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and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean and its Protocols

Athens, Greece, 9-12 February 2016

Agenda item 7: Dates and Place of COP 20

Indicative Calendar of Main UNEP/MAP Meetings in the Biennium 2016-2017

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Note by the Secretariat

With the view to facilitate the planning and participation at MAP meetings, the Secretariat has prepared for information purposes an indicative calendar of the main institutional meetings of the MAP system.

In preparing this indicative calendar, the Secretariat took into account two important criteria: a) the Twentieth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (COP 20) should be held before the end of 2017; and b) overlapping with already planned major global relevant meetings should be avoided.

Dates and venues of the proposed meetings will be confirmed and updated as appropriate at a later stage in consultation with the Bureau of the Contracting Parties.

Immediately after the Nineteenth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (COP 19), following the adoption of the Programme of Work and Budget 2016-2017, the Secretariat will complete the calendar with the other policy, technical and thematic meetings of the MAP system as appropriate.

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Organizers	MEETING	DATE	VENUE
2016			
Secretariat	19 th Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (COP 19)	9-12 February	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	ECP Meeting	23-24 February	Malta (tbc)
Secretariat	81 st Meeting of the Bureau	19-20 April	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	ECP Meeting	20-21 September	Sophia Antipolis, France (tbc)
Secretariat	82 nd Meeting of the Bureau	26-27 October	tbc
2017			
Secretariat	ECP Meeting	12-13 January	Split, Croatia (tbc)
MAP Components	Three-day Meetings of Components Focal Points	15-31 May	tbc
Secretariat	Meeting of the 17th MCSD and its Steering Committee	13-16 June	tbc
Secretariat	83 rd Meeting of the Bureau	28-29 June	tbc
Secretariat	ECP Meeting	3 September	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	Meeting of EcAp Coordination Group	4 September	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	Meeting of the MAP Focal Points	5-8 September	Athens, Greece
Secretariat	20 th Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (COP 20)	5-8 December	tbc