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**THEMATIC PROGRAMMES OF WORK: REVIEW, FURTHER ELABORATION AND
REFINEMENT**

Revised Programme of Work on the Biological Diversity of Inland Water Ecosystems

Note by the Executive Secretary

1. In paragraph 5 of decision V/2, the Conference of the Parties requested the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) to review the implementation of the programme of work on biodiversity of inland water ecosystems and to include in its review advice on the further elaboration and refinement of the programme of work, having due regard to the issues relating, *inter alia*, to water supply, land use and tenure, pollution, invasive alien species, the effects of El Niño, and environmental impact assessment.
2. In its decision VI/2 (paragraph 3) the Conference of the Parties emphasized the importance of review and elaboration of the programme of work on biological diversity of inland water ecosystems, as outlined in the progress report by the Executive Secretary on thematic programmes of work (UNEP/CBD/COP/6/11, paragraphs 22-24).
3. SBSTTA, at its eighth meeting, held in Montreal from 10 to 14 March 2003, addressed the biological diversity of inland water ecosystems, including a proposed revised programme of work on inland water biological diversity, in its recommendation VIII/2. This recommendation is contained in the report of the eighth meeting of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (UNEP/CBD/COP/7/3).
4. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties is invited to consider recommendation VIII/2 of the eighth meeting of SBSTTA, and to adopt a revised programme of work on inland water biological diversity.

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