

Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)
17th meeting of the Scientific & Technical Review Panel (STRP)
25 February - 1 March 2013, Gland, Switzerland

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Draft outline Agenda

The main work of this first STRP meeting of the 2013-2015 cycle must be to review tasks requested of it in Resolution XI.17, agree which appointed STRP members will lead oversight of implementation of tasks under each XI.17 theme/sub-theme, establish the initial (core) membership of any thematic or task-specific working groups, and further develop the STRP's proposed 2013-2015 Work Plan, including task costings, and task implementation processes.

This work plan needs to be transmitted for approval to the Standing Committee, at its 46th meeting in April 2013. Note that since all Standing Committee documents must be provided to the Committee at least one month prior to the opening of its meetings for SC46 this deadline is Friday 8 March 2013. This means that there is only one week following the close of STRP17 to finalise the draft Work Plan to submit to SC46.

Monday 25 February 2013

0900-1300 Plenary

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| 0900-0915 | 1. Welcome & opening comments |
| 0915-0945 | 2. Introductions
- very brief introduction of members, invited experts and observers |
| 0945-0950 | 3. Adoption of the Agenda |
| 0950-1050 | 4. Briefing on the Ramsar Convention and STRP
4.1 Overview of Convention processes;
4.2 STRP <i>modus operandi</i> , roles and responsibilities, and draft ToRs;
4.3 Objectives and outcomes for STRP17
4.4 Launch of new STRP web-portal and workspace |
| 1050-1120 | 5. Briefing on the implications for STRP of, and roles in, review for “Ensuring efficient delivery of scientific and technical advice and support to the Convention” (Resolution XI.16) |
| 1120-1135 | 6. Briefing on other relevant issues and topics for the work of STRP (e.g. CBD and other MEAs' collaboration; IPBES etc.) |
| 1135-1200 | 7. Background and overview of Resolution XI.17 themes, tasks and priorities |
| 1200-1250 | 8. Establishment of Thematic and task Working Groups, their leads and their core membership, and agreement on any other processes needed |

Themes for 2013-2015 (Resolution XI.17) are:

- CEPA
- Strategic, emerging & ongoing issues

- Wetland inventory, assessment, monitoring & reporting
- Wetlands of International Importance
- Ramsar, wetlands and other sectors:
 - Wetlands & human health
 - Wetlands & climate change
 - Wetlands & water resource management
 - Wetlands & agriculture
 - Wetlands & poverty eradication
 - Wetlands & urbanization
 - Wetlands & tourism
 - Wetlands & energy
- Wetlands & ecosystem services

1250-1300 **9. Review of available task implementation funds, and funds needed**

1300-1400 **Lunch**

1400-1800 Plenary

1400-1430 **10. Briefing for Working Groups on outcomes & products needed, and procedures to be followed**

Note. It is planned that initial review and discussion of tasks under each 2013-2015 theme will take place in plenary sessions, but that as needed break-out rooms will be available for thematic working groups (or specific task groups) to work in parallel on task formulations.

1430-1600 **11. Tasks review & development: CEPA**

1600-1800 **12. Tasks review & development: Strategic, emerging and ongoing issues**

Tuesday 26 February 2013

1000-1300 Plenary

1000-1130 **13. Task review & development: Wetlands of International Importance**

1130-1300 **14. Task review & development: Wetlands & human health**

1300-1400 **Lunch**

1400-1800 Plenary

1400-1530 **15. Task review & development: Wetlands and climate change**

1530-1700 **16. Task review & development: Wetlands & water resource management**

1700-1800 **17. Task review & development: Wetlands & agriculture**

1800-1830 **Light supper** (soup & sandwiches)

1830-2030 **18. Task review & development: Wetland inventory, assessment, monitoring & reporting**

Wednesday 27 February 2013

1000-1300 Plenary

1000-1130 **19. Task review & development: Wetlands & poverty eradication**

1130-1300 **20. Task review & development: Wetlands & ecosystem services**

1300-1400 Lunch

1400-1530 Plenary

1400-1430 **21. Task review & development: Wetlands & urbanization** (no Top Priority tasks)

1430-1500 **22. Task review & development: Wetlands & tourism** (no Top Priority tasks)

1500-1530 **23. Task review & development: Wetlands and energy** (no Top Priority tasks)

1530-1800 23. Working Groups – parallel sessions (further development of work plan tasks, as needed)

1800-1830 Plenary

1800-1830 **24. Brief review of progress in Work Plan development and issues arising**

Thursday 28 February 2013

0900-1300 Plenary

0900-1300 **25. Report back from each Working Group on work plan, and agreement on each work plan task**

1300-1400 Lunch

1400-1800 Plenary

1400-1800 **25. (continued) Report back from each Working Group on work plan, and agreement on each work plan task**

1930- **STRP Dinner & raffle** (Hostellerie du XVIeme Cicle)

Friday 1 March 2013

0900-1300 Plenary

0900-1300 **26. Review of consolidated 2013-2015 work plan and budget allocation priorities**

1300-1400 Lunch

1400-1730 Plenary

1400-1600 **26. (continued) Review of consolidated 2013-2015 work plan and budget allocation priorities**

1600-1630 **27. Adoption of draft 2013-2015 work plan**

1630-1645 **28. Date and venue of mid-term workshops (and STRP18)**

1645-1715 **29. Any other business**

1715-1730 **30. Closing comments, and closure of the meeting**