

CONVENTION ON WETLANDS (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)
47th Meeting of the Standing Committee
Gland, Switzerland, 24-28 March 2014

DOC. SC47-01bis

47th Meeting of the Standing Committee Annotated Agenda

Monday, 24 March 2014

08:15-09:45 Regional meetings

(Through the week, the meetings for each region will be in the following rooms: Americas Red List A; Africa Red List B; Asia and Oceania Think Tank A; Europe Think Tank B)

10:00-13:00, 15:00-16:00 Meeting of the Management Working Group

(Republic of Korea, Paraguay, Romania and South Africa as Chairs and Vice Chairs of COP10 and COP11 Standing Committees (Romania serving as MWG Chair), Canada and Finland as Chairs of COP10 and COP11 Subgroups on Finance; Chairs of STRP for 2008-2012 and 2012-2015, Secretary General; Canada, Cuba, Denmark, Fiji, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates as Contracting Party representatives, IUCN as IOP representative)

- 10:00-10:30 Presentation and discussion of Working Group meeting procedure
10:30-11:15 Report of the Review Committee on the delivery of scientific and technical advice (Resolution XI.16) (DOC. SC47-03)
11:15-11:45 Introduction of paper for consideration by subgroups (DOC. SC47-02)
11:45-13:00 Parallel discussions within subgroups:
i. Subgroup 1 on UN languages *Think Tank B*
(UAE (Chair), Denmark, Ecuador, Fiji, Guatemala, Tunisia, United States of America)
ii. Subgroup 2 on Visibility and Stature *Red List A*
(Cuba, Denmark, Fiji, Guatemala, Mexico, South Africa, Switzerland, Thailand)
iii. Subgroup 3 on Synergies *Red List B*
(Burundi, Cuba, Denmark, Fiji, Finland, Guatemala, Islamic Republic of Iran, USA)
15:00-15:45 Report of Subgroups to MWG and finalization of recommendations
15:45-16:00 Any other business

16:00-18:00 Meeting of the Strategic Plan Working Group

(Finland and France (Co-Chairs), Australia, Burundi, Chile, Cuba, Indonesia, I.R. Iran, Switzerland, USA, Chair of STRP, Chair of CEPA Oversight Panel (South Africa), IOP representative (BirdLife International), UNEP)

- 16:00-16:30 Presentation of the progress report (DOC. SC47-04)
16:30-17:15 Terms of reference for the working group, consultant/work plan, and findings of the questionnaire

17:15-18:00 Finalization of focus, structure and content of Strategic Plan.

Tuesday, 25 March 2014

08:15-09:45 Regional meetings

10:00-13:00 Meeting of the Subgroup on COP12

(Uruguay as COP12 Host (Chair), Romania (COP11 Host), Cambodia, Fiji, France, Guatemala, Mexico, South Africa)

10:00-11:15 Introduction by COP12 Host, followed by report on the progress of COP12 preparations, covering the venue, dates, visas, theme, preparations for regional meetings and other issues.

11:15-12:30 Update and discussion on COP12 Memorandum of Understanding and resulting financial matters (DOC. SC47-05)

12:30-13:00 Update on the Ramsar Award / Evian Special Prize (DOC. SC47-06)

15:00-18:00 Meeting of the Subgroup on Finance

(Canada (Chair), Finland (Preceding Subgroup Chair), Burundi, Chile, Denmark, Fiji, R.O. Korea)

15:00-16:00 Review of 2013, including status of reserve fund and audited financial statements, and 2014 budget approval (DOC. SC47-12)

16:00-16:45 COP12 finances (DOC. SC47-12, DOC. SC47-05)

16:45-17:15 Small Grants Fund (DOC. SC47-12)

17:15-17:30 Regional Initiatives (DOC. SC47-21)

17:30-18:00 Update on payment of contributions (DOC. SC47-13)

Wednesday, 26 March to Friday, 28 March 2014

Plenary Standing Committee meeting

Wednesday, 26 March 2014

08:15-09:45 Regional meetings

10:00-13:00 Plenary Session of the Standing Committee

1. 10:00-10:30 Opening statements

- Chair of the Standing Committee (Romania)
- Director General of IUCN (or her representative)
- Statement on behalf of the five International Organisation Partners (IOPs)
- Secretary General of the Ramsar Convention

2. 10:30-10:45 Adoption of the agenda

3. 10:45-11:00 Admission of observers

4. 11:00-12:00 Report of the Management Working Group (DOC. SC47-02, DOC. SC47-03)

5. 12:00-13:00 Report of the Strategic Plan Working Group (DOC. SC47-04)

15:00-18:00 Plenary Session of the Standing Committee

6. 15:00-16:00 Progress with preparations for COP12: Report of the Subgroup on COP12 (DOC. SC47-05, DOC. SC47-06)

7. 16:00-18:00 COP12 Draft Resolutions

- 7.1. 16:00-16:30 Streamlining COP12 Draft Resolution style and presentation (DOC. SC47-07)
- 7.2. 16:30-17:15 Draft Resolutions anticipated for COP12 consideration (DOC. SC47-08)
- 7.3. 17:15-17:30 Regional categorization (DOC. SC47-09)
- 7.4. 17:30-18:00 Application from the Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust (WWT) for IOP status (DOC. SC47-10)

18:30-19:30 Welcome reception in the lobby outside the Main Hall.

Thursday, 27 March 2014

08:15-09:45 Regional meetings

10:00-13:00 Plenary Session of the Standing Committee

7. 10:00-10:30 COP12 Draft Resolutions (continued)

- 7.5. 10:00-10:30 COP12 Draft Resolution on “Wetlands and disaster risk reduction” submitted by the Philippines (DOC. SC47-11)

- 8. 10:30-11:30** **Financial matters: Report of the Subgroup on Finance** (DOC. SC47-12, DOC. SC47-13)
- 9. 11:30-12:15** **Report of the Secretary General on actions and future strategy** (DOC. SC47-14)
- 10. 12:15-12:30** **Secretariat Work Plan 2014** (DOC. SC47-15)
- 11. 12:30-13:00** **Report of Ramsar-IUCN Task Force on improving operations** (Decision SC46-24 ii)
- 13:30-14:30* *Briefing for interested parties on the progress of the proposed city accreditation scheme and discussion of the next steps for its development, for possible recommendation to Standing Committee at agenda item 14.2.*
- 15:00-18:00** **Plenary Session of the Standing Committee**
- 12. 15:00-16:00** **Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP)**
- 12.1. 15:00-15:30 Report of STRP Oversight Committee (DOC. SC47-16)
- 12.2. 15:30-16:00 Report of the STRP Chair (DOC. SC47-17)
- 13. 16:00-17:30** **Communication, Education, Participation and Awareness (CEPA)**
- 13.1. 16:00-16:30 Report of the CEPA Oversight Panel (DOC. SC47-18)
- 13.2. 16:30-17:00 World Wetlands Day 2015
- 13.3. 17:00-17:30 Ramsar web site redevelopment
- 14. 17:30-18:00** **Matters arising from SC46 and COP11 decisions**
- 14.1. 17:30-18:00 Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) (Decision SC46-03; Resolution XI.6) (DOC. SC47-19)

Friday, 28 March 2014

08:15-09:45 **Regional meetings**

10:00-13:00 **Plenary Session of the Standing Committee**

- 14. 10:00-11:00** **Matters arising from SC46 and COP11 decisions (continued)**
- 14.2. 10:00-10:20 Report on R.O. Korea workshop on wetland city accreditation (Decision SC46-05)
- 14.3. 10:20-10:40 Report of the Culture Working Group (Decision SC46-12) (DOC. SC47-20)
- 14.4. 10:40-11:00 Regional Initiatives (Decision SC46-13) (DOC. SC47-21)
- 15. 11:00-12:00** **Ramsar Sites**
- 15.1. 11:00-11:30 The status of Ramsar Sites (DOC. SC47-22)
- 15.2. 11:30-12:00 Ramsar Sites Information Service (RSIS) redevelopment
- 16. 12:00-12:30** **Partnerships**
- 16.1. 12:00-12:30 Partnership with Danone-Evian

17. 12:30-13:00 Other matters

- 17.1. Date and venue of the 48th meeting of the Standing Committee
- 17.2. Adoption of the report of the 47th meeting
- 17.3. Any other business
- 17.4. Closing remarks