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## **CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

Eighth meeting  
Curitiba, 20-31 March 2006

### **PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

#### **I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the agenda.
4. Organization of work.
5. Report on the credentials of representatives to the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
6. Pending issues.
7. Date and venue of the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

#### **II. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS**

8. Reports of the regional preparatory meetings.
9. Reports of inter-sessional meetings.
10. Report on the status of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.
11. Report of the Global Environment Facility.
12. Report of the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Convention and the budget for the Trust Fund of the Convention.
13. Global Biodiversity Outlook.

#### **III. ISSUES FOR IN-DEPTH CONSIDERATION**

14. Island biodiversity.
15. Biological diversity of dry and sub-humid lands.
16. Global Taxonomy Initiative.
17. Access and benefit-sharing (Article 15).
18. Article 8(j) and related provisions.
19. Communication, education and public awareness (Article 13).

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#### **IV. STRATEGIC ISSUES FOR EVALUATING PROGRESS OR SUPPORTING IMPLEMENTATION**

20. Progress towards implementation of the Convention and its Strategic Plan including the 2010 target and the Convention's contribution to relevant Millennium Development Goals:
  - 20.1. Review of implementation;
  - 20.2. Implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans, cross-sectoral integration of biodiversity concerns, and options for the provision of increased technical support.
21. Implications of the findings of the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment.
22. Refining mechanisms to support implementation:
  - 22.1. Review of the effectiveness and impacts of the Convention bodies, processes and mechanisms;
  - 22.2. Scientific and technical cooperation and the clearing-house mechanism;
  - 22.3. Technology transfer and cooperation;
  - 22.4. Financial resources and mechanism.
23. Monitoring progress and reporting processes, including integration of targets into the thematic programmes of work, national reporting and the Global Biodiversity Outlook.
24. Cooperation with other conventions and international organizations and initiatives, and engagement of stakeholders in the implementation of the Convention.
25. Guidance to financial mechanism.

#### **V. OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES ARISING FROM DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES**

26. Thematic programmes of work:
  - 26.1. Forest biological diversity: implementation of the programme of work;
  - 26.2. Biological diversity of inland water ecosystems: criteria for site designation, and reporting processes;
  - 26.3. Marine and coastal biological diversity: deep-seabed genetic resources, and integrated marine and coastal area management;
  - 26.4. Agriculture biological diversity: International Soil Biodiversity Initiative, and cross-cutting initiative on biodiversity for food and nutrition.
27. Cross-cutting issues:
  - 27.1. Protected areas: consideration of the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Protected Areas;
  - 27.2. Incentive measures: development of proposals on the removal or mitigation of perverse incentives, on positive incentives and on valuation tools;
  - 27.3. Alien species that threaten ecosystems, habitats or species: gaps and inconsistencies in the international regulatory framework;
  - 27.4. Impact assessment: refinement of guidelines for biodiversity-inclusive impact assessment;
  - 27.5. Liability and redress: consideration of the recommendations of the Group of Legal and Technical Experts;
  - 27.6. Biodiversity and climate change: guidance to promote synergy among activities for biodiversity conservation, mitigating or adapting to climate change and combating land degradation.

**VI. ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY MATTERS**

28. Administration of the Convention and budget for the programme of work for the biennium 2007-2008.

**VII. FINAL MATTERS**

29. Other matters.
30. Adoption of the report.
31. Closure of the meeting.

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