

**CONVENTION ON WETLANDS OF INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANCE
ESPECIALLY AS WATERFOWL HABITAT**
(Ramsar, Iran, 1971)

6th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties

Brisbane, Australia: 19-27 March 1996

Draft Agenda

- I Opening of the Meeting
- II General statements
- III Adoption of the Agenda
- IV Adoption of the Rules of Procedure
- V Election of the Chairperson and two Vice-Chairpersons,
and remarks by the Chairperson
- VI Appointment of the Credentials Committee and any other committees
- VII Admission of Observers
- VIII Report of the Convention Standing Committee
- IX Report of the Convention Bureau
- X Review of the implementation of the Convention in each region
- XI Strategic Plan 1997-2002, and Programme and Budget 1997-1999
- XII Report of the Credentials Committee
- XIII Reports of the Technical Sessions
- XIV Consideration of the Conference decisions
- XV Oceania Day
- XVI Adoption of the Conference report and decisions
- XVII Election of Members of the Standing Committee
- XVIII Next Ordinary Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
- XIX Any other business
- XX Close of the meeting

Technical sessions

- (A) Wise use of wetlands: National Wetland Policies and
other national policies affecting wetlands
- (B) Guidelines on interpretation of Article 3.2 of the Convention:
"ecological character" and "change in ecological character"
- (C) Interactions with the Convention on Biological Diversity, the World Bank
and the Global Environment Facility (GEF)
- (D) Review of Kushiro guidelines on management planning for wetlands
- (E) Criteria for identifying wetlands of international importance
- (F) Community-based wetland management