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Conference of the Parties to the Bamako Convention on the ban on the Import into Africa and the Control of Transboundary Movement and Management of Hazardous Wastes within Africa

“The Bamako Convention: A platform for a Pollution Free Africa”

Second meeting of the Conference of Parties to the Bamako Convention Abidjan (Cote d’Ivoire), 30 January-1 February 2018

SCENARIO NOTE FOR THE EXPERTS SEGMENT OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF PARTIES TO THE BAMAKO CONVENTION

Note by the Secretariat

I. Introduction

1. The present scenario note proposes arrangements for the conduct of, and thereby aims to assist participants in preparing for, the Second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Bamako Convention on the ban on the Import into Africa and the Control of Transboundary Movement and Management of Hazardous Wastes within Africa.
2. The present scenario note was prepared in consultation with the president of the conference of the Parties to the convention and is intended to be read together with the tentative schedule for the meetings (United Nations UNEP/BC/COP.2/1) agreed to by the bureau of the conference of the Parties during preparation meeting and especially, the bureau meeting held in Abidjan on **29 January 2018**. If the conference of the Parties agrees to conduct the meeting as proposed herein, and in the tentative schedule, the meeting will take place as described in the following paragraphs.

II. Opening of the meeting

3. The President will open the Experts Segment of the second meeting of the Conference of Parties on the Bamako Convention on Wednesday, 31 January 2018.
4. The Experts Segment of the Conference of Parties will then adopt the agenda (2).

III. Organization of work

5. The two-days experts segment from January 31 to February 1, 2018 come after the High Level Segment which was held on 30 January 2018.
6. For the expert segment on day 1, the plenary session will be 4 hours in the morning, from 0900a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 hours in the afternoon from 02:30p.m. to 04:30p.m. Shall the meeting agree, Contact Groups are expected to start at 04:30p.m. to 06:00p.m.
7. On day 2, shall the meeting agrees, the meeting will start with 4 hours Contact Groups from 09:00.a.m. to 01:00p.m., and in the afternoon, 3 hours and half session, composed of 2 hours Contact Groups from 02:30p.m. to 04:30p.m. and 1hour and half plenary from 04:30p.m. to 06:00p.m.

8. Each morning from 7:30 a.m. to 8a.m., the bureau will meet to, among other things, agree on the order of business for the day. The Secretariat will post the order of business on the intranet site for the meetings. Focal points whose countries are members of the bureau are encouraged to facilitate the dissemination of information on the order of business for each day as they will receive prior information for the bureau member attending the bureau meeting. The link for all meeting documents remain the following:

<https://www.unenvironment.org/events/conference/bamako-convention-platform-pollution-free-africa>.

9. The meetings will be paperless and pre-session documents will be available on the website for the meetings.¹ In addition all documents, including in-session documents, will be available on the same site. Participants are expected to bring their own laptop computers or other devices to access the documents. Technical support will be available on site.

IV. Matters related to the implementation of the Convention

10. The President will introduce agenda item (4) of the provisional agenda, and invite the Secretariat to introduce items (4.1.1), (4.1.2) and (4.1.3), the meeting will thereafter discuss the strategic issues in regards to the Second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Bamako Convention.
11. Delegations are invited to exchange views on the basis of the respective notes prepared by the Secretariat.
12. The conferences of the Parties will then consider the issues related to financial situation. The Secretariat will first introduce all matters under these agenda items.
13. The Secretariat will be invited to introduce items (4.2.1) of the provisional agenda. The president will open the floor for discussion. The meeting may wish to take note of of the information provided in the notes and consider the actions proposed.
14. The President segment will continue with the introduction of the agenda item (4.2.2) and the President will invite Parties to share their experience and report on activities aiming at implementing the Convention.
15. The president will conclude this discussion and introduce the next agenda Item.
16. Following an introduction by the Secretariat on agenda item (4.3.1) the meeting may wish to take note of the information provided in the notes and consider proposed actions in regards to capacity building.
17. Under agenda item (4.3.2) the Secretariat will provide an introduction thereafter followed by discussion on the note by the Secretariat (UNEP/BC/COP.2/) and actions proposed.
18. The Expert Group meeting may wish to review draft decision presenting a draft decision on the Scale of assessment and Parties Assessed contributions for year 2018 and 2019 prepared by the Secretariat under agenda item (4.4.1). Taking note of decision 1/8 adopted at the First Conference of Parties and Resolution 1/16 adopted at the first session of the UN Environment Assembly approved establishment of a General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget of the Bamako Convention, and a Special Trust for Voluntary Contributions in Support of the Bamako Convention.
19. Upon conclusion of discussion of (4.4.1) the President will introduce the agenda item (4.4.2) under which the Conference of Parties may wish to discuss other sources of funding.

V. Report of the Credentials Committee

20. In accordance with Rule 18 of the rules of procedure provides that the credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers must be submitted to the President before the session. The Bureau of the Conference of the Parties shall examine the credentials and submit its report to the Conference. This rule shall not, however, prevent a Party from changing its representative,

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alternate representatives, or advisers subsequently, subject to proper submission and examination of credentials, where needed.

21. Representatives of Parties may participate in the meeting provisionally pending a decision by the Conference of the Parties on their credentials.
22. The Bureau, with the assistance of the Secretariat, will examine the credentials of the representatives of the Parties at the meeting and report thereon to the Conference of the Parties for its consideration.

VI. Report of the Committee/Contact Groups' Chairs

23. Pursuant to the Rules of Procedures 53 and 54, the Conference of the Parties may establish such committees, working groups and subsidiary organs as may be necessary for the effective discharge of its functions.

VII. Date and venue of the Third Meeting of the Conference of Parties

24. At the closing plenary, the Assembly will consider the date and venue of the Third Meeting of the Conference of Parties.

VIII. Any Other Business

25. The Conferences of the Parties will consider and adopt the draft report and the outcome of the second meeting of the Conference of Parties to the Bamako Convention.

IX. Adoption of the Report and the outcome of the meeting

26. Consistent with standard United Nations practice, the meeting may wish to agree that the section of the report pertaining to the plenary meetings that take place on the last day of the meeting will be prepared by the rapporteur, with the support of the secretariat, and incorporated into the report of the meeting under the authority of the Representative of the President of the Bureau. The final report of the meeting will be circulated after the closure of the meeting.
27. The President will close the meeting at the plenary during a special session as decisions discussed during the expert segment will be gavel.
28. The President is expected to close the Second Meeting of the Conference of Parties to the Bamako Convention at 6:00pm.
