

Addendum to the Provisional agenda

ANNOTATED AGENDA

Fifth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Carpathian Convention

Technical segment

Item 1. Official opening of the COP5 Technical Segment and welcome remarks

- Short presentation of the Czech Presidency

The meeting will be opened at 13:00 on Tuesday, 10 October 2017 by Mr. Michal Pastvinský, Director, Department of International Relations, Ministry of the Environment, as the representative of the Czech Presidency. The outgoing Presidency will briefly summarize some of the main achievements of its Presidency and will invite representatives from the incoming Presidency, Hungary, to deliver welcome remarks.

Item 2. Organizational matter

2.1. Election of Officers

In compliance with Rule 16 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the Carpathian Convention, each Party shall nominate a member of the Bureau, after that propose and seek endorsement for the election of the President, one Vice-President and a Rapporteur from this Bureau. Please see below the table with the previous formation of the COP officers (table 1)

The President may address the Conference and request the new President to take the Chair.

Upon election and in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the COP, the President presides at the meeting, ensures the observance of the rules of procedure, accords the right to speak, puts questions for decision-making and announce decisions.

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Table 1

Officer	COP1	COP2	COP3	COP4
President	Ukraine	Romania	Slovakia	Czech Republic
Vice- President	Czech Republic	Hungary	Czech Republic	
Rapporteur	Romania	Poland	Hungary	Serbia

2.2. Review of credentials and full powers

Pursuant to the Rule 15 the Rules of Procedure of the COP, and as outlined in the document CC/COP5/DOC8*, credentials of representatives and the alternate representatives and advisers will have to be submitted to the Head of the Secretariat not later than twenty-four hours after the opening of the meeting.

The Head of the Secretariat, Mr. Harald Egerer, will report on the credentials to the Conference of the Parties.

2.3. Adoption of the Agenda

The President will invite the Conference, in accordance with the Rules 9 to 11 of the Rules of Procedure, to consider and adopt the provisional agenda (CC/COP5/DOC1)*, prepared by the Secretariat pursuant to the Rule 6, 7 and 8 of the Rules of Procedure.

Item 3. Status of contributions, Status of ratification of Biodiversity Protocol, Forest Protocol, Tourism Protocol and Transport Protocol

The President will request the Depository to report on the status of ratification of the Protocol on Biodiversity, the Protocol on Sustainable Forest Management, the Protocol on Sustainable Tourism, and the Protocol on Sustainable Transport to the Carpathian Convention, and will invite comments and updates from the delegations. The status of ratifications can be found in the Conference document CC/COP5/DOC9*.

The Head of the Secretariat will report on status of contribution to the Carpathian Convention.

* All the official COP5 documents are available on the Carpathian Convention website/[COP5 section](#)

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Item 4. Implementation of the Carpathian Convention – Presentation of the activities, scientific inputs and draft decisions for COP5:

Items 4.1 – 4.11 will focus on presentation of current achievement and activities of the Carpathian Convention (since COP4), which will be preceded by scientific inputs on the state of the art/challenges in the particular sectors provided by the Science for the Carpathians. Each of the sessions will ensure time for a formal reading of the COP5 Decisions and open floor discussion, however the discussion might be limited due to time constrains.

Item 5. Date and venue of the Sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP6)

Pursuit to the Rule 3 and 4 of the Rules of Procedure, the meeting will be invited to consider the date and venue for its sixth meeting, and finalize decision COP5/18 for adoption by the Ministerial Segment.

Item 6. Closing of the Technical Segment

The President will close the Technical Segment of the COP5 and will invite the Head of the Secretariat to introduce the organization of work of the Ministerial Segment scheduled for 12. October 2017 from 9:00 to 13:30.

Ministerial Segment

Item 1. Opening and welcome remarks

1.1 Welcome by the Hungarian Presidency and the Czech Republic, the outgoing Presidency

The President will officially open the Ministerial Segment of the COP5 and welcome the high-level Participants and Observers, followed by the opening statement on behalf of the host Government. The President will also thank the outgoing Presidency, the Czech Republic for its successful term and invite the Head of the Czech Delegation to deliver a short speech. Then, the President will thank UN Environment for its long-lasting support to the Carpathian Convention, for administering the Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention in Vienna.

1.2 Welcome by UN Environment

Mr. Jan Dusik, Director and Regional Representative, UN Environment - Regional Office for Europe will address the meeting on behalf of UN Environment.

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Item 2. Progress in the implementation of the Carpathian Convention

A presentation of achievements, ongoing activities and future priorities of Carpathian Convention will be delivered by the Head of the Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention, Mr. Harald Egerer.

Item 3. Future of the Carpathians

A keynote speech on behalf of stakeholders and civil societies will be delivered by Mr. Andreas Beckmann, Director of WWF Danube – Carpathian Programme, who will focus on the future of the Carpathians using method of scenario thinking to depict how the Carpathian region could look like in 2050. The keynote speech will be accompanied by a video message from representatives of young generation living in the Carpathian region, presenting their vision of the Carpathians in the future.

Item 4. Moderated high level discussion (moderated by EurActiv – Zuzana Gabrizova)

The keynote speech will be directly link to the moderated high-level discussion where the Head of Delegations of the Carpathian Countries will be asked questions or asked for comments with reference to the leading theme of the high level session - *The future of the Carpathians*, including specific questions related to the most important issues related to the implementation of the Carpathian Convention, as well as to the overall time to come in the Carpathian region and its importance for the future generations.

Observers to the Carpathian Convention will also have a possibility to make short interventions or raise questions, if time constraint allows.

Item 5. Presentation of Pan-Carpathians expeditions

The very first Pan-Carpathian expeditions done under the lead of Mr. Montusiewicz in 1979, and the last one made by students from Romania in 2015 will be presented by their leaders themselves. The presentation will focus on changes that happened in the region within last decades.

Item 6. Brief report on the COP5 Technical Segment by the Rapporteur

The Rapporteur reports briefly on the plenary sessions (10 – 11 October), at the same time introducing the new Article on Climate Change and the Protocol on Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development.

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Item 7. Adoption of the Article on Climate Change to the Carpathian Convention

The President will invite the Conference to consider and adopt the new Article 12bis Climate Change to the Carpathian Convention by acclamation.

Item 8. Adoption and signature of the Protocol on Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development

The President will invite the Parties to adopt the Protocol by acclamation (clapping). Then the President will invite Parties to proceed with the signature of the Protocol (protocollary aspects / seating and signing arrangements will be confirmed by the host country).

Item 9. Adoption of the COP5 Decisions including the COP5 report

The President will propose that the finalization of the report will be entrusted to the Secretariat, working in consultation with the President and the Rapporteur to be circulated in due course. He will then invite the Conference to adopt the Decisions of the Fifth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Carpathian Convention by acclamation.

Item 10. Closure of the COP5 Meeting

After a final round of remarks by Head of Delegations (if they so request) and by UN Environment, the President together with Secretariat will thank all the participants and will declare the meeting closed.