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Second Meeting of the Executive Coordination Panel

Malta, 29-30 May 2008

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Agenda Item 1: Opening of the Meeting

The meeting will be opened by the Coordinator of MAP.

Agenda Item 2: Adoption of the Agenda and organization of work

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

Working documents:

- UNEP(DEPI)/MED ECP.2/1 Provisional Agenda
- UNEP(DEPI)/MED ECP.2/2 Annotated Provisional Agenda

Agenda Item 3: Matters arising from the First ECP meeting

The meeting is expected to generally review the implementation status of the main decisions agreed by the first ECP meeting held in Athens in February 2008. The decisions made by the last ECP meeting cover the following issues:

- Preparation and circulation of Concept notes on cross-cutting thematic priorities for inclusion in the Five-Year Indicative Programme and Biennium Programme of Work
- Preparation of project outlines on MISED , Climate Change and SoE report
- Cooperation among RACs on CAMPs implementation and EU project on ICZM
- Commitments under the Almeria Declaration
- Indicators Effectiveness of the implementation of the Convention and its Protocols In this regard, all ECP members are expected to brief the meeting on steps taken to implement the decisions taken with respect to legal and institutional issues as well those related to coordination, cooperation and integration among MAP components and their follow up.

Working document:

UNEP(DEPI)/MED ECP2/3 "Concept papers and Project Outlines by the RACs on cross-cutting priorities for consideration in the 5-year indicative biennium programmes of work

Reference document:

UNEP(DEPI)/MED ECP1/7- Report of the first ECP meeting, Athens, February 2008

Agenda Item 4: Implementation of the Governance paper – Institutional Aspects

Following decision IG17/5 a number of actions are needed to be undertaken by all RACs, MEDPOL and the Secretariat in order to timely and successfully prepare the template host country agreement as well as the mandate for each RAC and MEDPOL including a mission statement for each component of MAP and MAP as a whole.

In this regard, the coordinator of MAP will introduce a first draft of some elements for developing a HCA template.

The meeting is expected to embark on a general discussion and agree to set up a precise procedure and timeframe for its implementation with a view to have the first respective drafts ready for submission to the third ECP meeting.

Working document:

UNEP(DEPI)/MED/ECP2/4 "Template of the Draft Agreement between the Governments of the Host Countries and UNEP/MAP concerning the establishement of RACs"

Agenda Item 5: Application of the ecosystem approach – follow up actions

The consultant will present document UNEP(DEPI)/MED ECP 2/5 for discussion.

The meeting is expected to comment on the proposal and amend it where appropriate, accordingly.

Working document:

UNEP(DEPI)/MED ECP 2/5 "Implementation of the road map (step 3) for the application of the ecosystem approach"

Agenda Item 6: MoP16 – Ministerial Segment Topics

The meeting will be invited to address possible topics for inclusion at the ministerial session of the 16th Contracting Parties meeting that will be held in Marrakech, Morocco, in 2009.

The meeting is expected to formulate a first proposal of possible Ministerial topics for submission to the forthcoming Bureau meeting (BUR 67) for its consideration and inputs.

Agenda Item 7: Participation of MAP in international meetings and events

Under this agenda item, it is expected to address and highlight, in view of enhancing MAP visibility and ensuring synergy and efficient use of resources, the necessity for MAP to be present and actively attends the international meetings and events of its relevance. In particular the meeting is expected to consider if is there room to improve or newly establish a well-in–advance informing procedure and reporting on the attendance by the representatives of all MAP components including their main outcomes.

The meeting is expected to address all necessary modalities and come out with clear decisions on this important issue.

Agenda Item 8: Implementation of the Joint Programme of Work with EC and EEA

All ECP members are expected to brief the meeting on steps taken for the implementation of both joint programmes of work. It's time to reflect on the possibility to hold a second monitoring meeting with the EC services involved in order to review the status of implementation of each activity and consider any need for update, where appropriate.

Reference documents: Joint working Programme MAP/EC Joint working Programme MAP/EEA

Agenda Item 9: Organization of the Focal Points meeting

The meeting is expected to address organisational and financial aspects of RAC focal points meetings. This early discussion will enable the Secretariat and the RACs to plan and take on time the necessary measures in order to hold effective and successful joint meetings of RAC focal points next year.

Agenda Item 10: Financial Management Audit

The meeting will be invited to discuss with the team of 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 agreed in consultation with all MAP components.

Reference Documents:

UNEP(DEPI)/MED ECP1/7- Report of the first ECP meeting, Athens, February 2008

Agenda Item 11: Other matters

At the time of the preparation of the present draft of the provisional annotated agenda, the Secretariat would like to propose that under this agenda item the meeting could address: "Ways and means to ensure the implementation of Decision IG.17/3 of the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties on Reporting, including the conclusions and the draft working Plan proposed by the meeting of the representatives of all MAP components held in Rome on 5-6 May 2008.

The ECP is expected to endorse the working plan as amended and gives full support to its implementation.

Information document:

UNEP(DEPI)/MED ECP2/Inf.2 "Ways and means to ensure the implementation of Decision IG.17/3 of the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties, January 2008, Almeria, Spain, on Reporting"

Agenda Item 12: Adoption of the Report

The meeting will be invited to adopt the report of the meeting that will be concise and written in a point by point form, mainly reflecting the decisions taken including actions for their implementation.

Agenda Item 13: Closure of the Meeting

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

PROPOSED TIMETABLE

Thursday, 29 May 2008			
0900-0930	Opening of the Meeting		
0930-1100	Agenda items 1,2, 3		
1100-1130	Coffee break		
1130-1300	Agenda item 3		
1300-1430	Lunch		
1430-1600	Agenda item 4		
1600-1630	Coffee break		
1630-1800	Agenda items 5 and 6		
Friday, 30 May 2008			
0900-1000	Agenda items 7 and 8		
1000-1100	Agenda items 8, 9, 10		
1100-1130	Coffee break		
1130-1230	Agenda item 11		
1300	Closure of the meeting		
1500- 1830	Meeting and interviews with OISI team		