



Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals

Secretariat provided by the United Nations Environment Programme



28th Meeting of the Standing Committee

Bonn, 21-22 April 2005

CMS/StC28/2.1-E

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

(as at 4 April 2005)

ITEMS

DOCUMENTS

1. Opening remarks and introductions

The Chair of the CMS Standing Committee will open the meeting on 21 April at 09.00. A representative of the Nature Conservation Department of the German Ministry for the Environment will welcome the Committee participants and the CMS Executive Secretary will make some remarks including introducing several new members of the Secretariat staff.

2. Confirmation of Rules of Procedure (unchanged from 27th Meeting)

The Committee will be invited to adopt its rules of procedure.

CMS/StC28/Inf. 7

Expected outcome: Rules of procedure adopted.

3. Adoption of the agenda

The Committee will be invited to consider the provisional agenda, the provisional annotated agenda and meeting schedule, list of documents, and make any proposals for amendment, prior to their adoption taking into consideration the need for possible closed sessions.

CMS/StC28/1
CMS/StC28/2.1
CMS/StC28/2.2
CMS/StC28/3

Expected outcome: Agreement on the agenda and schedule for the meeting, including indication of any agenda items for which closed sessions (i.e., CMS Parties only) would be required.

4. Adoption of reports of the 27th Meeting

The Committee will be invited to note the report of its 27th Meeting.

CMS/StC28/4
CMS/StC28/Inf.4

Expected outcome: Standing Committee 27 report noted.

5. Secretariat's report on CMS inter-session activities since 27th Meeting

Executive Secretary and his colleagues will give a powerpoint presentation briefing the Committee.

Expected outcome: Participants are well informed of recent developments, and have an opportunity to request additional information pertinent to their regions.

For reasons of economy, this document is made available on the website <www.cms.int> will not be distributed at the meeting. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copy to the meeting and not to request additional copies.

ITEMS

DOCUMENTS

6. Reports from Standing Committee members and observers

a) Reports from members and observers

CMS/StC28/Inf.6

Committee members and observers will be invited to report briefly (5 minutes) on their on-going activities and identified responsibilities relevant to implementation of CMS, such as contacts with non-Parties to encourage CMS membership, implementation of regional initiatives and joint activities, future plans, etc. Further details of reports anticipated under this item, as well as the order of reporting, will be provided at the meeting.

Expected outcome: Participants are kept abreast of the latest regional developments, prospects for recruitment of new Parties, as well as future planned activities.

b) Report of the Scientific Council Chairman

CMS/StC28/Inf 6

The Scientific Council Chairman, Professor Colin Galbriath, will make an oral intervention and provide an overview of the development since the 12th Meeting of the CMS Scientific Council in 2004.

Expected outcome: The Committee takes note of the report.

c) Report on CMS projects

CMS/StC28/13

An update on the status of on-going projects recommended by the ScC, approved by the COP and administered by the CMS Secretariat will be provided. Options for, and considerations on the possible continuation of the CMS Small Grant Programme, will be presented by the Secretariat.

Expected outcome: The Committee takes note of the report by the Secretariat and provides comments, as appropriate, on the possible continuation/further development of the Small Grant Programme.

7. Sahelo-Saharan Antelope Project: progress

The Secretariat will report on the Sahelo-Saharan antelope project giving an assessment of progress made on its implementation in the region.

CMS/StC28/12

Expected outcome: The Committee takes note of the Secretariat report and encourages the Secretariat to (a) continue to roll out the agreed project as possible; (b) attract further parties and funding; (c) co-operate with IUCN to provide a paper on scientific and illegal killing issue for COP8 and (d) take soundings on the creation of a WSSD Partnership for SS antelopes.

8. Resources

a) Secretariat Manpower and Organisations

The Secretariat will report on and seek Committee guidance on various matters related to manpower resources.

Expected outcome: The Committee takes note of the Secretariat report and the progress being made on recruitment matters for regular staff; it discusses the personnel situation of the Secretariat and provides the Secretariat with any guidance needed.

ITEMS

DOCUMENTS

b) Status of CMS budget 2003 -2005

CMS/StC28/5

The Secretariat will report on and seek Committee guidance on various matters related to the performance of the Trust Fund (2003-2005). Standing Committee is also invited to take note of the assessed contributions made to date and may wish to express its appreciation to the Parties that have made timely contributions to the Trust Fund.

Expected outcome: The Committee takes note of the Secretariat report and to give comments or guidance, as necessary, to the Secretariats' contributions.

c) Fundraising Project: Interim Report

CMS/StC28/6

As requested in June 2004 by the Standing Committee, the Secretariat will present the document on "Professional fundraising for the CMS Family" and the appointed fundraiser present a progress report to the Committee.

Expected outcome: The Committee is invited to note the steps taken to develop a targeted, fundraising strategy and to agree in principle to the creation of a "Friends of CMS" body to be launched at the time of the next COP.

d) Report of the Budget Working Group for next triennium (2006-2008)

CMS/StC28/7

As requested in June 2004 by the Standing Committee, the Chair of the Budget Working Group will present the report of BWG on "Resources for the next triennium 2006-2008 for efficient delivery of its mandate and implementation of the work programme approved by the Conference of the Parties".

Expected outcome: The Committee is asked to note the results of the Budget Working group; agree that the 4 budgetary options identified should be submitted to COP8, and to offer their views on the other issues outlined above.

9. Planning

a) Strategic Plan - (2006-2011)

CMS/StC28/8

The Secretariat will present the document CMS/StC28/8 and give the background on the need to review the ongoing Strategic Plan and learned lessons from the ongoing Plan.

Expected outcome: The Committee would give guidance on the key issues to be taken into account for implementing the new Strategic Plan (2006-2011)

b) Report of the Working Group

CMS/StC28/8

The ad hoc Working Group on elaboration of the next Strategic Plan (2006-2011) undertook a Workshop hosted by the United Kingdom in London on 2-4 March 2005. The outcome of this Workshop would help the StC 28 to take note of progress made in this issue.

Expected outcome: The Committee is requested to examine and give guidance on the outcome of the new revised draft document produced by the working group.

c) 2010 Biodiversity Target

CMS/StC28/9

The Secretariat will provide an update of the activities undertaken since StC 27 on the subject.

Expected outcome: The Committee takes note of the secretariat's report and provides guidance on further developments as appropriate.

ITEMS

DOCUMENTS

10. Eighth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties

a) Cost and timetable of COP

CMS/StC28/10

As requested in June 2004 by the Standing Committee, and after further consultation with the Standing Committee in December 2004 and January 2005, the Secretariat will present the document on “COP8 – Budget and Time table” and milestones.

Expected outcome: The Committee is asked to approve the budget and timetable for COP8 subject to a further verbal progress report by the Executive Secretary on 21 April 2005.

b) Funding CMS delegates at meetings

CMS/StC28/11

As requested in June 2004 by the Standing Committee, the Secretariat will present the proposals on “Funding for Delegates and Observers” and three scenarios for new eligibility rules.

Expected outcome: The Committee is asked to select one of the three options.

c) Draft Agenda

The Secretariat provides the StC with a proposal of CoP8 draft Agenda

Expected outcome: The Committee may add important issues for consideration.

11. Date and venue of the next meeting of the Standing Committee

The proposed date of, and arrangements for, the 29th and 30th Meetings of the Standing Committee will be confirmed.

Expected outcome: Agreement on the date of the next Standing Committee meeting.

12. Any other business

Committee members are invited to raise and discuss other issues not covered under the former agenda items.

13. Closure of the meeting