RAMSAR CONVENTION ON WETLANDS 57th Meeting of the Standing Committee Gland, Switzerland, 24 – 28 June 2019

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Working programme

Monday 24 June 2019

- 08:15 09:30 Regional meetings
- 09:45 11:00 Meeting of the Management Working Group
- Report on the selection process of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel for the triennium 2019-2021 according to Resolution XII.5
- Report on the Establishment of the CEPA Oversight Panel
- 11:00 13:00 Meeting of the Working Group on the Review of the Strategic Plan of the Ramsar Convention
- 13:30 15:00 Meeting of the Effectiveness Working Group
- 15:00 18:00 Meeting of the Subgroup on Finance

Tuesday 25 June 2019

08:15 – 09:45 Regional meetings

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

- 1. Opening statements
 - 1.1 Chair of the Standing Committee (United Arab Emirates)
 - 1.2 Director General of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
 - 1.3 International Organization Partners
 - 1.4 Secretary General of the Convention
- 2. Adoption of the provisional agenda
- 3. Adoption of the provisional working programme
- 4. Admission of observers

- 5. Report of the Secretary General
- 6. Report of the Management Working Group
- 13:30 15:00 Meeting of the Effectiveness Working Group

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- 8. Urgent challenges to wise use of wetlands to receive enhanced attention
- 9. Report of the Working Group on the Review of the Strategic Plan of the Ramsar Convention
- 25. Report of the Secretariat on the Ramsar Regional Initiatives in 2018 and 2019, and establishment of the Ramsar Regional Initiatives Working Group
- 26. Wetland City Accreditation: Guidance for the 2019-2021 triennium
- 11. Final reports of the Chairs of retired working groups
 - 11.1 Transition Committee
 - 11.2 Resource Mobilization Working Group
 - 11.3 Working Group on CEPA Implementation
 - 11.4 Facilitation Working Group
 - 11.5 Language Strategy Working Group
 - 11.6 Staffing Working Group
- 12. Report of the Executive Team
- 12.1 Terms of reference of the Executive Team

Wednesday 26 June 2019

- 08:15 09:45 Regional meetings
- 10:00 13:00 Plenary Session of the Standing Committee
- 13. Review of the Rules of Procedure
- 14. Review of all previous Resolutions and decisions
- 18. Observer status in the United Nations General Assembly

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

- 21. Follow up to COP13 and preparation of COP14
 - 21.1 Report of the Secretariat on COP13
 - 21.1 Bis Oral report of the Secretariat on the Ramsar Award on innovation
 - 21.2 COP14 Host and establishment of the Subgroup on COP14
- 20. Report of the Chair of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel, including work plan for 2019-2021
- 18:00 Reception, offered by Switzerland

Thursday 27 June 2019

08:15 – 09:45 Regional meetings

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

- 10. Report of the Effectiveness Working Group and approval of the Terms of Reference of the Group
- 16. Work plan of the Secretariat for 2019-2021
- 15. Communication, capacity building, education, participation and awareness (CEPA)

15.1 Establishment of the CEPA Oversight Panel (Proposal to assume the responsibilities assigned in Resolution XII.9 *The Ramsar Convention's CEPA Programme* and in accordance with Decision SC50-08 tasked to the Working Group on CEPA Implementation to develop a new approach for supporting CEPA implementation: paragraphs 25 and 26 of Resolution XIII.5 *Review of the fourth Strategic Plan of the Ramsar Convention*)

- 15.2 Report of the Secretariat on World Wetlands Day
- 15.3 Implementation of Resolution XIII.1 on World Wetlands Day (UN request)

14:00-15:00 Meeting of the Subgroup on Finance

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

17. Enhancing the Convention's visibility and synergies with other multilateral environmental agreements and other international institutions

17Bis Contributions of the Convention to the IUCN World Conservation Congress 2020

- 19. Ramsar Convention Resource Mobilization Work Plan
- 22. National Reports for COP14

Friday 28 June 2019

08:15 – 09:45 Regional meetings

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

- 7. Financial and budgetary matters report of the Subgroup on Finance
 - 7.1 Report on financial matters for 2018 and 2019
 - 7.2 Report of the auditor on the financial statements 2018 (included in item 7.1)
 - 7.3 Status of annual contributions
 - 7.4 Approval of Small Grant Fund beneficiaries
- 23. Update on the status of Sites on the List of Wetlands of International Importance
- 24. Ramsar Advisory Missions: Operational guidance
- 26. Wetland City Accreditation: Guidance for the 2019-2021 triennium (continued)

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

- 27. 58th meeting of the Standing Committee
 - 27.1 Implications of joint meetings of the Standing Committee and the Scientific and Technical Review Panel
 - 27.2 Dates of the 58th meeting
- 28. Adoption of the report of the meeting
- 29. Any other business
- 30. Closing remarks