

CONVENTION ON WETLANDS (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)
42nd Meeting of the Standing Committee
Gland, Switzerland, 16-20 May 2011

DOC. SC42-10

Subgroup on COP11

Draft Agenda for the 11th meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties

Action requested: The Standing Committee is invited to consider, advise on, and approve the draft COP11 Provisional Agenda for transmission to the Contracting Parties.

1. The proposed draft agenda for the 11th meeting of the Contracting Parties (COP11) closely follows the structure and sequence of agenda items of the COP10 Agenda, but with an additional day for regional meetings prior to the opening ceremonies, as requested by Parties following COP10.
2. The themes and speakers for the proposed “Special Presentations” are under consideration and will be determined at a later date, but they are likely to include at least one related to the COP11 theme of “Wetlands and tourism”.
3. As at COP10, it is proposed to offer the Convention’s five International Organization Partners (IOPs) the opportunity to hold two lunchtime “supporting events” on topics of their choice related to major topics under consideration by the COP.
4. Following amendment and approval of the Provisional Agenda by SC42, it will be circulated to Contracting Parties under Diplomatic Notification.

**11th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the
Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)**

[slogan on Wetlands and Tourism]

**Bucharest, Romania
19-26 June 2012**

Agenda item III

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Provisional Agenda

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| I | Opening of the Meeting |
| II | General Statements and Keynote Addresses |
| III | Adoption of the Agenda |
| IV | Adoption of the Rules of Procedure |

- V Election of the President and Vice- Presidents and remarks by the President
- VI Appointment of the Credentials Committee and any other committees
- VII Admission of Observers
- VIII Report of the Chairperson of the Standing Committee
- IX Report of the Chairperson of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP)
- X Report of the Secretary General and overview of the implementation of the Convention at the global level
- XI Issues arising from Resolutions and Recommendations of previous meetings of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
- XII Financial report and proposed budget for the triennium 2009-2011
- XIII Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee
- XIV Report of the Credentials Committee
- XV Report on the discussions, conclusions and recommendations in the preceding sessions
- XVI Adoption of Resolutions and Recommendations
- XVII Election of the Contracting Parties for the Standing Committee
- XVIII Date and venue of the next Ordinary Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
- XIX Any other business
- XX Adoption of the report of the 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
- XXI Close of the meeting

Sunday, 17 June 2012

08:30 – 18:00 Registration of delegates
 10:00 – 18:00 44th Meeting of the Standing Committee (thenceforward the Conference Committee)

Monday, 18 June 2012

08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)
 09:00 – 13:00 Regional meetings for Africa, Americas, Asia, and Europe regions
 14:00 – 18:00 Regional meetings for Americas (continued) and Oceania regions

Tuesday, 19 June 2012

08:00 – 17:00 Registration (continued)
 09:00 – 12:00 Regional meetings for Africa, Americas, Asia, and Europe regions (continued)
 13:00 – 16:00 Regional meetings for Americas and Oceania regions (continued)
 17:00 – 19:00 **Opening ceremony and welcoming statements** (includes **Agenda items I and II** and presentation of **Ramsar Awards**)
 19:00 – 21:30 Welcome reception

Wednesday, 20 June 2012

08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)
 08:45 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee
 10:00 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**
 III Adoption of the agenda
 IV Adoption of the Rules of Procedure
 V Election of the President and Vice-Presidents
 Remarks by the President
 VI Appointment of the Credentials Committee and any other committees
 VII Admission of Observers
 VIII Report of the Chairperson of the Standing Committee
 13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break
 15:00 – 17:30 **Plenary Session**
 IX Report of the Chairperson of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP)
 X Report of the Secretary General and overview of the implementation of the Convention at the global level
 XI Issues arising from Resolutions and Recommendations of previous meetings of the Conference of the Contracting Parties

17:30 – 18:00 *Special presentation on wetland conservation and sustainable use in the Romania*

Followed by Host Country reception

Thursday, 21 June 2012

08:30 – 18:00 Registration (continues each day to 26 June)

08:45 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee

10:00 – 10:30 *Special Presentation*

10:30 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**

XII **Financial report by the Chairperson of the Subgroup on Finance of the Standing Committee and proposed budget for the triennium 2012-2015**

XIII **Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee**

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 – 17:45 **Regional Meetings** to prepare and caucus views for the upcoming sessions

Friday, 22 June 2012

08:45 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee

10:00 – 10:30 *Special Presentation*

10:30 – 13:00 **Plenary Session** (continuation from the previous day)

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 – 18:00 **Plenary Session** (continuation from the morning)

Saturday, 23 June 2012

08:45 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee

10:00 – 10:30 *Special Presentation*

10:30 – 13:00 **Plenary Session** (continuation from the previous day)

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 – 15:30 *Special Presentation*

15:30 – 18:00 **Plenary Session** (continuation from the morning)

18:30 – 20:00 **Regional meetings** to agree on recommendations to the Plenary Session on Contracting Parties to be elected to serve on the Standing Committee

Sunday, 24 June 2012

08:45 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee (if necessary)

NOTE: *All work on the draft Resolutions must be finalised by 13:00 to allow for preparation of materials for the final plenary sessions.*

Field visits organised by the Romanian hosts

Monday, 25 June 2012

08:45 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee

10:00 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**

XIV Report of the Credentials Committee

XV Report on the discussions, conclusions and recommendations in the preceding sessions

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 – 18:00 **Plenary Session**

XVI Adoption of Conference Resolutions and Recommendations

Tuesday, 26 June 2012

08:45 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee

10:00 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**

**XVI Adoption of Conference Resolutions and Recommendations
(continued)**

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 – 18:00 **Plenary Session**

XVII Election of the Contracting Parties for the Standing Committee

XVIII Date and venue of the next Ordinary Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties

XIX Any other business

XX Adoption of the report of the 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties

XXI Close of the meeting

18:30 – 19:30 45th Meeting of the Standing Committee