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Meeting of MAP Focal Points

Athens (Greece), 21-24 September 2005

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

INTRODUCTION

The Thirteenth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Catania, November 2003) decided to convene the Meeting of the National Focal Points in Athens, from 21 to 24 September 2005. The objectives of the meeting are to consider the progress in implementing the current programme of work of MAP and finalize the 2006-2007 programme budget and recommendations

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

Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting

The meeting will be opened at 10.00 hrs on Wednesday, 21 September 2005 at the Holiday Inn Hotel, 50 Michalakopoulou Avenue, Athens, by the Coordinator of the Mediterranean Action Plan (MAP). All MAP Focal Points have been invited to attend or to designate representatives. Representatives of relevant International Organizations and Non-Governmental Organizations have been invited to attend the meeting as observers.

Agenda item 2: Rules of procedure

The Rules of procedure adopted for meetings and conferences of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution and its protocols will apply *mutatis mutandis* to the meeting (UNEP/IG.43/6, Annex XI).

Agenda item 3: Election of officers

In accordance with the amended Rule 20 of the Rules of procedure, the meeting shall elect from among the representatives of the Contracting Parties, a President, four Vice-Presidents and a Rapporteur.

Agenda item 4: Adoption of the Agenda and organization of work

The Provisional Agenda prepared by the Secretariat and appearing in document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.270/1 and annotated in the present document, will be proposed for adoption by the meeting.

The Provisional Agenda was prepared by the Secretariat in consultation with the Bureau of the Contracting Parties, and the Directors of the Regional Activity Centres. If necessary *Ad hoc* discussion groups or drafting sub-committees may be formed by the meeting, in consultation with the Secretariat. The meeting will review and adopt the proposed timetable appearing in the Annex I to the present document.

Simultaneous English-French interpretation will be available for all sessions.

Agenda items 5 and 6: Report by the Coordinator on the activities carried out during the 2004-2005 biennium and financial implementation

The Coordinator will give a general introduction of document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.270/3 "Report by the Coordinator on the activities carried out during the 2004-2005 biennium" and document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.270/Inf.16 Financial Implementation. An overview of the main actions and activities under the framework of MAP will be presented in view of implementation of the recommendations of the 13th CP meeting in Catania, 2003 and the obligations arising from the Convention and protocols.

Agenda item 7 Recommendations and Programme Budget for 2006-2007 biennium

The Coordinator will give a general introduction of document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.270/4 "Recommendations and Programme budget for 2006-2007". The meeting is expected to concentrate its work on the recommendations and the budget and take the necessary decisions on the various sub-agenda items and their relevant recommendations and budget. The meeting is invited to refer at the respective working documents for the overall background and relevant set of recommendations.

The meeting is invited to pay particular attention to the following issues:

1. Actions to be taken in view of speeding up the ratification process;
2. New legal instrument on integrated coastal zone management (ICZM);
3. Main elements for a compliance mechanism under the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols;
4. Future orientation of MAP; External evaluations of the ERS RAC, CP RAC and MED POL;
5. MCSD, including its Working Programme and the draft declaration on the MSSD ;
6. MEDPOL phase IV, implementation of the LBS Protocol and the Strategic Action Programme (SAP);
7. Draft resolution on the adoption of the Strategy for the implementation of the Prevention and Emergency Protocol;
8. Implementation of the Action Plans adopted in the framework of the SPA and Biodiversity Protocol, and the Draft Declaration on the Monk seal;
9. Operational Strategic Action Plan for ICAM in the Mediterranean;
10. Environment and Development Report;
11. Information and Communication;

The meeting is expected to review and finalize the programme budget for the next biennium.

Agenda item 8: Draft agenda for the XIVth Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Portoroz, Slovenia, 8-11 November 2005)

The meeting is expected to review and finalize a provisional agenda for the XIVth Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Portoroz, Slovenia, 8-11 November 2005).

Agenda item 9: Any Other business

Other issues relevant to the Mediterranean Action Plan, which might be brought to the attention of the meeting, when adopting the agenda under item 4 by the participants or by the Secretariat, will be discussed under this agenda item.

Agenda item 10: Adoption of the Report of the meeting

A draft report of the meeting will be submitted to the participants for adoption.

Agenda item 11: Closure of the Meeting

The meeting is expected to be closed by the Chairman at 18.00 hrs on Saturday, 24 September 2005.

ANNEX I**DRAFT TIMETABLE****DATE****PLENARY****WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2005**

10.00 – 11.00 a.m.	Agenda item 1: Opening Agenda item 2: Rules of procedure Agenda item 3: Election of officers Agenda item 4: Adoption of the agenda
11.00 – 11.30 a.m.	Coffee Break
11.30 a.m. – 13.00 p.m.	Agenda item 5: Coordination Legal framework, Institutional Matters, MCSD, Cooperation and partnership, Meetings and Conferences, Information and Awareness
13.00 – 14.30 p.m.	Lunch Break
14.30 – 16.00 p.m.	Agenda item 5 (continued): Financial issues Agenda item 6: Financial implementation
16.00 – 16.30 p.m.	Coffee Break
16.30 – 18.00 p.m.	Agenda item 5 (continued): Components Pollution Prevention and Control; Conservation of Biological Diversity

THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2005

09.30 – 11.00 a.m.	Agenda item 5 (continued) Sustainable Management of Coastal Zones; Integrating Environment and Development
11.00 – 11.30 a.m.	Coffee Break
11.30 a.m. – 13.00 p.m.	Agenda item 7.I Coordination Agenda item 7.I.A: Legal framework
13.00 – 14.30 p.m.	Lunch Break
14.30 – 16.00 p.m.	Agenda item 7.I.B: Institutional Matters Agenda item 7.I.C: MCSD
16.00 – 16.30 p.m.	Coffee Break

16.30 – 18.00 p.m. Agenda item 7.I.D: Cooperation and Partnership
Agenda item 7.I.E: Information and Awareness

Agenda item 7.II: Components

Agenda Item 7.II.A: Pollution prevention and control

FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2005

09.00 – 11.00 a.m. Agenda item 7.II.A (continued)
Agenda item 7.II.B: Conservation of Biological Diversity

11.00 – 11.30 a.m. **Coffee Break**

11.30 a.m. – 13.00 p.m. Agenda item 7.II.B (continued)
Agenda item 7.II.C: Sustainable Management of Coastal Zones
Agenda item 7.II.D: Integrating Environment and Development
Agenda item 7.II.E: Information and Communication

13.00 – 14.30 p.m. **Lunch Break**

14.30 – 16.00 p.m. Agenda item 7.III: Programme and Budget for the biennium
2006-2007

16.00 – 16.30 p.m. **Coffee Break**

16.30 – 18.00 p.m. **Agenda item 8: Review of the draft agenda for the XIVth
Meeting of the Contracting Parties
(Portoroz, Slovenia, 8-11 November 2005)**

Agenda item 9: Any other business

SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2005

No session in the morning
(The Secretariat will prepare the report of the meeting)

17.00 – 18.00 p.m. **Agenda item 10: Adoption of the report**

Agenda item 11: Closure of the meeting