

## Results of the Meeting

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## Applying the Frameworks

- A diverse international group with varied expertise was able to successfully use these frameworks to discuss potential concerns for misuse
- Both frameworks were useful in structuring the information to enable conversations.
- Such structures could also be used to present information on risks in a way that facilitates comparisons
- The Syn bio framework is designed to delve in more detail into the technical aspects associated with a capability. It fosters a more open ended conversation
- The Tucker framework enables you to make a screening decision more quickly and then move to policy decisions

- It could be useful to pilot test this type of analysis using qualitative frameworks with additional groups and additional case examples to understand how they could be adapted and used for the BWC

## Benefits

- These activities can promote understanding of the benefits of technologies to implement article 10 of the BWC
- We began a discussion on how to enable structured discussions of benefits.

## What we learned/ key messages

- Risks can be assessed in a systematic way to inform policy makers
- Assessments can be carried out at the national level or as a collective process under the BWC
- These qualitative frameworks can be applied by experts from any States Party
- This process helps organize the information to support evidence-informed policy
- The ultimate decisions on what actions to take in response to the assessments would be made States Parties