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TECHNICAL EXPERT WORKSHOP ON OTHER EFFECTIVE AREA-BASED CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR ACHIEVING AICHI BIODIVERSITY TARGET 11

Montreal, Canada, 6 to 9 February 2018

ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

INTRODUCTION

1. In response to paragraphs 9(a(i)), 10(a) and 10(b) of decision XIII/2, on progress towards the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Targets 11 and 12, the Executive Secretary is convening the Technical Expert Workshop on Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures for Achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 11, to be held at the headquarters of the International Civil Aviation Organization, in Montreal, from 6 to 9 February 2018, with financial support from the Government of the Italy.

2. In paragraph 9(a(i)) of decision XIII/2, the Conference of the Parties invited Parties, other Governments, relevant partners, regional agencies, bilateral and multilateral funding agencies, in conjunction with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, taking into account information provided by, and in consultation with Parties and other Governments to undertake a review of experiences on protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures, taking into account the work of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and other appropriate expert bodies. In paragraph 10(a), the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to develop voluntary guidance on the elements listed in paragraph 9(a). In paragraph 10(b), the Conference of the Parties also requested the Executive Secretary to organize a technical expert workshop or workshops to provide scientific and technical advice on definition, management approaches and identification of other effective area-based conservation measures and their role in achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 11, and in paragraph 10(c) to report on progress to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) at a meeting held prior to the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

3. Accordingly, the purpose of the Workshop is to: (a) discuss and develop scientific and technical advice pursuant to paragraph 10(b) and (b) develop the necessary voluntary guidance in line with paragraph 10(a) of decision XIII/2.

BACKGROUND

4. In Article 2 of the Convention, “protected areas” means a geographically defined area which is designated or regulated and managed to achieve specific conservation objectives. In February 2004, in decision VII/28, the Conference of the Parties adopted the programme of work on protected areas (PoWPA) as a cross-cutting programme with the objective of supporting “the establishment and maintenance by 2010 for terrestrial and by 2012 for marine areas of comprehensive, effectively managed, and ecologically representative national and regional systems of protected areas that collectively, inter alia, through a global network contribute to achieving the three objectives of the Convention and the 2010 target to significantly reduce the current rate of biodiversity loss...”. In paragraph 1 of the same decision, the Conference of the Parties confirmed that efforts to establish and maintain systems of protected areas

and areas where special measures need to be taken to conserve biological diversity in line with Article 8 on in situ conservation and other relevant articles of the Convention, are essential for achieving, in implementing the ecosystem approach, the three objectives of the Convention and thus contributing to achieving ... Millennium Development Goals”. Thus, the notion of effective area-based measures was introduced by the Conference of the Parties in 2004.

5. In paragraph 25 of the same decision, the Conference of the Parties decided to establish an ad hoc open ended working group on protected areas to support and review the implementation of the PoWPA and report to the Conference of the Parties. The Working Group met twice, in 2005 and 2006, and considered a number of issues, inter alia, options for cooperation for the establishment of marine protected areas beyond the limits of national jurisdiction. The Conference of the Parties also decided to assess, at each of its meetings until 2010, progress in the implementation of the PoWPA and subsequently, adopted decisions VIII/24; IX/18; and X/31. In paragraph 6(b) of decision IX/18 and in paragraph 32(b) of decision X/31, the Conference of the Parties recognized “the contribution of, where appropriate, co-managed protected areas, private protected areas and indigenous and local community conserved areas within the national protected area system through acknowledgement in national legislation or other effective means”. In paragraph 24 of decision X/31, the Conference of the Parties encouraged Parties to establish marine protected areas for conservation and management of biodiversity as the main objective and, when in accordance with the management objectives for protected areas, as fisheries management tools.

6. In decision X/2, the Conference of the Parties adopted the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and its Aichi Biodiversity Targets, including Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 which states that: *By 2020, at least 17 per cent of terrestrial and inland water areas, and 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas, especially areas of particular importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services, are conserved through effectively and equitably managed, ecologically representative and well connected systems of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures, and integrated into the wider landscapes and seascapes.* A closer look at the objectives of the PoWPA and Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 clearly shows that Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 incorporated its tenets from the objectives of the PoWPA. In paragraph 15 of the same decision, the Conference of the Parties affirmed that the thematic and various cross-cutting programmes of work of the Convention provide detailed guidance on implementation of the Strategic Plan.

7. Further in paragraph 10 of decision XI/24, the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary, in partnership with relevant organizations, to make available tools and technical guidance, inter alia, on defining area-based conservation measures. Accordingly, the IUCN-World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA) created a Task Force in 2015. After extensive consultations with more than 120 conservation experts globally and benefiting from several workshops, as well as consultations with Parties at side events held on the margins of meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, the Task Force developed draft guidelines. In accordance with paragraph 9(a(i)) of decision XIII/2, through notification [2017-112](#), dated 2 November 2017, Parties, other Governments, relevant organizations, Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities, United Nations/International organizations were invited to review the *Draft Guidelines for Recognizing and Reporting Other Effective Area-Based Conservation Measures* of the Task Force and provide feedback and comments. A total of 31 Parties and organizations submitted their comments and feedback. The Task Force has revised the draft guidelines taking into account the comments and feedback received. This revised guidelines document (CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/INF/1) is made available for the information of participants in the workshop to provide background information for deliberations, together with other relevant documents.

8. Pursuant to the requests in decision XIII/9, an Expert Workshop on Marine Protected Areas and Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures for Achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 in Marine and Coastal Areas is also convened in parallel with this workshop, with joint sessions to get effective outputs and optimum integration for achieving the objectives of both workshops. The details about this workshop are found at: <https://www.cbd.int/meetings/MCB-EM-2018-01>.

9. The results of the workshops will be reported to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its twenty-second meeting, under the agenda item on protected areas and other measures for enhanced conservation and management.
10. A full list of working documents to be presented for the Workshop is attached as annex I.
11. The Secretariat has issued an [information note](#) for participants containing details of logistical arrangements, including information on travel, visa requirements, accommodation and other matters for the workshop.
12. Registration of participants will commence at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, 6 February 2018.

ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE WORKSHOP

13. Representatives of the Government of Canada and the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity will open the two workshops at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, 6 February 2018.

ITEM 2. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

2.1. Election of co-chairs

14. Participants in the Workshop will be invited to elect the co-chairs.

2.2. Adoption of the agenda

15. Participants will be invited to consider the provisional agenda (CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/1) and adopt it with or without amendments, as necessary.

2.3. Organization of work

16. The language of the workshop will be English. Participants will be invited to consider the proposed provisional organization of work for the meeting, as contained in annex II. The workshop will be organized in plenary and breakout-group sessions. The Technical Expert Workshop on Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures on Achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 ([2017-099](#)), will be held in conjunction with the Expert Workshop on Marine Protected Areas and Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures for Achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 in Marine and Coastal Areas ([2017-098](#)) with joint sessions on relevant topics. The co-chairs will nominate facilitators and rapporteurs for the plenary and breakout sessions, based on the expertise and experiences of the workshop participants and in consultation with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

ITEM 3. WORKSHOP BACKGROUND, SCOPE AND EXPECTED OUTPUT

17. As a complement to the consideration of the organization of the work and to set the tone of the workshop, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity will provide the background, purpose, scope, and the expected outputs of the workshop.

ITEM 4. DETAILED INTRODUCTION OF THE THREE SUB-ITEMS OF PARAGRAPH 10(b) OF DECISION XIII/2

18. Agenda item 4 has three sub-items, which will collectively fulfil the purpose of the Workshop. Participants will be invited to exchange information and experiences and develop recommendations on (a) definition and identification of other effective area based conservation measures; (b) their role in achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 11; and (c) management approaches.

4.1. Definition and identification of Other Effective Area-Based Conservation Measures

19. Part B, Section 2 and Part C of the revised draft guidelines of the IUCN-WCPA Task Force (CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/INF/1) provide the background for discussions on this sub-item.

20. An expert will introduce the item in the plenary. OECMs differ from protected areas in one major respect, in that protected areas must have a primary conservation objective, whereas OECMs are those areas where there is effective conservation of biodiversity in the long term, regardless of the objectives of the area. However, to be identified as an OECM, an area must meet some criteria.

21. The participants will be invited to exchange views on definition and identification of OECMs in different realms, governance and management systems and wider geographical situations.

4.2. The role of other effective area-based conservation measures in achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 11

22. Part C and Appendix I of the revised draft guidelines of the IUCN-WCPA Task Force (CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/INF/1), and the information note on the contributions of other effective area-based conservation measures to achieve Aichi Biodiversity Target 11, other Aichi Targets, and relevant Targets of the Sustainable Development Goals (CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/INF/4) provide the background for discussions on this sub-item.

23. An expert will introduce the item in the plenary. Reaching the quantitative and qualitative elements of Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 involves enhancing “systems of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures”. There is also a need to ensure consideration of a diversity of approaches across landscapes and seascapes that involve governments, private actors, as well as indigenous peoples and local communities, individually or through shared governance and management arrangements. Many areas that contribute to the effective and sustained in-situ conservation of biodiversity are not currently recognized or reported by Parties as contributing to Aichi Biodiversity Target 11.

24. The participants will be invited to exchange views on the role of OECMs in achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 under different realms, governance systems and wider geographical situations.

4.3. Management approaches for other effective area-based conservation measures

25. Parts B and C Appendix I-III of the revised draft guidelines of the IUCN-WCPA Task Force (CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/INF/1) provide the background for discussions on this sub-item.

26. An expert will introduce the item in the plenary. Contributions for achieving elements of Aichi Biodiversity Target 11 are the “ends”. The management approaches that most effectively deliver those contributions are the “means” to achieve the ends. The different management approaches for OECMs include primary conservation approaches, secondary conservation approaches, and ancillary conservation approaches. The different management approaches have to be carefully applied for OECMs so as to complement the role of protected areas, and facilitate the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Target 11.

27. The participants will be invited to exchange views on various management approaches for OECMs in different realms, governance systems and wider geographical situations

Breakout Groups

28. After plenary presentations, discussions and exchange of views on the three sub-items, participants will be divided into three groups with different geographical settings and situations to discuss each of the three items in detail during the afternoon of the first day and all day during the day of the workshop.

ITEM 5. PROVISION OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ADVICE ON THE ABOVE SUB-ITEMS AND VOLUNTARY GUIDANCE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 10(a) OF DECISION XIII/2

29. The three groups will come back to Plenary on the third day to present outcomes from their group and align these outcomes to arrive upon a consolidated scientific and technical advice on the three sub-items. The participants will be invited to identify a brief voluntary guidance pursuant to paragraph 10(a) of decision XIII/2

ITEM 6. OTHER MATTERS

30. Under this item, participants will be invited to raise other matters related to the subject matter of the meeting.

ITEM 7. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

31. The participants will consider and adopt the workshop report on the basis of the draft report to be prepared and presented by the Chair.

ITEM 8. CLOSURE OF THE WORKSHOP

32. It is expected that the meeting will be closed at 5 p.m. on Friday, 9 February 2018.

Annex I

LIST OF DOCUMENTS FOR THE WORKSHOP

Working documents

CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/1

Titles

Provisional agenda

CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/Add.1

Annotations to the provisional agenda

Information documents

CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/INF/1

Guidelines for recognizing and reporting other effective area-based conservation measures

CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/INF/2

Submissions received in response to notification [2017-112](#) issued on 2 November 2017

CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/INF/3

Submissions in response to notification [2017-065](#): compilation of sections relevant to decision XIII/2, paragraph 9 (a) (I), of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention

CBD/PA/EM/2018/1/INF/4

Contributions of other effective area-based conservation measures to achieve Aichi Biodiversity Target 11, other Aichi Targets, and relevant Targets of the Sustainable Development Goals

Other documents

[UNEP/CBD/COP/13/INF/17](#)

Protected areas-facilitating achieving Aichi Target 11

[Decision VII/28](#)

Protected areas (articles 8 (a) to (e))

[Decision VIII/24](#)

Protected areas

[Decision IX/18](#)

Protected areas

[Decision X/31](#)

Protected areas

[Decision X/2](#)

The Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets

[Decision XI/24](#)

Protected areas

[Decision XIII/2](#)

Progress towards the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Targets 11 and 12

[Decision XIII/9](#)

Marine spatial planning and training initiatives

PROVISIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Tuesday, 6 February 2018		
	Technical Expert Workshop on OECM to Achieve Target 11	Expert Workshop on marine Target 11
9 - 10.45 a.m.	Joint opening, organizational matters and Workshop background/scope/expected outputs (agenda items 1, 2 & 3)	
10.45 – 11.15 a.m.	Joint coffee/tea break	
11.15 a.m.-12.30 p.m.	OECM-item 4 Plenary	Marine Target 11-item 4 Plenary
12.30 – 2 p.m.	Joint lunch break	
2 - 3.30 p.m.	OECM-item 4 Breakout Groups	Marine Target 11-item 4 Breakout Groups
3.30 – 4 p.m.	Joint coffee/tea break	
4 – 5 p.m.	OECM-item 4 Report of the results of the Breakout Group Session	Marine Target 11-item 4 Report of the results of the Breakout Group Session
Wednesday, 7 February 2018		
9 - 10.30 a.m.	Joint Plenary Summary of Day 1 workshop discussion Reporting on OECM discussion, followed by Q &A Reporting on marine Target 11 discussion, followed by Q & A Plenary Discussion	
10.30 – 11 a.m.	Joint coffee/tea break	
11 a.m. -12.30 p.m.	Joint Breakout group on OECM-item 4 / Marine OECM-item 5	MPA-item 5 Breakout group
12.30 – 2 p.m.	Joint lunch break	

2 - 3.30 p.m.	Joint Breakout group on OECM-item 4/Marine OECM-item 5 (<i>continued</i>)	MPA-item 5 Breakout group (<i>continued</i>)
3.30 – 4 p.m.	Joint coffee/tea break	
4 – 5.30 p.m.	OECM-item 4 Plenary	Marine Target 11-item 5 Plenary

	Thursday, 8 February 2018		
9 -10. 30 a.m.	Summary of Day 2 workshop discussion Reporting on OECM discussion, followed by Q &A Reporting on marine Target 11 discussion, followed by Q & A Plenary Discussion		
10.30 – 11 a.m.	Joint coffee/tea break		
11 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	OECM-item 5 Breakout group	Joint breakout group Marine OECM sub-group (OECM-item 5 as applied to marine, and marine Target 11- item 6 on OECM)	Marine Target 11-item 6 Breakout group on MPA
12.30 – 2 p.m.	Joint lunch break		
2 - 3.30 p.m.	OECM-item 5 Breakout group (<i>continued</i>)	Joint breakout group Marine OECM sub-group (OECM-item 5 as applied to marine, and marine Target 11-item 6 on OECM)	Marine Target 11-item 6 Breakout group on MPA (<i>continued</i>)
3.30 – 4 p.m.	Joint coffee/tea break		
4 -5.30 p.m.	OECM-items 5 and 6 Plenary	Marine Target 11-items 6 and 7 Plenary	

	Friday, 9 February 2018	
9 -10 a.m.	Distribution of draft reports	
10 – 10.30 a.m.	Joint coffee/tea break	
10.30 a.m. -12.30 p.m.	Joint Plenary Session – Adoption of the report (focusing on OECM matters) OECM-item 7 and Marine Target 11-item 8	
12.30 – 2 p.m.	Joint lunch break	
2 – 5 p.m.	OECM-item 7 Plenary (Adoption of the report) and item 8	Marine Target 11-item 8 (Adoption of the report) and item 9
