

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Introduction

1. Further to the decision of the last Bureau meeting in Sarajevo 19-20 may 2003, the Secretariat is organizing a fourth and last meeting of the Working Group on Reporting system to discuss about lessons learnt from the trial exercise on reporting system and the recommendations for the future biennium. The meeting is convened in Athens 4-5 July 2003.
2. The following annotations to the provisional agenda for the meeting were prepared by the Secretariat to assist the meeting in its deliberations.

Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting

3. The meeting will be opened at 10:00 hrs on Friday, 4 July 2003, by the MAP coordinator Mr. Lucien Chabason.
4. It is expected that the participants will tackle all items of the Provisional Agenda during its 1 and half days meeting including the proposal of the recommendations for the Contracting Parties meeting in Catania about the reporting system. It is envisaged to close the meeting at 13:00 hrs on 5 July 2003. The recommendations of the meeting will be prepared by the Secretariat and will be submitted for adoption at the end of the meeting. The report of the meeting will be circulated to participants for adoption after the meeting.

Agenda item 2: Rules of procedure and election of officers

5. In accordance with Rule 20 of the "Rules of Procedures of the Barcelona Convention, the Meeting will elect a Chairperson, two vice-Chairpersons and one Rapporteur.

Agenda item 3: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and organization of work

6. The Provisional Agenda prepared by the Secretariat, was distributed as document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.237/1 and annotated in the present document.
7. The meeting will review and adopt the Provisional Agenda. Simultaneous interpretation in English and French will be available for all sessions.

Agenda item 4: Presentation of National Reporting Reports

8. The Representative of participating countries at the reporting exercise, Algeria, Croatia, Monaco, Spain, Tunisia and Turkey will make a summarized presentation of their national reports focusing more the problematic, difficulties and challenges for the future.

Agenda item 5: Integrated report on lessons learnt and recommendations drawn from the reporting exercise

9. The Secretariat will present the report prepared by the Secretariat "Lessons learnt and recommendations drawn from the implementation of reporting exercise". The Secretariat will introduce a rationale for the need to establish a mechanism to review and promote implementation of the legal obligations under MAP and submit relevant recommendations for the CP meeting in Catania. As a first step, a proposal to establish a working group on Implementation and Compliance will be submitted for discussions. The terms of references, composition and tasks of such a group will be proposed as well.
10. The meeting is expected to comment on the content of the above report and adopt recommendations as appropriate.

Agenda item 6: **Presentation of the updated reporting formats**

11. The meeting is expected to comment on the updated reporting formats and adopt recommendations as appropriate

Agenda item 7: **Any other business**

12. The meeting will consider any other issues that might be raised during the meeting.

Agenda item 8: **Adoption of the recommendations of the meeting**

13. The Secretariat will submit the for adoption a set of recommendations. The report of the meeting is expected to be adopted at a later phase.

Agenda item 9: **Closure of the meeting**

14. The meeting is expected to be closed by the MAP Coordinator at 13:00 hrs on Saturday, 5 July 2003.