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Athens (Greece), 15 - 18 September 2003

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of Meetings and Conferences
of the Contracting Parties to the
Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea
against Pollution and its related Protocols

1975 - 2003

Intergovernmental Meeting on the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea

Barcelona, 28 January - 4 February 1975

Chairman: His Excellency Mr. Fernando de Ybarra Lopez Dóriga Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Development Planning (Spain)

First Vice-Chairman: Mr. S. E. El-Wakeel Director, Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries (Egypt)

Second Vice-Chairman: Mr. A. Sciolla Lagrange Judge, seconded to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Italy)

Rapporteur: Mr. E. Saliba Chargé d’Affaires at the Maltese Embassy in Tripoli (Malta)
Conference of Plenipotentiaries of the Coastal States of the Mediterranean Region on the protection of the Mediterranean Sea

Barcelona, 2 - 16 February 1976 Final Act: Adoption of the Convention and its related protocols

President: H.E. Fernando de Ybarra Lopez Dóriga (Spain)
Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Development Planning

Vice Presidents: Mr. Joseph Najjar (Lebanon)
Chairman of the National Scientific Research Council

Mr. Tomé Kuzmanovski (Yugoslavia)
Deputy President of the Federal Committee of Agriculture
President of the Commission for the Protection of the sea and inland waterways against pollution
Intergovernmental Meeting of Mediterranean Coastal States on the Blue Plan

**Split, Yugoslavia, 31 January - 4 February 1977**  
(UNEP/IG.5/7)

**President:** Mr. Petar Strohal  
Director of the Centre for Marine Research  
(Yugoslavia)

**Vice Chairman:** Mr. Mohamed Ali Elwaer  
Head of projects section  
Ministry of Petroleum  
(Libya)

**Vice-Chairman:** Mr. D. Francisco Monforte  
Subdirector General de Organismo para el Desarrollo del Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores  
(Spain)

**Rapporteur:** Mr. Claude Truchot  
Ingénieur au Ministère de la Qualité de la Vie  
(France)
Intergovernmental Review Meeting of Mediterranean Coastal States on the Mediterranean Action Plan

Monaco, 9 - 14 January 1978  (UNEP/IG.11/4)

President: H.E. Mr. César Solamito  (Monaco)
Plenipotentiary Minister

Vice-Presidents: Mr. Hassan Boussoffara  (Tunisia)
Adviser, Ministry of Industry,
Mines and Energy

Mr. Marinos Yeroulanos  (Greece)
Director-General
Environment Secretariat,
Ministry of Co-ordination

Rapporteur: Mr. Shafik El-Shinnawi  (Egypt)
Juridical Department
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Intergovernmental Review Meeting of Mediterranean Coastal States and First Ordinary Meeting of Contracting Parties

Geneva, 5 - 10 February 1979 (UNEP/IG.14/9)

President: H.E. Mr. Ridha Bach Baouab (Tunisia)
Director of International Organizations and Conferences, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Vice-Presidents: Mr. Daniel de Linos (Spain)
Director General of Environment, Ministry of Public Works and Town Planning

Mr. Marinos Yeroulanos (Greece)
Director General, Environment Secretariat, Ministry of Co-ordination

Rapporteur: Mr. Louis Saliba (Malta)
Secretary, Malta Human Environment Council, Ministry of Health and Environment
Intergovernmental Review Meeting of Mediterranean Coastal States on the Mediterranean Action Plan

Barcelona, 11 - 13 February 1980

President: H.E. Mr. Ridha Bach Baouab
Director of International Organizations and Conferences, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

(Tunisia)

Vice-Presidents:

Mr. Daniel de Linos
Director General of Environment, Ministry of Public Works and Town Planning

(Spain)

Mr. Marinos Yeroulanos
Director General, Environment Secretariat, Ministry of Co-ordination

(Greece)

Rapporteur: Mr. Louis Saliba
Secretary, Malta Human Environment Council, Ministry of Health and Environment

(Malta)
Conference of Plenipotentiaries of the Coastal States of the Mediterranean Region for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution from land-based Sources

Athens, 12-17 May 1980                   (Final Act and Protocol)

President: H.E. Mr. Ridha Bach Baouab (Tunisia)
Director of International Organizations and Conferences, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Vice-President: Mr. Marinos Yeroulanos (Greece)
Director General, Environment Secretariat, Ministry of Co-ordination

Rapporteur: Mr. Louis Saliba (Malta)
Secretary, Malta Human Environment Council, Ministry of Health and Environment
Intergovernmental Meeting on Mediterranean Specially Protected Areas

Athens, 13-17 October 1980

President: H.E. Mr. Ridha Bach Baouab
Director of International Organizations and Conferences, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Vice-Presidents: Mr. Marinos Yeroulanos
Director General, Environment Secretariat, Ministry of Co-ordination

Rapporteur: Mr. Louis Saliba
Secretary, Malta Human Environment Council, Ministry of Health and Environment
Second Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols and Intergovernmental Review meeting of Mediterranean Coastal States on the Action Plan

Cannes, 2 - 7 March 1981  

(UNEP/IG.23/11)

President:  
H.E. Mr. François Delmas  
Secretary of State  
Ministry of the Environment and Quality of Life  
(France)

Vice-Presidents:  
H.E. Mr. Giovanni Falchi  
Ambassador  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
(Italy)

Mr. M'hand Ladjouzi  
Secretary for Foreign Affairs  
(Algeria)

Rapporteur:  
Mr. Joseph Najjar  
Chairman of the National Scientific Research Council  
(Lebanon)

1/ Upon Mr. Delmas' resignation, Mr. Falchi became President based on the Meeting's decision (document UNEP/IG.23/11, paragraph 72).
Extraordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols

Geneva, 29 March - 1 April 1982

President: H.E. Mr. Giovanni Falchi (Italy)
Ambassador
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Vice-President: Mr. M'hand Ladjouzi (Algeria)
Secretary for Foreign Affairs

Rapporteur: Mr. Joseph Najjar (Lebanon)
Chairman of the National Scientific Research Council
Conference of Plenipotentiaries of the protocol concerning Mediterranean Specially Protected Areas

Geneva, 2 - 3 April 1982  Final Act: Adoption of the Protocol on Specially Protected Areas

President:  H.E. Mr. Giovanni Falchi (Italy)
Ambassador
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Vice-President:  Mr. M’hand Ladjouzi (Algeria)
Secretary for Foreign Affairs

Rapporteur:  Mr. Joseph Najjar (Lebanon)
Chairman of the National Scientific Research Council
Third Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols

Dubrovnik, 28 February - 4 March 1983

President: H.E. Mr. Zivorad Kovacevic (Yugoslavia)
Membre du Conseil Fédéral éxécutif et Président du Comité de Coordination pour l'Environnement, l'Aménagement du Territoire, l'Habitat et les Utilités pubiques

Vice-Presidents:
- H.E. Mr. Mamdouh Abdel Razek (Egypt)
  Ambassador
  Embassy of Egypt to Yugoslavia
- Mr. Joaquin Ros (Spain)
  Jefe Departamento Contaminación del Mar
  Instituto Espanol de Oceanografíá

Rapporteur: Mme Hédia Baccar (Tunisia)
Sous-Directeur chargée de l'Environnement au Ministère de l'Agriculture
Extraordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols

Athens, 10 - 13 April 1984

President: H.E. Mr. Zivorad Kovacevic
Membre du Conseil Fédéral éxecutif
et Président du Comité de
Coordination pour l'Environnement
l'Aménagement du Territoire,
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Rapporteur: Mme Hédia Baccar
Sous-Directeur chargée
de l'Environnement au Ministère
de l'Agriculture

(Tunisia)
Fourth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols

Genoa, 9-13 September 1985

President: H.E. Mr. Javier L. Sáenz Cosculluela
Ministro de Obras públicas y Urbanismo
Ministerio de Obras públicas y Urbanismo (Spain)

Vice-Presidents: H.E. Mr. Abderrahmane Boufettas
Ministre de l'Habitat
Ministère de l'Habitat et de l'Aménagement du Territoire (Morocco)

H.E. Mr. Abdul-Hamid Munajid
Minister of State for Environment (Syria)

Rapporteur: Mme Nuran Talu
Expert, General Directorate for Environment
Prime Minister’s Office (Turkey)
Fifth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols

Athens, 7-11 September 1987 (UNEP/IG.74/5) and Corr. 1

President: H.E. Mr. Evangelos Kouloumbis (Greece)
Minister for the Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works

Vice-Presidents:
Mr. Yves Rodrigue (France)
Minister Plenipotentiary
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Mr. Mustafa Asula1/ (Turkey)
Ambassador,
Deputy Under-Secretary for Economic Affairs

Rapporteur:
Mr. Abdalla Abumahara2/ (Libya)
Secretary of the People's Committee
The People's Bureau of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

1/ During the Meeting the Delegation of Turkey announced that Mr. T. Balkas would replace Mr. M. Asula as member of the Bureau.

2/ Libya informed the Co-ordinating Unit on 5 November 1987 that Dr. Yusef Elmehrik, Director General, Technical Centre for Environment Protection would replace Mr. A. Abumahara as member of the Bureau.
Sixth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols

Athens, 3-6 October 1989

President: H.E. Dr. Atef M. Ebeid (Egypt)
Minister of Cabinet Affairs
Minister of State for Administrative Development and Minister in charge of the Environment

Vice-Presidents: H.E. Mr. Ivo Butini (Italy)
Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Mr. Vladimiro Mandl (EEC)
Chef de Division
Direction Générale de l'Environnement, de la Protection des consommateurs et de la Sécurité nucléaire
Commission des Communautés Européennes

Rapporteur: Mr. Andreas Demetropoulos (Cyprus)
Director, Department of Fisheries
Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Seventh Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols

Cairo, 8-11 October 1991

President: H.E. Dr. Atef M. Ebeid (Egypt)
Minister of Cabinet Affairs
Minister of State for Administrative Development and Minister in charge of the Environment

Vice-Presidents: M. Etienne Franzi (Monaco)
Délégué Permanent Adjoint auprès des Organismes internationaux
Délégation permanente auprès des Organismes internationaux

Mr. Mohamed Adel Hentati 1/ (Tunisia)
Agence Nationale de Protection de l'environnement (ANPE)
Premier Ministère

Rapporteur: Dr. Uri Marinov 2/ (Israel)
Director General
Ministry of Environment

1/ Mr. Mohammed Ennabli, President-Director General, Agence Nationale pour la protection de l'environnement (ANPE) represented Tunisia at the two last meetings of the Bureau held in November 1992 and March 1993)

2/ Dr. Israel Peleg, Director General, Ministry of the Environment replaced Dr. Marinov as the Rapporteur of the Bureau as of November 1992
Eighth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols

Antalya, 12-15 October 1993

President: H.E. Mr. Riza Akçali
Minister of Environment
Ministry of Environment

Vice-President: S.E. M. Chaouki Serghini
Sous-Secrétaire d'Etat auprès du
Ministre de l'Intérieur chargé de
la Protection de l'Environnement
Ministre de l'Intérieur

Vice-President: M. Joaquin Ros Vincent
Sous-Directeur Général
Normativa y Relaciones institucionales
Direccióis general de Politica Ambiental

Vice-President: M. Serge Antoine
Conseiller pour les questions méditerranéennes auprès du Ministre de l'environnement
Ministère de l'environnement

Vice-President: M. Abderrahnem Gannoun
Président Directeur Général
Agence Nationale de Protection de l'environnement (ANPE)

Rapporteur: Mr. Hratch Kouyoumjian
Director
Centre for Marine Research (CNRS)

1/ The Meeting unanimously adopted an amendment to rule 23 of the Rules of procedure by which the number of the members of the Bureau has been increased from four to six

2/ Mr. Touhami Hamrouni, President-Director General, Agence Nationale de Protection de l'environnement (ANPE) replaced Mr. Gannoun as a member of the Bureau as of 24 December 1993
Ninth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its protocols

**Barcelona, 5-8 June 1995**

**President:** S.E. M. Nourdine Benomar Alami\(^1\) (Morocco)
Ministre de l'environnement
Ministère de l'environnement

**Vice-President:** H.E. Ms. Elisavet Papazoi\(^2\) (Greece)
Deputy Minister
Ministry of the Environment,
Physical Planning and Public Works

**Vice-President:** Mr. Salah Hafez\(^3\) (Egypt)
Chief Executive Officer
Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency
(EEAA)
Cabinet of Ministers

**Vice-President:** Mr. Israel Peleg\(^4\) (Israel)
Director General
Ministry of the Environment

**Vice-President:** M. Ali Goudjil\(^5\) (Algeria)
Directeur Général de l'Environnement
Ministère de l'Intérieur, des collectives locales, de l'environnement et de la réforme administrative

**Rapporteur:** M. Joaquin Ros\(^6\) (Spain)
Asesor Ejecutivo
Ministerio de Obras Publicas, Transportes y Medio Ambiente

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1/ H.E. M. Houcine Tijani, Minister of State in charge of the Environment, replaced H.E. Mr. Nourdine Benomar Alami as President of the Bureau as of August 1997
2/ H.E. Mr. Theodore Koliopanos, Deputy Minister of Environment, replaced H.E. Ms. Elisavet Papazoi, as Vice-President of the Bureau as of September 1996
3/ Mr. Ibrahim Abdel Gellil, Chief Executive Officer of EEAA, replaced Mr. S. Hafez as Vice-President of the Bureau as of October 1997
4/ Ms. Nahama Ronen, Director General, Ministry of the Environment, replaced Mr. Israel Peleg as Vice-President of the Bureau as of January 1996
5/ Mr. Slimane Zaouche, Director of the Environment, Ministry of the Interior, replaced Mr. Ali Goudjil as Vice-President of the Bureau as of October 1995
Mr. Mohamed Si. Youcef, Director General of Environment, Ministry of Interior, replaced Mr. S. Zaouche as of September 1997
6/ Ms. Amparo Rambla Gil, Subdirectora General Adjunta, Ministry of Environment, replaced Mr. Joaquin Ros as Rapporteur of the Bureau as of May 1997
Tenth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its protocols

Tunis, 18-21 November 1997

President: S.E. M. Mohamed Mlika
Ministre de l'environnement et de l'Aménagement du Territoire
Ministère de l'environnement et de l'Aménagement du Territoire

(Tunisia)

Vice-President: Ms Gordana Valcic
Deputy Director
State Directorate for Environment,

(Croatia)

Vice-President: H.E. Mr. Theodoros Koliopanos
Deputy Minister for the Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works
Ministry of the Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works

(Greece)

Vice-President: H.E. Mr. Ashure Mohamed Emgeg
Deputy Secretary of Housing and Utilities
Mayor of Tripoli

(Libyan Arab
Jamahiriya)

Vice-President: H.E. Ms Imren Aykut
Minister of the Environment
Ministry of the Environment

(Turkey)

Rapporteur: S.E. M. Bernard Fautrier
Ministre Pléniépotentiaire
Chargé du suivi questions d'environnement
Direction des relations extérieures

(Monaco)

1/ H.E. Ms Faiza Kefi, Minister of Environment of Tunisia, replaced H.E. Mr. Mohamed Mehdi Mlika as President of the Bureau as of April 1999

2/ H.E. Mr. Fevzi Aytekin, Minister of Environment of Tunisia, replaced H.E. Ms Imren Aykut as Vice-President of the Bureau as of January 1999
Eleventh Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its protocols

Malta, 27-30 October 1999

President: H.E. Mr. Francis Zammit Dimech (Malta)
Minister for the Environment

Vice-President: Mr. Gabriel P. Gabrielides (Cyprus)
Director
Department of Fisheries and Marine Research
Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment

Vice-President: M. Pierre Roussel (France)
Secrétaire général de l'Inspection
 général de l'Environnement
Ministère de l'aménagement du territoire et de l'environnement

Vice-President: H.E. Mr. Valerio Calzolaio (Italy)
Undersecretary of State
Ministry of Environment

Vice-President: H.E. Mr. Abdul Hamid Al-Mounajed (Syrian Arab Republic)
Minister of State for Environmental Affairs
Ministry of State for Environment Affairs

Rapporteur: H.E. Mr. Ashur Mohamed Emgeg (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya)
Secretary of the People’s Committee for Shabiat of Tripoli (Governor of Tripoli)

1/ H.E. Mr. Farouk Adli replaced H.E. Mr. Abdul Hamid Al-Mounajed as Vice-President of the Bureau as of March 2000

2/ Mr. Ehtuish F. Ehtuish Secretary of the Peoples Committee of the Environment General Authority replaced H.E. Mr. Ashur Mohamed Emgeg as Rapporteur of the Bureau as of August 2000
Twelfth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its protocols

Monaco, 14-17 November 2001

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1 H.E Mr Adnan Khozam replaced H.E. Farouk Adli as Vice-President of the Bureau as of December 2001
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