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Agenda Item 6: Calendar of Meetings and Events, including Date and Venue of the 89th Meeting of the Bureau

Tentative Calendar of UNEP/MAP Meetings and Major International Events

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**Tentative Calendar of UNEP/MAP Meetings and
Major International Events in 2019**

(As of 5 April 2019)

SECTION I

Legenda:

	<i>Main MAP-Barcelona Convention governance meetings</i>
	<i>Main MAP Components' technical meetings/events</i>

ORGANIZERS	MEETING	DATE	VENUE
2019			
MED POL	Meeting of the Ecosystem Approach (EcAp) Correspondence Group on Monitoring (CORMON) Pollution	2-3 April	Podgorica, Montenegro
SCP/RAC	SwitchMed II Steering Committee Meeting	3-4 April	Vienna, Austria
SCP/RAC	International Workshop on Environmental Sound Management of Plastic Waste	3-5 April	Barcelona, Spain
MED POL	Meetings of the Ecosystem Approach (EcAp) Correspondence Group on Monitoring (CORMON) Marine Litter	4-5 April	Podgorica, Montenegro
PAP/RAC	Regional training on MSP and Initial Meeting with National Representatives on a Common Approach to MSP for the Adriatic Sub-Region (back-to-back)	9-10 April	Zagreb, Croatia
MEDPOL, SCP/RAC, SPA/RAC, REMPEC	2 nd Regional Meeting on Marine Litter Best Practices	8-10 April	Sevilla, Spain
INFO/RAC	INFO/RAC Focal Points Meeting	16-17 April	Rome, Italy
Plan Bleu/RAC	International Conference “ <i>Strengthening the Science-Practice-Policy interface in Blue Growth</i> ”	16-17 April	Marseille, France
REMPEC	Sub-regional Training on the Use of the Mediterranean Readiness Evaluation Tool for Oil Spills (MedRETOS)	24-26 April	Valletta, Malta
G7, CU, MED POL	Workshop on the G7 Action Plan to Combat Marine Litter in synergy with the Regional Seas Conventions	5-6 May	Metz, France

Plan Bleu/RAC	1 st Expert Meeting on Sustainable Cruise and Recreational Boating	6 or 7 May	Teleconference
SCP/RAC	3 rd Steering Committee of Plastic Busters MPAs Project	7-9 May	Milazzo, Sicily
PAP/RAC	PAP/RAC Focal Points Meeting	8-9 May	Split, Croatia
SCP/RAC	SCP/RAC Focal Points Meeting	14-15 May	Barcelona, Spain
PAP/RAC, SPA/RAC and Secretariat	Second Steering Committee Meeting of the GEF Project <i>“Implementation of Ecosystem Approach in the Adriatic Sea through Marine Spatial Planning”</i>	15 May	Podgorica, Montenegro
SPA/RAC	Meeting of the EcAp Correspondence Group on Monitoring (CORMON), Biodiversity and Fisheries	21 May	Rome, Italy
PAP/RAC	CORMON Meeting on Coast and Hydrography	21-22 May	Rome, Italy
Secretariat	88 th Meeting of the Bureau	21-22 May	Rome, Italy
Secretariat, MED POL	2 nd Regional Expert Meeting on Pollution Reduction Regional Plans	28 May	Istanbul, Turkey
Plan Bleu/RAC	Workshop on SoED 2019 Preparation (with Plan Bleu Focal Points)	27 May	Marseille, France
Plan Bleu/RAC	Plan Bleu/RAC Focal Point Meeting	28-29 May	Marseille, France
REMPEC	4 th Adriatic Spill Conference 2019 (ADRIASPILLCONF 2019)	28-30 May	Opatija, Croatia
MED POL	MED POL Focal Points Meeting	29-31 May	Istanbul, Turkey
Plan Bleu/RAC, Interreg MED	Final Conference of the MED Sustainable Tourism Community	4-6 June	Barcelona, Spain
Secretariat	18 th Meeting of the MCSD	11-13 June	Budva, Montenegro
REMPEC	13 th Meeting of the Focal Points of REMPEC	11-13 June	Floriana, Malta
Plan Bleu/RAC	Webinar/Workshop on Blue Economy Case Studies and Recommendations	13 June	Budva, Montenegro (tbc)
SPA/RAC	6 th Meeting of National Correspondents of the Strategic Action Programme for the conservation of Biological Diversity in the Mediterranean region (SAP BIO)	18 June	Portorož, Slovenia
SPA/RAC	14 th Meeting of SPA/Biological Diversity Thematic Focal Points	18-21 June	Portorož, Slovenia

REMPEC	National oil spill response training course (IMO OPRC Model Course Level 2)	19-21 June	Montenegro
Secretariat	15 th Meeting of the Compliance Committee	25-26 June	Athens, Greece
Secretariat, REMPEC	Offshore Oil and Gas Group (OFOG) meeting	27-28 June	Athens, Greece (tbc)
Plan Bleu/RAC	2 nd Expert meeting on Sustainable Cruise and Recreational Boating	17, 18 or 19 June	Genova, Italy
Secretariat, MED POL	Meeting on Enforcement and Compliance	16-17 July	Athens, Greece
Secretariat, MED POL	Sub-Regional Meeting on Marine Litter	18-19 July	Athens, Greece
Plan Bleu/RAC	Workshop on Simplified Peer Review Mechanism (SIMPEER)	End August / Early September	(tbc)
Secretariat	39 th ECP Meeting	8 September	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	Meeting of the EcAp Coordination Group	9 September	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	Meeting of the MAP Focal Points	10-13 September	Athens, Greece
PAP/RAC	1 st Training course on ICZM/MSP Processes and Functionalities of Geoportal for PORTODIMARE Project Partners	September	Split, Croatia
PAP/RAC	Mediterranean Coast Day	25 September	Nicosia, Cyprus
Plan Bleu/RAC, SPA/RAC, LabexMed, MedPAN, MedECC	Climate Change in Marine Protected Areas	25-26 September	Marseille, France
PAP/RAC	Final meeting with National Representatives on a Common Approach to MSP for the Adriatic Sub-Region	October	Split, Croatia
ACCOBAMS and SPA/RAC	5 th Biennial Conference on Cetacean Conservation in South Mediterranean Countries	October	(tbc)
REMPEC	3 rd Meeting of the Mediterranean Network of Law Enforcement Officials relating to MARPOL within the framework of the Barcelona Convention (MENELAS)	8-9 October (tbc)	Valletta, Malta (tbc)
REMPEC, European Commission	Regional Workshop on the Use of the Common Emergency Communication and Information System (CECIS) and the	October	Brussels, Belgium

	Mediterranean Emergency Reporting System (MedERSys)		
REMPEC	Regional Workshop on the AFS Convention and the Biofouling Guidelines	12-14 November (tbc)	Valletta, Malta
REMPEC, EMSA/EC	National IMO training course on response to HNS in the marine environment, based on the newly developed IMO model course	October (tbc)	Istanbul, Turkey
Secretariat	21 st Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (COP 21)	2-5 December	Naples, Italy
REMPEC	Meeting for the Trilateral Agreement on the Sub-Regional Contingency Plan between Cyprus, Egypt and Greece	10-11 December	(tbc)

SECTION II

Major International Events of MAP Relevance

ORGANIZERS	MEETING	DATE	VENUE
2019			
CBD	7 th Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES-7)	29 April-4 May	Paris, France
BRS Secretariat	Meetings of the Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions (BC COP-14, RC COP-9, SC COP-9)	29 April-10 May	Geneva, Switzerland
G7	G7 Environment Ministers Meeting	5-6 May	Metz, France
IMO	74 th Session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC)	13-17 May	London, United Kingdom
CITES	COP 18	23 May-4 June	Colombo, Sri Lanka
FAO	41 st Session of the FAO Conference	3-8 July	Rome, Italy
UNDESA	High level Political Forum (HLPF) at ECOSOC level	9-18 July	New York, U.S.A.
G7	45 th G7 summit	25-27 August	Biarritz, France
UN	74 th Session of the United Nations General Assembly	17-30 September	New York, U.S.A.
UN	UN Climate Summit 2019	23 September	New York, U.S.A.
UNDESA	High level Political Forum (HLPF) at UNGA level / the “SDGs’ Summit”	24-25 September	New York, U.S.A.
EEA	Regional Meeting on H2020 Assessment	24-25 September	Athens, Greece (tbc)
IMO	41 st Consultative Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Convention and 14 th Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Protocol 1996 (LC 41/LP 14)	7-11 October	London, United Kingdom
Government of Norway	Our Ocean Conference 2019	23-24 October	Oslo, Norway
FAO	FAO International Symposium on Fisheries Sustainability: Strengthen the Science	19-21 November	Rome, Italy
IMO	31 st session IMO Assembly	25 November-5 December	London, U.K.
UNFCCC	25 th Session of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC	2-13 December	Santiago, Chile