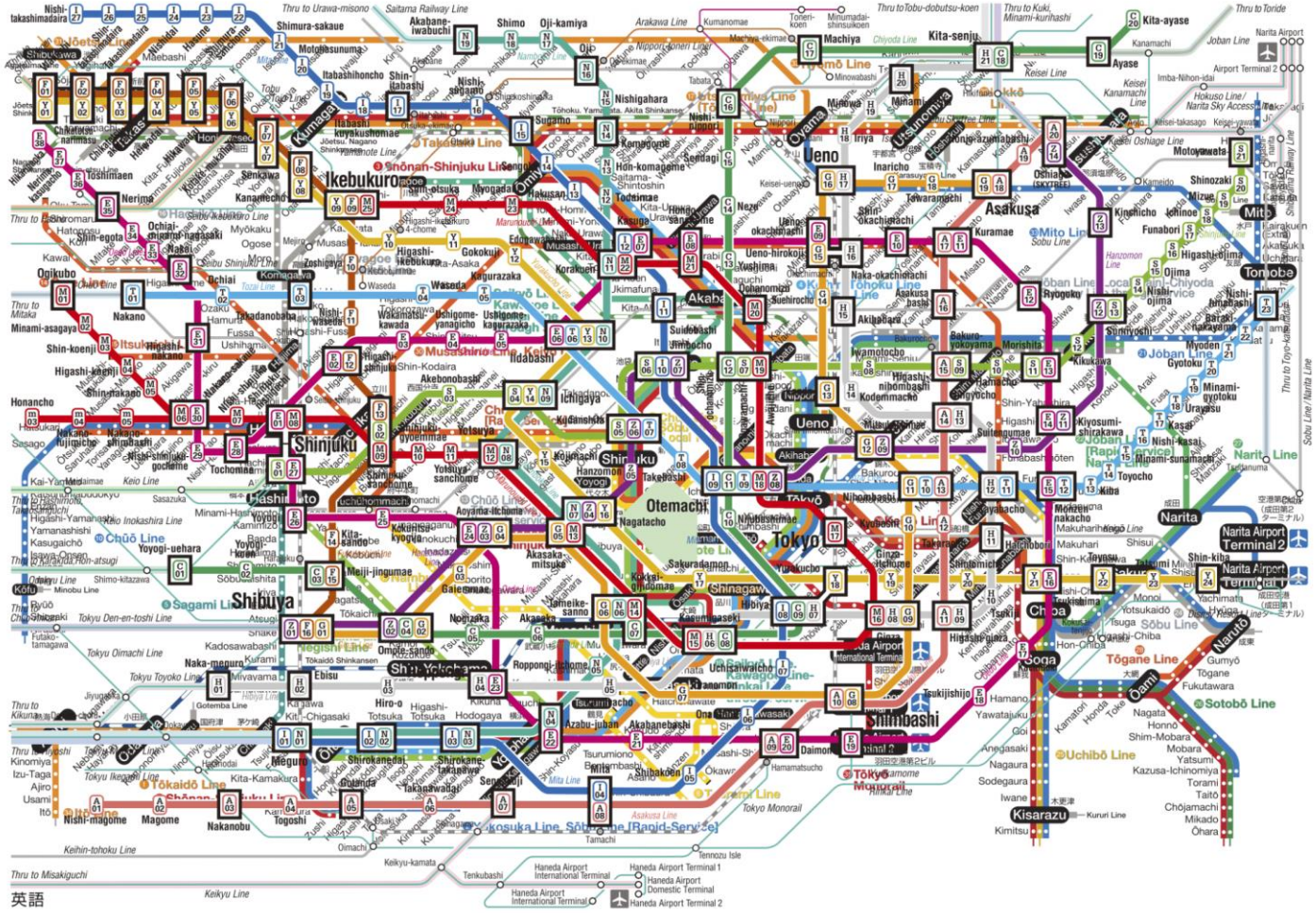
Capacity Building and Development

- Preparation of the indicators for Target 20 of the KM-GBF
- Submitted to the AHTEG for the monitoring framework of the KM-GBF
- Discussed during SBSTTA 25, October 2023

IAG and the challenges of the GBF

- GBF is a unique opportunity for strengthening collaboration, knowledge transfer and capacity building around a **common objective – GBF**.
- Complex networks require effective **coordination:** a Global Knowledge Support Service for Biodiversity will be essential (*it does not need to be large!*).
- **Main resources must go to buildand develop capacities** of Parties and major groups