MEDITERRANEAN ACTION PLAN

Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the Protocol for the Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Mediterranean

Madrid (Spain), 20 - 21 January 2008

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Introduction

At their 14\textsuperscript{th} Meeting (Portoroz, 8-11 November 2005), the Contracting Parties accepted the offer of Spain and decided to convene the Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the draft Protocol for the Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Mediterranean, in Madrid, Spain, immediately after the 15\textsuperscript{th} Meeting of the Contracting Parties of January 2008. (UNEP(DEPI)/MED IG.16/13).

The 15\textsuperscript{th} Meeting of the Contracting Parties held from 15 to 18 January 2008 in Almeria, Spain, decided to recommend to the Conference of the Plenipotentiaries on the draft Protocol for the Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Mediterranean, to be held in Madrid, Spain on 20 and 21 January 2008 the adoption of the ICZM Protocol. (Document UNEP(DEPI)/MED IG.18/Inf.3).

Item 1: Opening of the Conference

The Conference will be opened at 10.00 hours on 20 January at the Atocha Rafael Hotel, Mendez Alvaro, 30, Madrid by the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) or by his representative. The Conference will hear a statement of the Executive Director, or his representative and a welcoming statement by the representative of the host country.

Item 2: Rules of procedure

The rules of Procedure for meetings and conferences of the Contracting Parties shall apply \textit{mutadis mutandis} to this Conference (document UNEP/IG.43/6, Annex XI).

Item 3: Election of officers

In accordance with Rule 20 of the rules of Procedure, the Conference will elect its own President, four Vice-Presidents and a Rapporteur. They will constitute the Bureau of the Conference (Rule 23).

Item 4: Adoption of the Agenda and organization of work

A provisional agenda prepared by the Secretariat has been circulated with the letter of invitation (UNEP(DEPI)/MED IG.18/1).

Item 5: Examination of the draft Protocol for the Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Mediterranean

The meeting will have before it the following documents:

- Report of the 15\textsuperscript{th} Meeting of the Contracting Parties, Almeria, 15-18 January 2008 (document UNEP(DEPI)/MED IG.18/Inf.3)
Item 6: Report of the Credentials Committee

Each Contracting Party shall be represented at the Conference by an accredited representative, who may be accompanied by such alternates and advisers as may be required (Rule 18). The credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers shall be submitted by the Contracting Parties to the Executive Director before the opening session. The Bureau of the Conference shall examine the credentials and submit its report to the Conference (Rule 19).

Item 7: Adoption of the Final Act of the Conference

A draft Final Act shall be submitted to the conference for adoption. The draft will contain a report on the debate, the decisions taken, as well as the final text of the Protocol. The Conference will proceed to a separate vote on each of the articles of the protocol, before adopting the protocol in its entirety.

Item 8: Signature of the Final Act of the Conference

The Final Act shall be signed by the Representative of the Contracting Parties attending the Conference. The detailed arrangements for the signature of the Final Act will be defined in agreement with the Bureau of the Conference.

Item 9: Signature of the Protocol for the Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Mediterranean

The Protocol for the Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Mediterranean will be open for signature by the representatives of the Contracting Parties. The detailed arrangements for the signature of the Protocol will be defined in agreement with the Bureau. It will remain open for signature from 21 January 2008 to 20 January 2009 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Spain, in Madrid.

Item 10: Closure of the meeting

The Conference will be closed on Monday, 21 January 2008 at 19.00 hours.
## ANNEX

### Suggested Time Schedule

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