

Composition of the Standing Committee of the Convention on Wetlands

for the period between the closure of Ramsar COP7 on 18 May 1999
and the closure of Ramsar COP8 to be held in 2002

Note: According to Resolution VII.1, the representation of each region is proportional to the number of Contracting Parties in that region.

Chair: Mr. Stephen Hunter, Head, Biodiversity Group, Environment
Australia

Vice Chair: Mr. Paul Mafabi, Manager, National Wetlands Programme,
Ministry of Water, Lands and Environment, Uganda

Voting Members:

Africa	Algeria, Togo, and Uganda
Asia	India, and Japan
Europe	Armenia, France, Norway, and the Slovak Republic
Neotropics	Argentina, and Trinidad and Tobago
North America	Mexico
Oceania	Australia
Host of COP7 (1999)	Costa Rica
Host of COP8 (2002)	Spain

Composition of the Subgroup on Finance of the Standing Committee:

Algeria, Argentina, Armenia (Chair), Japan and Mexico.

Permanent Observers:

The Netherlands and Switzerland

Regular Observer:

The Chairperson of the Convention's Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP)

International Organization Partners (Resolution VII.3) invited as Observers:

BirdLife International
IUCN, the World Conservation Union
Wetlands International
World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)