





## **ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

### **Introduction**

Following the recommendations of the 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Contracting parties, Portoroz, Slovenia, 2005, the membership of the working group on implementation and compliance has been extended to all contracting parties. The draft document on the main elements for a possible compliance procedure under the Barcelona Convention and its protocols has been completed by the Secretariat with new elements. The third meeting of the Working Group reviewed the draft mechanism and in particular its proposed new elements. With a view to its finalization and submission to the meeting of MAP Focal Points in 2007, a fourth meeting of the Working Group will be held at Hotel Armada (Ahirkapi Str. No:24, 34122 Sultanahmet, Istanbul, Turkey - Tel:+ 90 212 455 44 55 - Fax: + 90 212 455 44 99).

1. The following annotations to the provisional agenda for the meeting were prepared by the Secretariat to assist the meeting in its deliberations.

### **Agenda item 1:      Opening of the meeting**

2. The meeting will be opened at 14.00 hrs on Wednesday 23 May 2007, by the MAP Coordinator Mr. Paul Mifsud.
3. It is expected that the participants will tackle all items of the Provisional Agenda during the two and a half days meeting. It is envisaged to close the meeting at 18:00 hrs on 25 May 2007. The report of the meeting will be circulated to participants for adoption after the meeting.

### **Agenda item 2:      Election of officers, adoption of the Provisional Agenda and organization of work**

4. In accordance with Rule 20 of the Rules of procedure, the meeting shall elect from among the representatives of the Contracting Parties, a President, three Vice-Presidents and a Rapporteur.
5. The Provisional Agenda prepared by the Secretariat, was distributed as document UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG.314/1 and annotated in the present document.
6. The meeting will review and adopt the Provisional Agenda. Simultaneous interpretation in English and French will be available for all sessions.

### **Agenda item 3:      Review of the draft compliance mechanism under the Barcelona Convention and its protocols**

7. The meeting will review in detail the proposed draft mechanism and adopt it as appropriate for submission to the MAP Focal Points meeting in 2007.

### **Agenda item 4:      Next steps**

8. The meeting is expected to discuss on any necessary actions to be taken, in order to render operational the compliance mechanism, once adopted by the Contracting Parties' meeting in 2007.

**Agenda item 5:**      **Adoption of recommendations**

9. The Secretariat will submit for adoption a draft decision on the compliance mechanism and the final text of the mechanism. The report of the meeting will be adopted after its circulation at a later phase.

**Agenda item 6:**      **Any other business**

10. The meeting may discuss any issue that might be raised.

**Agenda item 7:**      **Closure of the meeting**

11. The meeting is expected to be closed by the MAP Coordinator at 18:00 hrs on Friday, 25 May 2007.

## TIMETABLE

### Wednesday 23 May 2007

- 14.00 – 15.30 h      Agenda items 1,2 and Agenda item 3 (Review of the draft text)  
15.30 – 16.00      **Coffee break**  
16.00 – 18.00      Agenda item 3 (cont'd)

### Thursday 24 May 2007

- 09.30 – 11.00      Agenda item 3 (cont'd)  
11.00 – 11.30      **Coffee break**  
11.30 - 13.00      Agenda item 3 (cont'd)  
13.00 – 15.00      **Lunch Break**  
15.00 – 16.30      Agenda item 3 (cont'd)  
16.30 – 17.00      **Coffee Break**  
17.00 – 18.00      Agenda item 3 (cont'd)

### Friday 25 May 2007

- 09.30 – 11.00      Agenda item 3 (cont'd)  
11.00 – 11.30      **Coffee break**  
11.30 - 13.00      Agenda items 3 (cont'd) and 4  
13.00 – 15.00      **Lunch Break**  
15.00 – 16.30      Agenda item 5  
16.30 – 17.00      **Coffee Break**  
17.00 – 18.00      Agenda items 6 and 7