

35th Meeting of the Standing Committee

Draft Agenda and Programme

Monday, 12 February

10:00 – 13:00 **Meeting of the Subgroup on COP10** (Republic of Korea (Chair), Austria, El Salvador, Kenya, Samoa, Switzerland, Thailand, USA, Wetlands International)

- Memorandum of Understanding with the Government of the Republic of Korea (DOC. SC35/SG COP10-1)
- Report of preparations by the ROK (verbal)
- Ramsar Award/Evian Special Prize (DOC. SC35/SG COP10-2)
- Regional meetings (verbal)

15:00 – 18:00 **Meeting of the Subgroup on Finance** (USA (Chair), Benin, China, Czech Republic, Ecuador, Samoa)

- 2006 Budget review and update (DOC. SC35/SG Finance-1)
- 2007 Budget (DOC. SC35/SG Finance-2)
- Report on Regional Initiatives (DOC. SC35-11)
- Towards a new Budget Framework for COP10 (DOC. SC35/SG Finance-3)
- The SGF – Report on operation and ideas for future funding of Contracting Party activities (DOC. SC35/SG Finance-4)
- Renewal of the Danone/Evian Project (verbal)

Tuesday, 13 February

10:00 – 13:00 **Meeting of the Subgroup on the Strategic Plan** (Bahamas (Chair), Australia, Benin, Ecuador, Georgia, I.R. Iran, Japan, UK, USA, BirdLife International)

- Development of the Convention's Strategic Plan 2009-2014 (DOC. SC35-9)
- Format for National Reports for COP10 (DOC. SC35-10)

15:00 – 18:00 **Meeting of the Management Working Group** (Chair and Vice Chair of COP8 Standing Committee, Chair and Vice Chair of COP9 SC, COP8 and COP9 Chairs of Subgroup on Finance, STRP COP8 Chair,

STRP COP9 Chair, Secretary General, BirdLife International and WWF International, and representatives of the following Contracting Parties: China, Japan, Malawi, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Samoa, Switzerland, Syria, Viet Nam)

- Establishment of mechanisms for transition between COPs (DOC. SC35/MWG-1)
- Management of the Secretariat (DOC. SC35/MWG-2)
- Consideration of appointment of second Deputy Secretary General for 2007 (DOC. SG35/MWG-3)

CLOSED SESSION

- Secretary General replacement

18:00 Reception for all delegates in the IUCN foyer

Wednesday, 14 February

10:00 – 13:00 Plenary Session

1. Opening statements
 - a) Chair of the Standing Committee, Paul Mafabi, Uganda
 - b) Statement on behalf of the five International Organization Partners
 - c) Secretary General, Peter Bridgewater
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Admission of Observers
4. Report of the Secretary General and review of the Secretariat Work Plan 2006, including implementation of COP9 Resolutions (DOC. SC35-2)
5. Report of activities with International Organization Partners (DOC. SC35-3)
 - a) Watching the Wetlands – BirdLife International (DOC. SC35-4)
6. Report of the Culture Working Group (DOC. SC35-5)

15:00 – 18:00 Plenary Session

7. Report of the Subgroup on COP10
8. Financial matters: Report of the Subgroup on Finance

Thursday, 15 February

10:00 – 13:00 Plenary Session

9. Selection procedure for Secretary General (CLOSED SESSION)

10. Report of the Management Working group
11. Report of the CEPA Oversight Panel (DOC SC35-6)
12. Resolution VIII.45 – review of status (DOC. SC35-7)
13. Report of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel (DOC. SC35-8)

15:00 – 18:00 Plenary Session

Welcoming statements

- d) Welcoming statement from Mr Gérard Cretegny, Mayor of Gland
- e) Welcoming statement from the Director-General of IUCN, Julia Marton-Lefebvre

14. Report of the Subgroup on the Strategic Plan
 - Strategic Plan framework to be proposed for COP10 (DOC. SC35-9)
 - National Report Framework for COP10 (DOC SC35-10)
15. COP9 outputs requiring review by SC35:
 - Resolution IX.7 – Regional Initiatives (including CREHO Progress Report) (DOC. SC35-11)
 - Review of COP decisions (Resolution IX.17) (DOC. SC35-12)
 - Actions under Resolution IX.14 on wetlands and poverty reduction (DOC. SC35-13)
 - Actions under Resolution IX.15 on the status of sites on the Ramsar List (DOC. SC35-14)
 - Resolution IX.22 – Ramsar sites and protected area systems (DOC. SC35-15)
 - Resolution IX.23 – Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (DOC. SC35-16)
16. Ramsar Secretariat Work Plan 2007 (DOC. SC35-17)

19:30 Standing Committee dinner

Friday, 16 February

10:00 – 13:00 Plenary Session and closure of the meeting

17. Legal status of the Secretariat (Resolution IX.10) (DOC. SC35-18)
18. 36th Meeting of the Standing Committee
19. Adoption of the report of the meeting
20. Any other business
21. Closing remarks