53rd Meeting of the Standing Committee

Agenda

Monday 29 May 2017

08:15 – 09:45 Regional meetings

10:00 – 13:00 Meeting of the Management Working Group
Working Group on CEPA Implementation (Doc. SC53-03)
Proposal of new MOUs (Doc. SC53-04)
Review of existing Working Groups (Doc. SC53-05)
Strategy on the use of UN languages (Doc. SC53-06)

15:00 – 18:00 Meeting of Sub-group on COP13
Progress with preparations for COP13 (Doc. SC53-07)
- Dates and venue of COP13
- COP theme and logo
- Timeline in lead up to COP13 including regional pre-COP meetings
- Document distribution (“paperless COP”)
COP13 Agenda (Doc.SC53-08)

Tuesday 30 May 2017

08:15 – 09:45 Regional meetings

10:00 – 13:00 Meeting of the Sub-group on Finance
Financial matters 2016 (Doc. SC53-20)
Report on outstanding contributions (Doc. SC53-21)
Update on fundraising for COP13 (Pre-COP regional meetings and other priority activities for fundraising)

13:00 – 15:00 Meeting of the Facilitation Working Group

15:00 – 18:00 Meeting of the CEPA Oversight Panel / Meeting of the Working Group on CEPA Implementation
Wednesday 31 May 2017

08:15 – 09:45 Regional meetings

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

1. Opening statements
   a. Chair of the Standing Committee (Uruguay)
   b. Director General of IUCN (or her representative)
   c. Statement on behalf of the six International Organization Partners (IOPs)
   d. Secretary General of the Ramsar Convention

2. Review and adoption of the Provisional Agenda (Docs. SC53-01, SC53-01 Add.1)

3. Admission of observers (SC53-Inf.Doc.02)

4. Report of the Secretary General (Doc. SC53-02)

   a. Working Group on CEPA Implementation (Doc. SC53-03)
   b. Proposal of new MOUs (Doc. SC53-04)
   c. Review of existing Working Groups (Doc. SC53-05)
   d. Strategy on the use of UN languages (Doc. SC53-06)

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

6. Report of the Sub-group on COP13
   a. Progress with preparations for COP13 (Doc. SC53-07)
      - Dates and venue of COP13
      - COP theme and logo
      - Timeline in lead up to COP13 including pre-COP regional meetings
      - Document distribution (“paperless COP”)
   b. COP13 Agenda (Doc. SC53-08)

7. Secretariat Work Plan for the 2016-18 triennium and annual plan for 2017 (Doc. SC53-09)


18:00 Reception

Thursday 1 June 2017

08:15 – 09:45 Regional meetings

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


10. Update on the Ramsar Regional Initiatives (Doc. SC53-12)
11. Strategy on the use of UN languages (Doc. SC53-06)

13:00 – 15:00 Meeting of the Sub-group on Finance (continued)

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

12. Report of the CEPA Oversight Panel

13. Secretariat report on CEPA-related activities
   a. Implementation of Secretariat CEPA action plan (Doc. SC53-03)
   b. Report on World Wetlands Day 2017
   c. Theme for World Wetlands Day 2018
   d. The Ramsar Wetlands Conservation Awards 2018 (Doc. SC53-13)
   e. Update on the MAVA project “Conservation of the natural and cultural heritage in wetlands” (Doc. SC53-14)

14. Progress on implementing Resolution XI.6 on partnership and synergies (Doc. SC53-15)

15. Progress report on implementation of the Wetland City Accreditation (Doc. SC53-16)

Friday 2 June 2017

08:15 – 09:45 Regional meetings

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

16. Report on national and regional targets of the Strategic Plan (Doc. SC53-17)

17. The status of the List of Wetlands of International Importance (Doc. SC53-18) and update on the Ramsar Sites Information Service (RSIS).

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

18. Options for holding future meetings of the Standing Committee in Geneva (Doc. SC53-19)


20. Report of the Sub-group on Finance
   a. Financial matters 2016 (Doc. SC53-20)
   b. Report on outstanding contributions (Doc.SC53-21)
   c. Update on fundraising for COP13 (Pre-COP regional meetings and other priority activities for fundraising)

21. Other matters
   a. Date and venue of the 54th Meeting of the Standing Committee
   b. Adoption of the report of the 53rd Meeting
   c. Any other business
   d. Closing remarks