

## 7<sup>th</sup> Session of the Meeting of the Parties

Brussels, Belgium, 15 – 17 September 2014

### Provisional Annotated Agenda



#### 1. **Opening remarks: The host Governments**

On behalf of the Governments of the three regions of Belgium, His Excellency Mr. René Collin, Minister of Agriculture, Nature, Rural Affairs, Tourism and Sport infrastructures (Government of Wallonia) will make an opening statement.

#### **The Chairs of the Standing and Advisory Committees**

Dr. Michel Perret (Chair of the Standing Committee) and Mr. Peter Lina (Chair of the Advisory Committee) will make an opening statement.

#### **The United Nations Environment Programme**

On behalf of the United Nations Environment Programme, Ms. Barbara Ruis will make an opening statement.

#### **The Convention on Migratory Species**

On behalf of the Convention on Migratory Species of Wild Animals, the Executive Secretary Dr. Bradnee Chambers will make an opening statement.

#### **The Secretariat**

On behalf of the Secretariat, the Executive Secretary Mr. Andreas Streit will make an opening statement.

#### 2. **Adoption of the Rules of Procedure (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.4)**

The Draft Rules of Procedure are identical to those adopted at MoP 6. For Rule 5, Paragraph (1) it is suggested to replace “Chairperson of the Advisory Committee” with “Chairperson of the Standing Committee”.

#### 3. **Election of Chair and Vice-Chair**

The Parties will be requested to nominate candidates for the posts of Chair and Vice-Chair.

#### 4. **Adoption of the Agenda (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.1.Rev.1)**

#### 5. **Election of the Chairpersons of the Administrative and Scientific Working Groups**

The Parties will be requested to nominate candidates for the posts of Chair of these two working groups.

#### 6. **Establishment of the Credentials Committee and Election of Chair**

The Parties will be requested to nominate candidates for the posts of Chair and at least two more members of the committee.

**7. Admission of Observers**

Unless more than one third of the Parties object, observers will be admitted to the plenary sessions and the scientific working group(s). The administrative working group will be restricted to Parties and UNEP staff only. Government representatives from Non Party Range States may attend the administrative working group as observers, if no Parties object.

**8. Report of the Chairperson of the Standing Committee (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.5)**

The Chair of the Standing Committee, Dr. Michel Perret (France), will give a brief report about the Committee's work in the past quadrennium.

**9. Report of the Chairperson of the Advisory Committee (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.6)**

The Chair of the Advisory Committee, Mr. Peter Lina (The Netherlands), will give a brief report about the Committee's work in the past quadrennium.

**10. Report of the Depositary (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.7)**

The Depositary (United Kingdom) will report on the accession of new Parties to the Agreement and to the second Amendment of the Agreement.

**11. Secretariat Report (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.8)**

The Executive Secretary will present a summary about the Secretariat's work in the past quadrennium.

**12. Review of the Implementation of the Agreement**

The Parties will be invited to give very brief oral reports on their implementation activities. Non-Party Range States will be requested to report on progress made in their preparations to accede to the Agreement.

Summaries of the oral reports may be submitted in written for inclusion in the record.

**13. Report of the Credentials Committee**

Before the adoption of the Resolutions, the Chair of the Credentials Committee will report which Parties have presented valid credentials for their representatives and consequently will have the right to vote, should a vote become necessary.

**14. Draft Resolution 7.1: Financial and Administrative Matters (Budget 2015 - 2018) (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.9, Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.24 and Inf.EUROBATS.MoP7.7)**

The Chair of the Standing Committee will introduce the document and provide the background discussed at the 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee (Heraklion, Greece, 7 – 10 April 2014). The Parties will be requested to review the four scenarios presented by the Standing Committee and one Party and to come to a decision.

**15. Draft Resolution 7.2: Amendment of the Annex of the Agreement (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.10.Rev.1 and Inf.EUROBATS.MoP7.48)**

The convenor of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.

**16. Draft Resolution 7.3: Implementation of the Agreement (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.11 and Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.11.Annex)**

The convenors of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.

- 17. Draft Resolution 7.4: Format of National Implementation Reports (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.12)**

The convenor of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 18. Draft Resolution 7.5: Wind Turbines and Bat Populations (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.13 and Doc.EUROBATS.MoP13.Annex)**

The convenor of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 19. Draft Resolution 7.6: Conservation and Management of Important Underground Sites for Bats (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.14.Rev.1 and Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.22.Rev.1)**

A member of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 20. Draft Resolution 7.7: Bat Conservation and Sustainable Forest Management (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.15)**

The convenor of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 21. Draft Resolution 7.8: Conservation and Management of Critical Feeding Areas, Core Areas around Colonies and Commuting Routes (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.16.Rev.1 and Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.16.Annex)**

The convenor of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 22. Draft Resolution 7.9: Impact of Roads and other Traffic Infrastructures on Bats (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.17)**

The convenor of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 23. Draft Resolution 7.10: Bat Rescue and Rehabilitation (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.18 and Inf.EUROBATS.MoP7.47)**

The convenor of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 24. Draft Resolution 7.11: Bats and Building Insulation (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.19)**

The convenor of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 25. Draft Resolution 7.12: Priority Species for Autecological Studies (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.20 and Inf.EUROBATS.MoP7.45)**

The convenor of the relating working group will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 26. Draft Resolution 7.13: Implementation of the Conservation and Management Plan (2015 – 2018)**

This Resolution will be drafted by the scientific working group during MoP7. The Parties will then be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.
- 27. Draft Resolution 7.14: Quality of Assessments and Qualification of Experts (Doc.EUROBATS.MoP7.23)**

The proposer (Germany) will introduce this draft resolution. The Parties will be requested to review and adopt the Resolution.

**28. Other Draft Resolutions submitted by the working groups**

Should any other Draft Resolutions emerge from the MoP, the proposers will be requested to introduce them.

**29. CMS Family Strategic Plan for Migratory Species (Inf.EUROBATS.MoP7.49)**

The Chair of the CMS working group on the Strategic Plan for Migratory Species 2015 – 2023 will introduce the final draft to be submitted to CMS CoP11.

**30. Action Plan for the Conservation of the Bat Species in the European Union 2014 – 2020**

The coordinator for the drafting of this action plan within the EU Commission will report about the status of preparation and the way forward.

**31. Election of the Members of the Standing Committee (StC)**

The Parties will be requested to elect (or re-elect) the members of the Standing Committee for the next term.

**32. Arrangements for the 8<sup>th</sup> Session of the Meeting of Parties**

The Parties will be invited to express their potential willingness to host MoP7.

**33. Any other business**

**34. Adoption of the Record of the Meeting**

**35. Close of Meeting**