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DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. Opening of the meeting.
- 2. Organizational matters:
 - 2.1. Election of officers;
 - 2.2. Adoption of the agenda;
 - 2.3. Organization of work.
- 3. Substantive issues
 - 3.1. Consolidation and assessment of information on the following issues:
 - 3.1.1. Status and trends of biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands,
 - 3.1.2. Possible establishment of an international network of dry and sub-humid areas of particular value for biodiversity;
 - 3.1.3. Indicators of the status and trends of biological diversity; monitoring and early warning systems;
 - 3.1.4. Processes affecting biodiversity;
 - 3.1.5. Global benefits derived from biodiversity and valuation of biodiversity;
 - 3.1.6. Socio-economic impacts of biodiversity loss, including the interrelationship between biodiversity and poverty.
 - 3.2 Assessment of the progress and the effects of the specific measures

- 3.2.1 Measures been taken for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity (including the role of *ex-situ* conservation, resource management and preventive measures),
- 3.2.2 Measures taken for the support of sustainable livelihoods;
- 3.2.3 Consideration of capacity development, and the need of some Parties for assistance in seeking resources to develop proposals.
- 3.3 Priority setting
- 3.3.1 Assessment of international priorities set up at the regional and global levels;
- 3.3.2 Proposals for expected outcomes, further activities, possible actors that may implement them, and timetables for action.
- 4. Scoping of inter-sessional work and preparation for the second meeting:
 - 4.1. Consideration of the scope of work for addressing the gaps identified under agenda item 3;
 - 4.2. Consideration of modalities to undertake such work in the inter-sessional period and preparations for the second meeting of the Group
- 5. Other matters.
- 6. Adoption of the report.
- 7. Closure of the meeting.

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