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Item 21: Invasive alien species

Thank you, Chair
I am speaking on behalf of the CBD Women's Caucus.

We consider that the cost-benefit and cost-effectiveness analyses should not focus only on economic terms, but also on the social, ethical, and human impact of interventions. We ask for more international research on the role of gender in invasive alien species identification, management, and monitoring.

We urge for complete support to develop guidance and tools that enable the eradication, containment, or management of invasive alien species in priority sites, such as islands and those that threaten the livelihoods of Indigenous Peoples, local communities, women and youth. It is essential that these groups be meaningfully included in the development of strategies, ensuring their voices are heard and their specific needs addressed.

In this regard, we suggest the following text modifications the document *CBD/COP/16/WG.II/CRP.3*

- Retain the paragraph 2
- In op 8 g) add after “engage” , **build the capacities and technology transfer to**

In Section 1 Cost-benefit and cost-effectiveness analyses

- In op 9- add at the end of the paragraph **“Additionally, these analyses must consider the respect and promotion of human rights, ensuring that all actions are inclusive and equitable.”**

We would like to ask Parties for support.
Thank you.

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