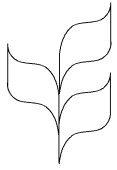




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Proposed Interim Arrangements for the Intergovernmental Committee
of the Protocol on Biosafety

The COP will need to Consider and reach a Decision on the following Items:

1. Election of a Chairperson
2. Set the Date for the first meeting of the ICPB
3. Adopt Draft Provisional Agenda for first meeting of the ICPB (attached)
4. Adopt a resolution on Administrative and Budgetary requirements. (The background document for this item is dependent upon the outcome of the final negotiations and Protocol developed by BSWG6.

DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA

First Meeting
Intergovernmental Committee on the Biosafety Protocol

1. Opening of the session.
2. Election of the Bureau.
3. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (b) Organization of work;
 - (c) Report by the secretariat on inter-sessional work requested by the Extraordinary COP.
4. Review of ongoing activities relating to pending issues .
5. Review of ongoing activities and preparation of the Biosafety Clearing House
6. Review of ongoing activities relating to promotion of ratification and implementation of the protocol.
7. Other matters.
8. Adoption of the report.
9. Closure of the session