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**12**  
July

18:30 - 20:00  
Conference Room 7  
UN Conference Building  
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**SIDE EVENT - HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM 2018**

# SDGs and Human Rights in the Post-2020 biodiversity framework

Sustainability, biodiversity and human rights are deeply rooted in Agenda 2030 as cross-cutting issues. The SDG15 life on land and SDG 6 clean water and sanitation to be reviewed in depth in the 2018 High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development are also key topics addressed by the Convention on Biological Diversity.

This event will provide a platform for dialogue about integrated sustainability and human-rights based approaches in the achievement of the SDGs and incorporating SDG 16 and human rights principles into the post-2020 global biodiversity framework – such as in a new dedicated target and as crosscutting dimensions.

It will also discuss tools and strategies for implementing the biodiversity and ecosystem dimensions of the right to a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment, including in the context of key sectors (SDG 12 on sustainable production and consumption patterns).

Key outcomes of the [international peer to peer Dialogue on weaving together Sustainable Development Goal 16 and Human Rights in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework](#) will be presented. This Dialogue (Kenya, 28-31 May 2018) was convened by SwedBio at Stockholm Resilience Center, International Development Law Organization, UN Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights - Special Procedures, UN Environment and Natural Justice.

At this event, the report “[SDG 16 and biodiversity: Mainstreaming biodiversity, ecosystem services and human rights in the mining sector](#)” will be launched.

## CHAIRS

**Claudia Ituarte-Lima** SwedBio at Stockholm Resilience Centre

**Soo-Young Hwang** UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

## SPEAKERS

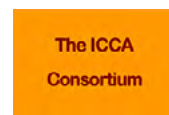
**Jamil Ahmad** UN Environment, New York Office

**Government representative** (TBC)

**Tristan Tyrrell** Programme Officer, SwedBio at Stockholm Resilience Centre (TBC)

**Harry Jonas** Director of Programmes, Natural Justice

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### Programme

#### Welcome and framing talk by the co-chairs

- **Claudia Ituarte-Lima** International Environmental Law Adviser at SwedBio and Researcher at Stockholm Resilience Centre
- **Soo-Young Hwang** Human Rights Officer, UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

#### Launch of the report “SDG 16 and biodiversity: Mainstreaming biodiversity, ecosystem services and human rights in the mining sector”

**How are the global recognition of the human rights to a healthy and sustainable environment and SDG 16 connected? How can human rights be integrated in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework? How can an enabling environment for environmental human rights defenders to exercise their rights be enhanced?**

The speakers will address these questions, which will also be framing questions for dialogue with the audience.

- **Jamil Ahmad** Head of Intergovernmental Affairs and Deputy Director of UN Environment, New York Office
- **Government representative** (TBC)
- **Tristan Tyrrell** Programme Officer, SwedBio at Stockholm Resilience Centre (TBC)
- **Harry Jonas** Director of Programmes, Natural Justice

#### Wrapping up and concluding remarks by the co-chairs



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