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Outcomes of the 10th Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity

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The 10th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the Convention on Biological Diversity held from 18 to 29 October in Nagoya, Japan, ended successfully, having adopted a biodiversity plan for the following 10 years and other crucial texts for biodiversity conservation. Delegates from over 200 states from all over the world attended the Meeting, prepared to commit themselves to more stringent targets in a fight towards biodiversity conservation and show the world that a more intensive action is needed.

An important outcome of the Conference was the adoption of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity for the Period 2011-2020, aimed at reducing biodiversity loss and restoring the natural environment. The Plan includes twenty targets on how to achieve the overall objectives. This result is a big success and an important step in the history of biological diversity protection, considering the latest indications showing that efforts and commitments to protect biodiversity and reduce its harvesting had been failing.

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