THE CONVENTION ON WETLANDS 63rd meeting of the Standing Committee Gland, Switzerland, 3-7 June 2024

SC63 Doc.3

Provisional working programme

08:30 – 09:15 Regional meetings 09:30 – 11:00 Meeting of the Subgroup on Finance 11:00 – 12:30 Meeting of the Management Working Group

13:30 – 16:00 Meeting of the Strategic Plan Working Group

16:00 – 18:00 Meeting of the Working Group on Institutional Strengthening

Tuesday 4 June

Monday 3 June

08:30 – 09:45 Regional meeting	etings
--------------------------------	--------

10:00 – 13:00 Plenary session of the Standing Committee

- 1. Opening statements
 - 1.1 Chair of the Standing Committee (China)
 - 1.2 Director General of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
 - 1.3 International Organization Partners (IOPs)
 - 1.4 Secretary General of the Convention
- 2. Adoption of the provisional agenda
- 3. Adoption of the provisional working programme
- 4. Admission of observers
- 5. Report of the Chair of the Standing Committee and of the Executive Team
- 6. Report of the Secretary General
- 14:00 15:00 Meeting of the Subgroup on COP15

15:00 – 18:00 Plenary session of the Standing Committee

- 7. Report of the Management Working Group
 - 7.1 Report on the activities of the Management Working Group
 - 7.2 Report on the process for recruiting a new Secretary General
- 11. Report of the Strategic Plan Working Group
- 12. Report of the Working Group on Institutional Strengthening

Wednesday 5 June

08:30 – 09:45 Regional meetings

10:00 – 13:00 Plenary session of the Standing Committee

- 21. Preparation of the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties (COP15)
 - 21.1 Report of the Secretariat on COP15
 - 21.2 Report of the Subgroup on COP15
 - 21.3 Proposal of the Secretariat on the process for preparation and review of draft resolutions
 - 21.4 Proposal of the Secretariat on the Ramsar Wetland Conservation Awards
- 13. Report of the Secretariat on implementation of Resolution XIV.3
 - 13.1 Strategy for communication with Contracting Parties (Resolution XIV.3 paragraph 11)
 - 13.2 Enhancing intersessional collaboration between Contracting Parties (follow-up to Standing Committee Decision SC62-18)
- 14:00 15:00 IOP information session (update for Parties on activities of the IOPs)

15:00 – 18:00 Plenary session of the Standing Committee

- 15. Enhancing the Convention's visibility and synergies in partnership with multilateral environmental agreements and other international institutions
- 8. Report of the Secretariat on the implementation of the Decisions of the Standing Committee
- 16. Review and consolidation of current Resolutions
 - 16.1 Introduction

SC63 Doc.3 2

- 16.2 Consolidation of Recommendations and Resolutions on assessment of wetland values and services
- 16.3 Consolidation of Recommendations and Resolutions on communication, capacity building, education, participation and awareness (CEPA)
- 16.4 Consolidation of Resolutions on water, water-related and water-management-related matters
- 16.5 Consolidation of Resolutions on inventories SC63 Doc.16.5

Thursday 6 June

08:30 – 09:45 Regional meetings

10:00 – 13:00 Plenary session of the Standing Committee

- 25. Report of the Secretariat on the Ramsar Regional Initiatives
- 17. Communication, capacity building, education, participation and awareness (CEPA)
 - 17.1 Report of the Chair of the CEPA Oversight Panel
 - 17.2 Report of the Secretariat on the proposed future operations of the CEPA Oversight Panel, in accordance with Resolution XIV.8
 - 17.3 Report of the Secretariat on World Wetlands Day 2024
 - 17.4 World Wetlands Day themes for 2025, 2026 and 2027
- 10. Urgent challenges to the wise use of wetlands to receive enhanced attention: Update on wetlands inventories

15:00 – 18:00 Plenary session of the Standing Committee

- 9. Financial and budgetary matters report of the Subgroup on Finance
 - 9.1 Report on financial matters for 2023 and 2024
 - 9.2 Status of annual contributions
- 19. Report of the Chair of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel on implementation of the STRP work plan
- 20. Technical proposal of the STRP on resourcing and implementing waterbird population estimates
- 18. Report of the Youth Working Group

SC63 Doc.3 3

Friday 7 June

08:30 – 09:45 Regional meetings

10:00 – 13:00 Plenary session of the Standing Committee

- 22. Report of the Secretariat on the challenges and opportunities related to the submission and updating of Ramsar Information Sheets
- 23. Report of the Secretariat on proposals on strengthening the process to include a Site on the List of Wetlands of International Importance
- 24. Update of the Secretariat on the implementation of Resolution XIV.20

15:00 – 18:00 Plenary session of the Standing Committee

- 14. Work plan of the Secretariat for 2024
- 26. Dates of the 64th meeting of the Standing Committee
- 27. Adoption of the report of the meeting
- 28. Any other business
- 29. Closing remarks

SC63 Doc.3 4