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## MEDITERRANEAN ACTION PLAN MED POL

Meeting of MED POL National Coordinators

Hammamet (Tunisia), 25-28 June 2007

### **Provisional Annotated Agenda**

#### Agenda item 1. Opening of the Meeting

The Meeting will be opened by H. E. Mr. Nadhir Hamada, Minister of the Environment and of Sustainable Development of Tunisia, and the MAP Coordinator at 10,00 h of 25 June 2007 at the Hotel Le Royal Hammamet, in Hammamet. The MED POL Programme Coordinator will also address the Meeting and will briefly describe the scope and purpose of the Meeting. In fact, the Meeting while addressing the activities carried out during the present biennium and presenting the activities proposed to be carried out during 2008-2009 that will be transmitted to Contracting Parties for adoption, is expected to review and discuss the work carried out by the Secretariat as a follow up to the Extraordinary Meeting of MED POL National Coordinators held in Mytilini on 26-28 March 2007.

#### Agenda item 2. <u>Election of Officers</u>

The Meeting will elect a Chairperson, two Vice-Chairpersons and a Rapporteur.

#### Agenda item 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Organization of Work

The Secretariat will introduce the Agenda (doc. UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG. 316/1 and WG. 316/2) that will be discussed, amended as necessary, and approved by the Meeting. The Meeting will be provided with simultaneous translation English/French and will be run in plenary only.

### Agenda item 4. Review of work carried out during the 2006-2007 biennium

The Secretariat will introduce document UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG. 316/Inf. 3 that describes the MED POL-related work that was carried out by the Secretariat and the countries during 2006-2007. The Coordinators are expected to review the content of the document and provide their comments, taking into account that the document will be presented to MAP Focal Points and later to Contracting Parties for information.

### Agenda item 5. Follow up to the Extraordinary Meeting of MED POL National Coordinators (Mytilini, 26-28 March 2007)

The Secretariat will introduce to the Meeting the work that was carried out as a follow up to the conclusions and recommendations of the Extraordinary Meeting of MED POL Coordinators held in Mytilini on 26-28 March 2007 in relation to the following subjects: the operational document of MED POL Phase IV, the preparation of the new legally-binding text called by art 15 of the LBS Protocol and the MED POL Information System.

## Agenda item 5.1 Review and approval of the Operational Document of MED POL Phase IV

The Secretariat will introduce document UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG. 316/3. The Document describes the MED POL Phase IV activities approved by the Contracting Parties and provides details on their implementation. The version presented to this Meeting is the amended version of the first draft presented to the Extraordinary Meeting of ME DPOL National Coordinators in March 2007 and was prepared on the basis of the comments and recommendations made by MED POL Coordinators at that Meeting. As recommended by the Coordinators, the document also includes a rolling plan for all the activities up to 2013. The Meeting is expected to review the document, approve it as amended, and recommend its transmission to Focal Points and Contracting Parties for adoption.

# Agenda item 5.2 Review of steps made in the process of preparation of the new legally-binding text containing measures and timetables (art. 15 LBS protocol)

During the discussion held in Mytilini on the possible content of the future legally-binding text called by the Art.15 of the LBS Protocol, the Coordinators asked the Secretariat to prepare two supporting documents to facilitate the process of preparing the new text. As a result, the Secretariat prepared two documents (UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG. 316/4 and WG. 316/5) that cover, respectively, a comparative analysis of the commitments of the current SAP with the related international, regional and European legal instruments and agreements, based on the available data and information, and a model describing the possible measures for the reduction of inputs of one pollutant (e.g. BOD) from the relevant sector.

The documents will be reviewed and discussed by the Meeting and the outcome of the discussions will be used by the Secretariat for the implementation of the process of negotiating and preparing the new legally binding text which will follow up the current SAP.

### Agenda item 5.3 Review of data policy in the framework of the MED POL Information System

A number of policy issues were raised by the Coordinators during their Meeting in Mytilini in relation to the management of the MED POL Information System in general and the data in particular. As a result, in cooperation with INFO/RAC, a document was prepared by the Secretariat (UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG.316/6) which refers to the above issues. The Meeting is expected to review the document and provide the Secretariat with clear decisions in relation to the future management of the Information System as it is expected to be operational in 2008.

#### **Agenda item 6.** Review and approval of workplan for 2008-2009 MED POL activities

The Secretariat has prepared document UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG. 316/7 which describes the activities that are proposed to be carried out during the 2008-2009 biennium. The Meeting is expected to review the activities, amend the workplan as appropriate and approve its transmission to MAP Focal Points and Contracting Parties for adoption.

#### **Agenda item 7.** Other business

In addition to any other business that may be raised by the participants, the Secretariat will briefly inform the Meeting of the progress made by MAP and MED POL in the process of application of the ecosystem approach to the management of human activities.

### Agenda item 8. Review and approval of draft Report

The Secretariat will prepare a draft report of the Meeting in English and French that will be reviewed, revised as necessary and approved by the Meeting.

### Agenda item 9. Closure of the Meeting

The Meeting will be closed by the Chairperson at 17,30 hours of 28 June 2007.

### PROPOSED TIMETABLE

### Monday 25 June 2007

10,00 - 10,30 h	Agenda items 1., 2. and 3.
10,30 - 11,00 h	Coffee break
11,00 - 13,00 h	Agenda item 4.
13,00 - 14,30 h	Lunch break
14,30 - 15,30 h	Agenda items 5., 5.1
15,30 - 16,00 h	Coffee break
16,00 - 18,00 h	Agenda item 5.1 (cont'd)

### Tuesday 26 June 2007

09,30 - 10,30 h	Agenda item 5.2
10,30 - 11,00 h	Coffee break
11,00 - 13,00 h	Agenda item 5.2 (cont'd)
13,00 - 14,30 h	Lunch break
14,30 - 15,30 h	Agenda item 5.2 (cont'd)
15,30 - 16,00 h	Coffee break
16,00 - 18,00 h	Agenda item 5.3

### Wednesday 27 June 2007

09,30 - 10,30 h	Agenda item 5.3. (cont'd)
10,30 - 11,00 h	Coffee break
11,00 - 13,00 h	Agenda item 6.
13,00 - 14,30 h	Lunch break
14,30 - 15,30 h	Agenda item 6. (cont'd)
15,30 - 16,00 h	Coffee break
16.00 – 18.00 h	Agenda items 6. (cont'd). 7.

### Thursday 28 June 2007

Thursday 26 June 2007	
09,30 - 13,00 h	No meeting session. Preparation of the report by the Secretariat
13,00 - 14,30 h	Lunch break
14,30 - 15,30 h	Agenda item 8.
15,30 - 16,00 h	Coffee break
16,00 – 17,30 h	Agenda items 8. (cont'd)
17,30 - 18,00 h	Agenda item 9.