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First Meeting of the Executive Coordination Panel

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Agenda Item 1 Opening of the Meeting – Introduction by the MAP Coordinator

The MAP Coordinator will open the first meeting of the Executive Coordination Panel, outlining his views about the role and objectives of the ECP.

Agenda Item 2: Adoption of the Agenda

The meeting will be invited to adopt the agenda following discussion and amendments, if any.

Agenda Item 3: Terms of Reference of the ECP

Following an introduction by the Coordinator of the Draft Terms of Reference (ToR) of the ECP, which were prepared with inputs from all MAP components, the meeting will be invited to discuss, amend as necessary, and approve the ToR.

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Agenda Item 4: Proposed Cross-cutting Thematic Priorities for consideration in the Five-Year Indicative Programme and Biennium Programme of Work

The MAP Coordinator will introduce the draft document entitled “Proposed Cross-cutting Thematic Priorities for Consideration in the Five-Year Indicative Programme and Biennium Programme of Work”.

The draft document, which takes into account the amendments proposed by the MAP components, identifies a number of cross-cutting thematic issues which are being proposed to be taken into account in the development of the 5-Year Indicative Programme (2010-2014) and the Biennium Programme of Work (2010-2011) and which should be the collective responsibility of all MAP components.

The meeting is invited to discuss, amend as necessary, and approve the document.

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Agenda Item 5: Implementation of Almeria Decisions

The different MAP components will be invited to inform the meeting about their plans for the implementation of the decisions of the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Almeria-January, 2008) relative to their biennium programme of work. The meeting will

also be invited to discuss the joint implementation of the decisions of the Almeria Declaration.

Reference document- Report of the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties.

Agenda Item 6: Financial Management Audit

The meeting will be invited to discuss the modus operandi of the Financial Management Audit that is being launched in conformity with the decision of the Contracting Parties. The meeting will also be informed about the stage reached in the discussion with the Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) of UNEP that have been invited to carry out the audit on the basis of the Terms of Reference that have been prepared in consultation with all MAP components.

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Agenda Item 7: Criteria for the selection of new MCSD Members

The meeting will be invited to discuss, amend as necessary, and approve the Criteria for the selection of the new MCSD members as decided by the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Almeria-January, 2008).

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Agenda Item 8: 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties – Lessons Learned

The meeting will be invited to engage in a discussion about the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Almeria – January, 2008) in order to identify what lessons could be learned which should be taken into account during the preparations of the 16th Meeting in Morocco in 2009.

Agenda Item 9: Other matters

The meeting will be informed about other matters of interest to all MAP components.

Agenda Item 10: Adoption of the Report

The meeting will be invited to adopt the report of the meeting of the ECP that will be prepared by the Secretariat.

Agenda Item 11: Closure of the Meeting

Following concluding remarks by the Coordinator and the participants, the first meeting of the ECP will be brought to a close with the usual courtesies.