

Notification 2011/6

Draft Agenda for the 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties and deadlines for submission of Draft Resolutions and National Reports

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971) presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of... .. and has the honour to refer to the following:

The Ramsar Secretariat is pleased to confirm that the 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention (Ramsar COP11) will be held in Bucharest, Romania, **from 19 to 26 June 2012**, with the 44th meeting of Standing Committee planned for 17 June and an additional day of regional meetings on 18 June, as requested by many Contracting Parties.

The theme of COP11 is “Wetlands, Tourism, and Recreation”.

The Provisional Agenda for Ramsar COP11 is attached. This Provisional Agenda has been reviewed and approved by the Standing Committee of the Convention at its 42nd meeting, held in Gland, Switzerland, from 17-20 May 2011.

The Secretariat draws the attention of Contracting Parties to the Rules of Procedure concerning submission of Draft Resolutions. The deadline for submission is 60 days before the final Standing Committee meeting that can approve such Draft Resolutions for consideration by the Conference of the Parties. The 43rd meeting of the Standing Committee is scheduled for 31 October - 4 November 2011, and therefore Draft Resolutions should reach the Secretariat by **30 August 2011** at the latest.

The Secretariat also reminds Contracting Parties that, as indicated in Notification 2011/4, the deadline for the submission of National Reports to COP11 is **15 September 2011**.

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands respectfully requests that the content of the present Note be communicated to the competent national authorities and avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission of... .. the assurance of its highest consideration.

Gland, 26 May 2011

Encl: Draft Agenda for Ramsar COP11