

1. Key/Important elements to consider in the Ministerial Declaration to address the theme in an impactful manner.
 - Considerable pressure, primarily from anthropogenic activities which leads to significant biodiversity loss. Some major threats include overexploitation of natural resources, habitat degradation, invasive alien species that are taking over natural habitats as well as other changing climatic conditions.
 - The need for effective governance and management of ecosystems and biodiversity to ensure continuous benefits to people.
 - Establishment of Protected areas for biodiversity conservation which will lead to habitat protection and provide a refuge for wildlife and other endangered species.
 - Integration of natural capital in decision-making processes in the economies of countries.

2. How the Environment Assembly can make significant contributions to *strengthening Actions for Nature to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals* at a Global Scale
 - Commit their countries to pursue programmes on the Valuation of Ecosystem Services
 - Review and track progress on the implementation of the Aichi biodiversity goals and targets under the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
 - Strengthen existing partnerships between global biodiversity database organizations and national institutions for tracking the status of its biodiversity.
 - Address right-based issues with respect biodiversity and ecosystems