



Conference of the Parties

Eighteenth session

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Item 2(e) of the provisional agenda

Organizational matters

Admission of organizations as observers

Admission of observers: organizations applying for admission as observers

Note by the secretariat*

Addendum

1. In addition to the list of intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) contained in document FCCC/CP/2012/2, the secretariat has prepared an additional list of one organization (see the annex to this document) to be considered for admission to the eighteenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) only. Its nomination as the umbrella organization facilitating the engagement of local civil society was announced by the Government of Qatar after the issuance of the aforementioned document.

2. The additional list of one NGO has been reviewed by the Bureau of the COP. The members of the Bureau have not raised any objections to the organization listed or to the admittance of the organization for COP 18 only. The organization has been advised of its provisional admittance status for COP 18 only, on the understanding that the final authority for its admission rests with the COP. If the organization wishes to continue to participate in the process, the organization should be advised to reapply for admission as an observer after COP 18.¹

3. Parties to the Convention that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol may wish to recall that decision 36/CMP.1, paragraph 2(c), provides that with respect to rules 6 and 7 of the draft rules of procedure being applied:

* This document was submitted after the due date in order to facilitate the participation of the umbrella organization at the eighteenth session of the Conference of the Parties and the eighth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.

¹ This is in accordance with past practice, whereby umbrella organizations in countries hosting sessions of the COP and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol have been admitted as observers at those sessions only.

(a) Organizations admitted as observers to previous sessions of the COP would be admitted to the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP);

(b) A single process would be used for the admission of observer organizations to sessions of the COP and of the CMP, with decisions on admission of observer organizations being taken by the COP.

Annex

Additional list of one applicant organization for admission as an observer at the eighteenth session of the Conference of the Parties

Non-governmental organization

1. Qatar Sustainability Network (QSN), Doha, Qatar
