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**The Eighth Conference of Parties  
to the Nairobi Convention for the Protection, Management and Development  
of the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Western Indian Ocean Region**

Mahe, Seychelles 22-24 June 2015

**Agenda for 8<sup>th</sup> Conference of Parties to the Nairobi Convention on 22-24 June 2015**

**Experts Meeting on 22 June 2015**

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Organizational matters
3. UNEP Executive Director's report
4. National Reports - Presentations
5. Observer's Reports
6. Reports from preparatory Workshops
7. Presentation and discussions of key decision areas and finalization of draft decisions for the Heads of Delegations Meeting
8. Any other business and closure of experts meeting

**Meeting of Heads of Delegation (23 and 24 June 2015)**

1. Opening of the Meeting:

Statements;

- a) IOC
- b) Statement from the Bureau Chair; Tanzania
- c) UNEP
- d) Representative of the host Government.

2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the Agenda.
4. Report by the Executive Director of UNEP.
5. Statement by Rapporteurs of Preparatory workshops: WIO-C on Partnerships, WIOMSA on Science to Policy and Seychelles on Blue Economy.
6. Work Program for Nairobi Convention.
  - i) Coordination structure – Tanzania,
  - ii) Climate Change Strategy- Secretariat
  - iii) Strategy for protection of Sharks and Rays in WIO - WCS
  - iv) Proposed projects (North Mozambique Channel; Proposed Transboundary Marine Protected Area ( Kenya & Tanzania; - Kenya
  - v) Proposed Oil and Gas project with Grid Arendal
  - vi) Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme for the protection of the Western Indian Ocean from land-based sources and activities (**WIO-SAP**) and the SIDS IWRM project - Secretariat
  - vii) Sustainable Fisheries Management and Biodiversity Conservation of Deep-sea Living Marine Resources and Ecosystems in the ABNJ” ( FAO and WCMC)
  - viii) The Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management and Ratification of the Amended Nairobi Convention- Secretariat
7. Financial report
  - a) Presentation by UNEP on Reserve Fund. - Secretariat
8. Adoption of decisions.
9. Venue of the next meeting.
10. Other matters.
11. Closure of the meeting <sup>1</sup>

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1. <sup>1</sup> Launches

- a) Regional State of the Coast Report;
- b) Status of Birds in the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Nairobi Convention Area: Regional Synthesis Report ;
- c) Climate Change Strategy for the Nairobi Convention Area;
- d) Regional Seas at 40 Report