

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Introduction

1. At the invitation of the Government of Slovenia and in consultation with the President and members of the Bureau, it was decided that the meeting of the Bureau will be held in Ljubljana on 6-7 April 2006, at the Hotel Mons, Pot za Brdom 55, Tel. +386 1 47 02 700, Web site: www.hotel.mons.si.
2. The following annotations to the provisional agenda 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 09:30 hrs on Thursday, 6 April 2006 by the President of the Bureau, H.E Mr. Janez Podobnik, Minister of Environment and Physical Planning of Slovenia.

Agenda item 2: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and organization of work

4. The Provisional Agenda prepared by the Secretariat, was distributed as document UNEP/BUR/64/1.
5. The meeting will review and adopt the Provisional Agenda. Simultaneous interpretation in Arabic, English and French will be available for all sessions.
6. It is expected that the Bureau will tackle all items of the Provisional Agenda during its one and a half day meeting including the adoption of a list of decisions. It is envisaged to close the meeting of the Bureau at mid-day on 7 April 2006. The report of the meeting will be prepared at MEDU by the Secretariat and distributed to the members of the Bureau for comments and approval.

Agenda item 3: Progress Report by the Secretariat on activities carried out since the last Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention (Portoroz , 8-11 November, 2005)

7. The Coordinator of MAP will present document UNEP/BUR/64/3. The Progress Report will be introduced in two sessions. First a general review of activities and outputs will be presented. A number of specific issues will then be addressed more in detail to enable the members of the Bureau to give appropriate guidance to the Secretariat.
8. The meeting is expected to comment on and take note of the progress report on the implementation of the activities carried out since the meeting of the Contracting Parties last November, and adopt recommendations as appropriate.

Agenda item 4: **Preliminary discussion on proposed topics for the Ministerial segment of the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties in 2007**

9. The Secretariat will introduce a number of topics for the consideration of the Bureau, as possible issues to be addressed during the Ministerial segment of the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties in 2007.
10. The meeting is expected to have an exchange of views on this issue and advise the Secretariat as appropriate.

Agenda item 5: **Date and the place of the next meeting of the Bureau**

11. The meeting will decide on the date and place of the next Bureau meeting

Agenda item 6 **Any other business**

12. The meeting will consider other issues, which may be raised during the meeting.

Agenda item 7: **Conclusions and decisions**

13. The Secretariat will submit for adoption a set of recommendations. The report of the meeting will be circulated to the members of the Bureau at a later stage for adoption.
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Agenda item 8: **Closure of the meeting**

15. The meeting is expected to be closed by the President at 13:00 hrs on Friday 7 April 2006.

TIMETABLE

THURSDAY 6 APRIL 2006

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| 09.30 | 1) Opening of the meeting
2) Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and organization of work | President of the Bureau |
| 10.00 | 3) Progress Report by the Secretariat on activities carried out since the last Meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention (Portoroz, November 2005) | MAP Coordinator |
| | A. General review on the progress and outputs of the main activities | |
| 11.00 | Coffee break | |
| 11.30 | 3) Progress Report by the Secretariat (continued) | MAP Coordinator |
| | B. Specific issues | |
| | a) <u>Legal issues</u> | |
| | b) <u>Institutional matters</u> | |
| 13.00 | Lunch Break | |
| 15.00 | 3) Progress Report by the Secretariat (continued) | MAP Coordinator |
| | B. Specific issues | |
| | c) <u>Cooperation with partners</u> | |
| | 1.Cooperation with the EC | |
| | 2.Strategic partnership | |
| | 3.Cooperation with the NGOs partners | |
| 16.30 | Coffee break | |
| 17.00 | 3) Progress Report by the Secretariat (continued) | MAP Coordinator |
| | B. Specific issues | |
| | d) <u>National Action Plans (NAPs) to address land-based pollution</u> | |
| | e) <u>Financial issues</u> | |
| | 4) Proposed topics for the Ministerial segment at the 15 th Contracting Parties Meeting in 2007 | |

FRIDAY 7 APRIL 2006

09.30 5) Date and place of the next meeting of the Bureau

6) Any other business

11.30 7) Conclusions and decisions

13.00 8) Closure of the Meeting

President of the Bureau