



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

“Wetlands: home and destination”

Bucharest, Romania, 6-13 July 2012

Agenda item III

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Provisional Agenda

- 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 on implementation of the CEPA Programme 2009-2015
- XI Report of the Secretary General and overview of the implementation of the Convention at the global level
- XII Issues arising from Resolutions and Recommendations of previous meetings of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
- XIII Financial report for 2009-2012 by the Chairperson of the Standing Committee Subgroup on Finance and proposed budget for the triennium 2013-2015
- XIV Election of Contracting Parties for the Standing Committee 2013-2015
- 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 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
- XXII Close of the meeting

Wednesday, 4 July 2012

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

Thursday, 5 July 2012

08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)
09:00 – 13:00 **Regional meetings**
14:00 – 18:00 **Regional meetings** (continued)

Friday, 6 July 2012

08:00 – 17:00 Registration (continued)
09:00 – 12:00 **Regional meetings** (continued) (including recommendations to the Plenary Session on Contracting Parties to be elected to serve on the Standing Committee (Agenda item XIV))
13:00 – 16:00 **Regional meetings** (continued) (including recommendations to the Plenary Session on Contracting Parties to be elected to serve on the Standing Committee (Agenda item XIV))
17:00 – 19:00 **Opening ceremony and welcoming statements** (includes **Agenda items I and II** and presentation of **Ramsar Wetland Conservation Awards**)
19:00 – 21:30 Welcome reception

Saturday, 7 July 2012

08:00 – 18:00 Registration (continued)
08:30 – 09:30 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**
 Statement by a representative of the World Wetland NGOs Conference
 IX Report of the Chairperson of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP)

- X **Report on implementation of the CEPA Programme 2009-2015**
- XI **Report of the Secretary General and overview of the implementation of the Convention at the global level**
- XII **Issues arising from Resolutions and Recommendations of previous meetings of the Conference of the Contracting Parties**
- 17:30 – 18:00 ***Special Presentation: Wetland conservation and sustainable use in Romania (speaker to be confirmed by Romania)***

Followed by Host Country reception for Heads of Delegations

Sunday, 8 July 2012

- 08:30 – 18:00 Registration (continues each day to 13 July)
- 08:30 – 09:30 Meeting of the Conference Committee
- 10:00 – 10:30 ***Special Presentation: Outcomes of Rio+20 summit and their implications for the Ramsar Convention (Brice Lalonde, Executive Coordinator of Rio+20, UN-DESA)***
- 10:30 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**
- XIII **Financial report for 2009-2012 by the Chairperson of the Standing Committee Subgroup on Finance and proposed budget for the triennium 2013-2015**
- XIV **Election of Contracting Parties for the Standing Committee 2013-2015**
- 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 caucus views for the upcoming sessions (if needed)

Monday, 9 July 2012

- 08:30 – 09:30 Meeting of the Conference Committee (with Standing Committee 2013-2015 appointees as observers)

10:00 – 10:30 ***Special Presentation: Sustainable tourism and the value of wetlands***
(Taleb Rifai, Secretary General, World Tourism Organization
(UNWTO))

10:30 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**

XV **Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations
submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee**
(continuation from the previous day)

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**
(continuation from the previous session)

Tuesday, 10 July 2012

08:30 – 09:30 Meeting of the Conference Committee (with Standing Committee 2013-2015
appointees as observers)

10:00 – 10:30 ***Special Presentation: The value and economics of water and wetlands***
– TEEB synthesis report (Andrew Farmer, Director of Research,
Institute for European Environmental Policy (IEEP))

10:30 – 13:00 **Plenary Session**

XV **Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations
submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee**
(continuation from the previous day)

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 – 15:30 ***Special Presentation: Water security and the importance of wetlands as***
natural infrastructure in water resource management (Michael
Scoullou, Chair of Global Water Partnership (GWP) Mediterranean)

15:30 – 18:00 **Plenary Session**

XV **Consideration of the draft Resolutions and Recommendations
submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee**
(continuation from the previous session)

18:30 – 20:00 Meeting of the appointees to the incoming Standing Committee 2013-2015
(election of Chairs, date & venue of their first full meeting of the new term)

Wednesday, 11 July 2012

08:30 – 09:30 Meeting of the Conference Committee (if necessary) (with Standing Committee 2013-2015 appointees as observers)

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

Thursday, 12 July 2012

08:30 – 09:30 Meeting of the Conference Committee (with Standing Committee 2013-2015 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

Friday, 13 July 2012

08:30 – 09:30 Meeting of the Conference Committee (with Standing Committee 2013-2015 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 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties

XXII Close of the meeting

18:30 – 19:30 Meeting of the incoming Standing Committee for 2013-2015 (if needed)