

## **ECEN Assembly 2023**

### **Thematic Group: Biodiversity Loss**

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#### **Aim**

To have clarity about the issues of the loss of biodiversity its causes and consequences, locally and nationally. To hear stories of mitigation undertaken by churches and others. To be empowered to be able to share the concern with others and to develop an action plan of engagement for the church.

#### **Methodology**

We will hear and share examples of biodiversity loss in our areas (eg bees and other insects, land security and management, plants and trees, ecosystems and habitats) with some international examples (eg rainforests, turtle breeding sites).

We will hear and share of the actions that are causing bio diversity loss (eg logging, pollution, habitat destruction)

We will hear and share the resource materials available and the organisations and projects working on the front line of waste reduction, conservation, eg A-Rocha International

#### **Outcomes**

Participants will be able to:

- Have a clear understanding about the issues of biodiversity loss.
- Know of the importance to act to prevent things getting worse – and to have the confidence and support in lobbying.
- Be aware of the projects of mitigation and how these can be supported.
- Agree to a positive plan of engagement.