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CLEARING-HOUSE MECHANISM AND
EUROPEAN COMMUNITY CLEARING-HOUSE
MECHANISM JOINT REGIONAL MEETING
FOR CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

Prague, 9 - 11 September 2003

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. Discussion on joint initiatives between the Convention on Biological Diversity Clearing-House Mechanism and the European Community Clearing-House Mechanism in support of technical and scientific cooperation across the programme and cross-cutting areas of the Convention.
 - (a) Joint initiatives pertaining to invasive alien species, particularly within the context of the Global Invasive Species Programme (GISP);
 - (b) Global taxonomy initiative and taxonomic authorities, including metadata and controlled vocabularies;
 - (c) Communication networks for indigenous and local communities;
 - (d) Implementation of subregional biodiversity networks;
 - (e) Use of new information technologies, including the EUNIS database and the clearing-house mechanism toolkit;

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- (f) Joint initiatives with recently established international thematic focal points in issues related to marine and coastal biodiversity and protected areas.
- 4. Regional needs to implement effectively recommendations related to the potential joint initiatives:
 - (a) Setting of priorities;
 - (b) Harmonization of initiatives and activities;
 - (c) Roles and responsibilities;
 - (d) Planned activities.
- 5. Conclusions and recommendations.
- 6. Adoption of the report.
- 7. Closure of the meeting.
