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Athens, 13 June 2024

Agenda item 2: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and Organization of Work

Provisional Annotated Agenda

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Introduction

1. In accordance with the institutional arrangements for coordination and implementation of the Child Project CP3.1 “Management Support and Expansion of Marine Protected Areas in Libya” (GEF ID 10158) implemented in the framework of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) funded Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme): “Enhancing Environmental Security (GEF ID 9607), the Secretariat/MedPCU is organizing the “Third Project Steering Committee Meeting of the MedProgramme Child Project 3.1,” to be held in Athens, Greece on 13 June 2024.

2. The primary objective of the Project Steering Committee Meeting is to take stock of progress achieved and to review and validate the workplan and budget revisions/forecast of the project for the forthcoming year.

3. The following annotations to the Provisional Agenda were prepared by the Secretariat to assist the meeting in its deliberations.

Provisional Annotated Agenda

Agenda item 1: Opening of the Meeting

4. The Meeting will be opened at 10:00 AM on Thursday 13 June 2024 by the Secretariat.

Agenda items 2: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and Organization of Work

Working Documents	UNEP/MED WG.595/1 UNEP/MED WG.595/2
Information Document	UNEP/MED WG.595/Inf.1

a) Rules of Procedure

5. The Rules of Procedure for Meetings and Conferences of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean and its Protocols (UNEP/IG.43/6, Annex XI) will apply mutatis mutandis to the present Meeting.

b) Election of Officers

6. Subject to Rule 20 of the rules of procedure mentioned at para. 2(a), the Meeting will elect from among the representatives of the Contracting Parties, a President and a Rapporteur.¹

c) Adoption of the Provisional Agenda

7. Subject to Rule 14 of the rules of procedure mentioned at para. 2(a), the proposed agenda appearing in document UNEP/MED WG.595/1 and annotated in the present document UNEP/MED WG.595/2 will be reviewed and proposed for adoption by the meeting including the timetable presented at the end of the present document.

d) Organization of Work

8. The discussions are planned to be held over one day with two 3-hour plenary sessions opening at 10:00 and closing at 17:30, as per the Meeting Timetable included at the end of the annotated agenda, with a 1.5-hour mid-day break between the two sessions.

¹ Due to the limited number of participating countries, no vice presidents will be elected.

9. Simultaneous interpretation in English and French will be available for both sessions. Participants are encouraged to download the documentation on their computers in advance of the session. The meeting will be recorded for future reference.

10. It is envisaged to close the Meeting at 17:30 on 13 June 2024 after adopting its Conclusions and Recommendations.

Agenda item 3: CP 3.1 Review of project implementation progress

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Under this agenda item, the Secretariat will present document UNEP/MED WG.595/3 “Progress Report 2024-2025” highlighting the results and progress achieved under three outcomes of Child Project 3.1, namely:

- a) Protection of marine biodiversity in Libya’s Marine Protected Areas is enhanced through the development of an MPA governance structure at the national level and supported through new on-site management units, sustainable management plans and monitoring programmes and networks.
- b) The governance and sustainable management of MPAs is reinforced through the increased participation of Libyan stakeholders and strengthening of institutional capacities on MPA management and related monitoring activities.
- c) Awareness of the value and importance of MPAs is raised at the national level, as a further means of strengthening MPA governance and management.

11. The Meeting participants are expected to take note of work progress achieved to date with aim of addressing issues/challenges that prevented the timely completion of planned activities.

Agenda item 4: CP3.1 Workplan (2024 – 2025)

<i>Working Document</i>	<i>UNEP/MED WG.595/4</i>
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12. Under this agenda item, the Secretariat will present document UNEP/MED WG.595/4 “Workplan 2024-2025” which provides information on planned activities and their related tasks, as well as a description of delays facing timely implementation and the revised timetable for completion. A tabulated quarterly workplan including the timetable for implementation from 2021 to 2026 is also included.

13. The Meeting participants are expected to review and approve the workplan and timetable for the period June 2024 to June 2025.

Agenda item 5: CP2.2 Annual Budget Expenditures and Forecast

<i>Working Document</i>	<i>UNEP/MED WG.595/5</i>
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14. Under this agenda item, the Secretariat will present document UNEP/MED WG.595/5 “Budget Expenditures and Forecast (2024-2025)” which provides information on status of budget expenditures per UMOJA class; requested budget revisions and justifications, as well as budget forecast for the period 2024-2025.

15. The Meeting participants are expected to review budget expenditures and to approve the budget revisions and forecast for the period June 2024 to June 2025.

Agenda item 6: Any Other Business

16. Under this Agenda item, the participants will be able to raise any other business related to the above agenda items.

Agenda item 7: Conclusions and Recommendations

17. Under this Agenda item, the meeting will review, amend as appropriate and adopt draft conclusions and recommendations, as prepared by the Rapporteur.

Agenda item 8: Closure of the Meeting

18. The Chair will close the Meeting at 17:30 hours on 13 June 2024.

TIMETABLE

Thursday, 13 June 2024		
10:00 – 10:15	Agenda item 1: Opening of the Meeting	
10:15 – 10:30	Agenda item 2: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and Organization of Work	UNEP/MED WG.595/1/Rev.1 UNEP/MED WG.595/2 UNEP/MED WG.595/Inf.1
10:30 – 11:45	Agenda item 3: CP 3.1 Review of project implementation progress	UNEP/MED WG.595/3
11:45 – 13:00	Agenda item 4: CP 3.1 Workplan (2024 – 2025)	UNEP/MED WG.595/4
13:00 – 14:30	Break	
14:30 – 16:30	Agenda item 5: CP 3.1 Annual Budget Expenditures and Forecast	UNEP/MED WG.595/5
16:30 - 16:45	Agenda item 6: Any other Business	
16:45 - 17:30	Agenda item 7: Conclusions and Recommendations	
17:30	Agenda item 8: Closure of the Meeting	