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# Zimbabwe Youth Biodiversity Workshop:

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Post 2020 Global Biodiversity Framework Consultation

#### Introduction

The Zimbabwe Youth Biodiversity Network (ZYBN) is proud to partner with the African Wildlife Foundation (AWF). AWF has been working with the Global Youth Biodiversity Network (GYBN) since 2018 to build a constituency of youth advocating for biodiversity conservation on the African continent. This project provides an incredible opportunity to promote environmental sustainability by demonstrating how conservation can secure Africa's future and give youth a forum to convey their positions regarding conservation efforts to a global audience at the Convention of Biological Diversity (CBD). AWF is drawing on the capacity of ZYBN, a youth organization working on biodiversity in Zimbabwe to implement the Zimbabwe Youth Biodiversity Workshop. This workshop seeks to bring together 20 youths, to contribute to the ongoing preparatory process for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework that is expected to be adopted at the UN Biodiversity Conference in October 2020, in Kunming, China.

#### Workshop objectives.

- Familiarize participants with the CBD, the Post 2020 Global Biodiversity Framework process, the status of biodiversity in Zimbabwe and explore how participants and their networks can contribute to biodiversity conservation.
- Consult on Zero Draft of the Post 2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and create a youth position.

**Date and place:** This interactive workshop is been organized for 25-27 March 2020 in Harare, at a venue to be announced later. Out of town participants will arrive on March 24 and depart on March 28.

#### Open invitation to apply and nominate participants.

Youth individuals and youth organizations are invited to apply. Government institutions, organizations and networks working on issues related to biodiversity are also invited to nominate youth representatives to participate in the workshop. Applicants should attach nomination letters to the application form below. The deadline for applying is March 3.

### Applicants and Nominated candidates should:

- Be between 18 and 35 years of age and an active voice in their community on issues related to biodiversity;
- Be willing to actively share experience and knowledge gained within their communities and;
- Commit to share knowledge and implement outcomes gained from the workshop.

#### Selection process.

- Candidates will be selected by ZYBN with the aim of achieving a provincial and gender balance.
- Only the successful candidates will be notified of the results and via email by ZYBN.

Support: Support for travel and limited basic accommodation will be provided to participants.

FOLLOW THIS LINK TO APPLY: <u>http://bit.ly/ZYBN2020Workshop</u>

For questions about the workshop please contact ZYBN.

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