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First meeting

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Item 7 of the provisional agenda

**DATES AND VENUE OF THE SECOND MEETING OF
THE SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE**

Note by the Secretariat

1. Rule 3 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity provides that "the meetings of the Conference of the Parties shall take place at the seat of the Secretariat, unless the Conference of the Parties decides otherwise or other appropriate arrangements are made by the Secretariat in consultation with the Parties". Rule 4, paragraph 2, of the same document states that "at each ordinary meeting, the Conference of the Parties shall decide on the date and duration of the next ordinary meeting". According to rule 26, paragraph 5, the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the proceedings of subsidiary bodies established under the Convention, unless otherwise decided by the Conference of the Parties (Document UNEP/CBD/COP/1/17).
2. The first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice may wish to decide on the dates and venue of its second meeting.
3. Assuming that the third meeting of the Conference of the Parties will be held in 1996 during the same period as its second meeting, the nominees to the Bureau of the first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, during their meeting held in Geneva on 6-7 June 1995 suggested that the second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice might be held from 2 to 6 September 1996.
4. The first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice may wish to consider the dates of 2 to 6 September 1996 for the convening of its second meeting.



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**Draft provisional agenda
of the second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific,
Technical and Technological Advice.**

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. Matters on which advice from the SBSTTA is required by the third meeting of the Conference of the Parties:
 - 3.1 Review of assessment of biological diversity made in 1995, and provision of advice on methodologies for future assessments.
 - 3.2 Alternative ways and means in which the Conference of the Parties could start the process of identification, monitoring and assessment of components of biological diversity, as well as processes and categories of activities which have or are likely to have significant adverse impacts on the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity in accordance with Article 7.
 - 3.3 Ways and means to promote and facilitate access to, and transfer and development of technologies as envisaged in articles 16 and 18.
 - 3.4 Ways and means to preserve and maintain knowledge, innovations and practices of indigenous and local communities embodying traditional lifestyles relevant for the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, and to promote their wider application with the approval and involvement of the holders of such knowledge, innovations and practices, in accordance with Article 8 (j).
 - 3.5 Scientific, technical and technological aspects of the conservation of agricultural biological diversity and sustainable use of its components (also taking into account the other provisions in Article 25, paragraph 2).
 - 3.6 Scientific, technical and technological aspects of the future programme of work for terrestrial biological diversity in the light of the outcome of deliberations of the third session of the Commission on Sustainable Development.
 - 3.7 Contribution of the Convention on Biological Diversity to the forthcoming special session of the General Assembly to review implementation of Agenda 21.

4. Programme of work of the SBSTTA for 1995-1997.
5. Relations with other technical and scientific organs of related conventions, other international agreements, institutions and processes of relevance.
6. Draft provisional agenda of the third meeting of the SBSTTA.
7. Date and venue of the third meeting of the SBSTTA.
8. Other matters.
9. Adoption of the report.
10. Closure of the meeting.