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Meeting of the GEF Coordination Committee

Athens, Greece, 9 - 10 March 2001

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

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Agenda item 1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting of the Coordination Committee of the GEF Project will be held at the Holiday Inn in Athens and will start at 9.30 hours of the 9 March 2001. The Meeting will be opened by the MAP Coordinator. The Meeting is organised in accordance with the provisions of the GEF Project

Agenda item 2. Election of Officers

In accordance with the rules of procedure, the Meeting will elect a Chairperson, and Vice-Chairperson and a Rapporteur.

Agenda 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Organisation of Work

The Provisional Agenda proposed by the Secretariat is distributed as document UNEP(DEC)MED WG.181/1 and the Annotated Agenda as document UNEP(DEC)MED WG. 181/2. A provisional time table are contained in the present document for examination and approval. Simultaneous translation in English and French will be provided during the Meeting.

Agenda item 4. Briefing and discussion on the GEF Project - progress in project planning and implementation

a. The Secretariat will introduce document UNEP(DEC)MED WG 181/3. The National Coordinators will be briefed on the background and on the operational aspects of the implementation of the project. The Secretariat and the various implementing agencies will brief the National Coordinators on the progress so far achieved towards implementing the project and on the preparations made in the context of the work-plans and timetables.

b. Institutional aspects of the project

The Secretariat will brief the National Coordinators on the organisation and coordination structures of the project. This includes discussion on the participation in future Coordinating Committee meetings.

c. Participation in the project

This agenda item is intended to cover aspects of the involvement in the project of countries that are Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention but are not eligible for GEF funding. These are foreseen to be encouraged to participate in regional activities and to address regionally identified priorities through appropriate national action. Participation in regional activities of representatives and experts from these countries is also foreseen to be supported in part by the trust funds available to the Mediterranean Action Plan. This includes activities towards formulating the SAP BIO.

Agenda item 5. Needs and actions at the national level

This agenda item is intended to cover aspects of the project implementation at the national level. It will cover the role foreseen for the National Coordinators and the actions needed towards the effective implementation of the GEF project. It will also cover assistance and funding modalities of the project in relation, in particular, to the preparation of National Action Plans. It includes organisation and coordination structures at the national level - such as the establishment in each country of Inter-Ministerial Committees, public participation in the preparation of National Action Plans.

Agenda item 6. Other business

The meeting will examine and discuss any other business raised by the participants or the Secretariat

Agenda item 7. Closure of the meeting

The Meeting will be closed by the elected Chairperson at 13.00 of the 10 March 2001.

GEF Mediterranean Project Coordination Committee Meeting - Timetable	
Friday 9 March	
09.00	Registration
09.30	Opening of the meeting
10.00	Agenda items 1 - 3
11.00 – 11.20	Coffee break
11.20	Agenda item 4
12.30 – 14.30	lunch break
14.30	Agenda item 4 - cont
16.00 – 16.20	Coffee break
16.20 - 17.30	Agenda item 4
Saturday 10 March	
09.30	Agenda item 5
11.00 -11.20	Coffee break
11.20 -13.00	Agenda items 6 -7