

ACCELERATOR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

By joining the Accelerator Partnership, all countries, institutions and non-state actor members commit to acting in line with the Accelerator's ten guiding principles, based on the Accelerator Partnership's Declaration of Intent, shared and signed by its founding members at the Accelerator's Political Launch, at the margins of CBD COP15 in Montreal. The principles provide guidance on how countries develop and implement their NBSAPs (country-led approach), how different partners integrate biodiversity in their support and funding approaches for NBSAPs (system coherence), and how partners work together to support countries in delivering their NBSAPs (alignment):

01

Promote higher ambition NBSAPs

Promote the use of NBSAPs as the primary planning and implementation tool to achieve the goals of the Global Biodiversity Framework and integrate the three Rio conventions and other related processes.

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Support country-led processes

Ensure that country needs and priorities lead country support efforts

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Promote transformational change for a nature-positive future

Promote long-term biodiversity actions and engage in complementary & catalytic regional and global action to deliver NBSAPs and move towards a nature positive future by 2030.

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Empower country leadership

Strengthen national and local capacity to ensure mainstreaming of biodiversity actions into diverse sectors and across stakeholder groups towards a nature-positive national development agenda.

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Enhance efficiency, flexibility and effectiveness

Optimize alignment and synergies, minimize duplication, and work with a partnership mindset to deliver NBSAPs

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Improve coordination

Enhance coordination at country, regional and global level (without creating parallel systems) to deliver NBSAPs.

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Facilitate learning and knowledge exchange

Support new ways of working, provide incentives for innovation and embrace creative ideas to speed up nature-positive action and facilitate learning and knowledge exchange.

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Support inclusive country processes

Promote 'whole of government' and 'whole of society' approaches in planning, implementation and resource mobilization to deliver NBSAPs, specifically engaging with Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities, women and youth and other key non-state actors.

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Align biodiversity, climate and development action

Promote coherence and efficiency in nature and sustainable development investments at all levels and build bridges at national, regional and global levels to facilitate exchange and foster joint action.

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Respect human rights and promote gender parity

Promote human-rights centered approaches for biodiversity and gender-sensitive action in NBSAPs.