

CONVENTION ON WETLANDS (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)

48th Meeting of the Standing Committee

Gland, Switzerland, 26-30 January 2015

SC48-13

Provisional COP12 Agenda

Background

The provisional agenda for the 12th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties was shared in May 2014 through Diplomatic Notification 2014/2, which also communicated the venue, dates and theme of COP12. The agenda follows the structure outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding with the Host Country.

12th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)

“Wetlands for our Future”

Punta del Este, Uruguay, 1 – 9 June 2015

Agenda item III

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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 Secretary General and overview of the implementation of the Convention at the global level
- X Issues arising from Resolutions and Recommendations of previous meetings of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
- XI Report of the Chairperson of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP)
- XII Report on implementation of the CEPA Programme 2009-2015

- XIII Financial report for 2012-2015 by the Chairperson of the Standing Committee Subgroup on Finance and proposed budget for the triennium 2016-2018
- XIV Election of Contracting Parties for the Standing Committee 2015-2018
- XV Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee
- XVI Report of the Credentials Committee
- XVII Report on the discussions, conclusions and recommendations in the preceding sessions
- XVIII Adoption of Resolutions and Recommendations
- XIX Date and venue of the next Ordinary Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
- XX Any other business
- XXI Adoption of the report of the 12th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
- XXII Close of the meeting

Monday, 1 June 2015

- 08:30 – 18:00 Registration of delegates (continues each day to 9 June)
- 10:00 – 13:00 **49th Meeting of the Standing Committee** (subsequently to meet as the Conference Committee)
- 14:00 – 18:00 **Regional meetings** (including discussions on Contracting Parties to be proposed for election to the Standing Committee at plenary agenda item XIV)

Tuesday, 2 June 2015

- 08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)
- 09:00 – 13:00 **Regional meetings** (continued)
- 14:00 – 15:00 **Regional meetings** (continued)
- 16:00 – 18:00 **Opening ceremony and welcoming statements** (includes **Agenda items I and II**)
- Evening Welcome reception

Wednesday, 3 June 2015

- 08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)
- 08:30 – 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 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**
- 13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break
- 15:00 – 17:30 **Plenary Session**
- IX **Report of the Secretary General and overview of the implementation of the Convention at the global level**

- X **Issues arising from Resolutions and Recommendations of previous meetings of the Conference of the Contracting Parties**
- XI **Report of the Chairperson of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP)**
- XII **Report on implementation of the CEPA Programme 2009-2015**
- Evening Reception and presentation of **Ramsar Wetland Conservation Awards**

Thursday, 4 June 2015

- 08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)
- 08:30 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee
- 10:00 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**
- XIII **Financial report for 2012-2015 by the Chairperson of the Standing Committee Subgroup on Finance and proposed budget for the triennium 2016-2018**
- XIV **Election of Contracting Parties for the Standing Committee 2015-2018**
- XV **Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee**
- 13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break
- 15:00 – 18:00 **Plenary Session**
- XV **Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee (continued)**
- 18:30 – 21:00 **Regional Meetings** to prepare and canvass views for the upcoming sessions

Friday, 5 June 2015

- 08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)
- 08:30 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee (with Standing Committee 2015-2018 appointees as observers)
- 10:00 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**
- XV **Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee (continued)**
- 13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break
- 15:00 – 18:00 **Plenary Session**

XV Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee (continued)

Saturday, 6 June 2015

08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)

08:30 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee with Standing Committee 2015-2018 appointees as observers

10:00 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**

XV Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee (continued)

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 – 18:00 **Plenary Session**

XV Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee (continued)

18:30 – 20:00 Preparatory meeting of the appointees to the incoming Standing Committee 2015-2018

Sunday, 7 June 2015

08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)

08:30 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee (if needed) with Standing Committee 2015-2018 appointees as observers

Field visits organized by Uruguay

Monday, 8 June 2015

08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)

08:30 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee with Standing Committee 2015-2018 appointees as observers

10:00 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**

XVI Report of the Credentials Committee

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

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 – 18:00 **Plenary Session**

XVIII Adoption of Conference Resolutions and Recommendations

Tuesday, 9 June 2015

08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)

08:30 – 09:45 Meeting of the Conference Committee with Standing Committee 2015-2018 appointees as observers

10:00 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**

XVIII Adoption of Conference Resolutions and Recommendations (continued)

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 – 18:00 **Plenary Session**

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

XX Any other business

XXI Adoption of the report of the 12th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties

XXII Close of the meeting

18:30 – 19:30 **50th Meeting of the Standing Committee** (incoming members to elect officers and subgroup members, and agree the date and venue of the first full meeting)