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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Election of officers;
 - (b) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (c) Organization of work.
3. Issues for in-depth consideration:
 - (a) Introduction and overview;
 - (b) Review of the new Management Centre, new registration pages and common formats for off-line registration;
 - (c) Review of the new 'Help' section;
 - (d) Progress in the online forums on risk assessment, capacity-building and Article 18;
 - (e) General progress in the multi-year programme of work;
 - (f) Pending requests from the decisions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;
 - (g) Training activities and collaboration with the UNEP-GEF Biosafety Clearing-House project;
 - (h) Future developments and challenges.
4. Other matters.
5. Conclusions and recommendations.
6. Closure of the meeting.
