

**TEMPLATE FOR PEER REVIEW COMMENTS
TECHNICAL SERIES ON SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY**

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Comments on the Technical Series on Synthetic Biology		
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0	48	Under the sub-title 5.1, Societal Concern, the technical dossier touches on (1) Incorporating societal concerns into regulatory decision-making and (2) Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs); however there is no input on Synthetic Biology Education (SBE) in the technical dossier. The element was also missing the Sub-Topic 8.2.3 (page 92) and Topic 10 (page 128). It is well described in the dossier that the Synthetic Biology will become economic, social and politically important in the near future. Therefore, I think it is up most important that the element of SBE should be included in the dossier as such the agendas enable stakeholders (eg.student) learn to achieve predictable, measurable learning outcomes and build a framework on the SBE subject.
	92	Sub – topic 8.2.3 report on Other relevant provisions of the Protocol such as capacity building and public awareness and participation.
	128	10. Challenges, Gaps and/or Overlaps associated with synthetic biology governance.

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