



15th MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
11 - 13 December 2019, Bristol, United Kingdom

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA AND WORK PROGRAMME

1. Opening of the Meeting

The Chair of the Standing Committee will open the meeting. The Secretariat will be invited to make introductory remarks.

2. Admission of Observers

The Chair will orally inform the members about the Parties not members of the Committee, intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations represented at this meeting (Doc. AEWA/StC Inf. 15.6).

3. Adoption of the Agenda and Work Programme

The provisional agenda (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.2) and provisional work programme (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.3) will be proposed for adoption.

Possible items to be discussed under agenda item 13 - Any Other Business, should be identified. The possible need of closed sessions should also be identified.

4. Reports by

a. Standing Committee Regional Members and Party Observers

The members of the Standing Committee and Party Observers will be invited to report on progress made regarding the accession to AEWA of Range States in their region and the implementation of the Agreement, on activities of interest for the Agreement, and on any other developments in their specific region/organization of relevance to the Agreement (Doc. AEWA/StC/Inf. 15.2 – Guidelines for Reports Submitted by the StC Regional Representatives).

b. Technical Committee

The Chairperson of the Technical Committee will report on the work of the Technical Committee since January 2019.

c. Depositary

The representative of the Depositary will provide the Meeting with the latest information on accession of Range States to the Agreement (Doc. AEWA/StC/ 15.4).

d. Secretariat

The Secretariat will introduce the report on its activities (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.5 and Doc. AEWA/StC 15.11). The meeting will be invited to comment and provide guidance as appropriate.

e. UNEP

The representative of UNEP will present the activities of UNEP related to MEAs and the resolutions adopted during the UNEA4 Meeting, the preparation of UNEA5 and the post2020 framework activities (Doc. AEWA/StC/Inf. 15.4).

f. Other Observers

Representatives of Observers other than Party Observers will have the possibility to report on activities relevant to the implementation of the Agreement if they so wish.

5. Recruitment of Parties

The Secretariat will report on progress in the recruitment process. The meeting will be invited to comment on progress and discuss the support Parties can provide towards the recruitment of Range States.

6. 8th Session of the Meeting of the Parties to AEWA

a. Date and Venue, update on the status of preparation

The Host country, Hungary, and the Secretariat will report on progress. The meeting will be invited to comment

b. National reporting

The Secretariat will present the draft revised format for National Reports 2018-2020 and the meeting will be invited to comment and to adopt this format (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.6 Draft revised format for National Reports on the implementation of AEWA 2018-2020).

7. Implementation Review Process (IRP)

The Secretariat will orally report on the progress of open cases (Doc. AEWA/StC/Inf. 15.5). The meeting will be invited to comment and provide guidance as appropriate.

8. Outputs of the Technical Committee Work Plan 2019-2021

The Secretariat will report outputs of the Technical Committee Work Plan. The meeting will be invited to comment and to adopt changes in the delineation of some AEWA populations (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.7 Proposals for revision of population delineations of species listed on Annex 2 of AEWA).

9. Financial and administrative matters

a. Execution of the 2016-2018 and 2019-2021 budgets

The Secretariat will report on incomes and expenditures during the periods 2016-2018 and 2019-2021 (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.8 pro parte). The Meeting will be invited to take note of the report and comment as appropriate.

b. Administrative and Personnel Matters

The Secretariat will report on administrative and personnel matters (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.8 pro parte). The Meeting will be invited to take note of the report and comment as appropriate.

c. Status of AEWA contributions in arrears

The Secretariat will present the status of arrears (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.8 pro parte) and the possibility of suspending the right of vote for Parties with arrears. The Meeting will be invited to take note of the situation and to provide guidance as necessary.

d. Voluntary funding

The Secretariat will present the efforts made to apply for funding and the results (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.8 pro parte). The meeting will be requested to comment and to provide guidance.

e. AEWA scale of contributions for 2022-2024

The Secretariat will present the impact of the utilisation of the UN scale 2019-2021 on the contributions (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.9). The Meeting will be invited to comment and provide guidance for the preparation of MOP8.

10. Implications of moving from a 3-yearly to a 4-yearly Meeting of the Parties

The Secretariat will present a concept note for compiling an assessment of the impact of moving from a 3-yearly to a 4-yearly Meeting of the Parties (Doc. AEWA/StC 15.10). The meeting will be requested to comment and to provide guidance.

11. Date and Venue of the 16th Meeting of the Standing Committee

The Standing Committee will be invited to consider the date and venue for its 16th meeting.

12. Any other business

The Chair will invite members to present the item(s) – if any – identified under agenda item 2.

13. Closure of the meeting

PROVISIONAL WORK PROGRAMME

11 December 2019 (Wednesday)

Morning session, 09.00-12.30h

1. Opening of the Meeting
2. Adoption of the Agenda and Work Programme
3. Admission of Observers
- 4.a Reports by Standing Committee Members and Party Observers
- 4.b Report by the Technical Committee

Coffee Break

- 4.c Report by the Depositary
- 4.d Report by the Secretariat
- 4.e Report by UNEP
- 4.f Reports by Other Observers

Lunch break, 12.30-14.00h

Afternoon session, 14.00-18.00h

5. Recruitment of Parties
6. 8th Session of the Meeting of the Parties
7. Implementation Review Process
8. Outputs of the Technical Committee Work Plan 2019-2021

12 December 2019 (Thursday)

Morning session, 09.00-12.30h

9. Financial and administrative matters

- a. Execution of the 2016-2018 and 2019-2021 budgets
- b. Administrative and Personnel Matters
- c. Status of AEWA contributions in arrears

Coffee break

- d. Voluntary funding
- e. AEWA scale of contributions for 2022-2024

Lunch break, 12.30-14.00h

Afternoon session, 14.00-17.00h

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12. Any other business

13. Closure of the Meeting

13 December 2019 (Friday)

Field trip to the Slimbridge Wetlands Center

(<https://www.wwt.org.uk/wetland-centres/slimbridge/>)

Return at 4 pm to Bristol