Provisional agenda for the eighteenth session of the Conference of the Parties

Doha, Qatar
26 November to 7 December 2012

1. Opening of the session.

2. Organizational matters:
   a) Election of the President of the Conference of the Parties at its eighteenth session;
   b) Adoption of the rules of procedure;
   c) Adoption of the agenda;
   d) Election of officers other than the President;
   e) Admission of organizations as observers;
   f) Organization of work, including the sessions of the subsidiary bodies;
   g) Dates and venues of future sessions;
   h) Adoption of the report on credentials.

3. Reports of the subsidiary bodies:
   a) Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice;


7. Consideration of proposals by Parties for amendments to the Convention under Article 15:
   a) Proposal from the Russian Federation to amend Article 4, paragraph 2(f), of the Convention;

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1 Annotations to the provisional agenda of the eighteenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) under this item will indicate recommendations for draft decisions and conclusions arising from the work of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice in 2012 for consideration at COP 18.

2 Annotations to the provisional agenda of COP 18 under this item will indicate recommendations for draft decisions and conclusions arising from the work of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation in 2012 for consideration at COP 18.

3 Annotations to the provisional agenda of COP 18 under this item will indicate recommendations for draft decisions and conclusions arising from the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention in 2012 for consideration at COP 18.

4 Annotations to the provisional agenda of COP 18 under this item will reflect the status of work under the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP) as appropriate. At its seventeenth session, the COP decided that the ADP shall report to future sessions of the COP on the progress of its work (decision 1/CP.17, para. 3).
b) Proposal from Papua New Guinea and Mexico to amend Articles 7 and 18 of the Convention.


9. Development and transfer of technologies and implementation of the Technology Mechanism:
   a) Report of the Technology Executive Committee;
   b) Matters relating to the Climate Technology Centre and Network: selection of the host and constitution of the advisory board.

10. Second review of the adequacy of Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b), of the Convention.5

11. Matters relating to finance:
   a) Work programme on long-term finance;
   b) Report of the Standing Committee;
   c) Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Green Climate Fund;
   d) Arrangements between the Conference of the Parties and the Green Climate Fund;
   e) Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Global Environment Facility;
   f) Further guidance to the Least Developed Countries Fund.

12. National communications:
   a) National communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention;
   b) National communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention.

13. Capacity-building under the Convention;

14. Implementation of Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention;
   a) Implementation of the Buenos Aires programme of work on adaptation and response measures (decision 1/CP.10);
   b) Matters relating to the least developed countries.

5 Parties may recall that at COP 4, it “proved impossible to reach any agreed conclusions or decisions” on this matter (FCCC/CP/1998/16, para. 64). The item was therefore included in the provisional agenda for the fifth session of the COP in accordance with rules 10(c) and 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied. The COP, at its fifth session, could not reach a conclusion on this matter (FCCC/CP/1999/6, para. 18) and following rules 10(c) and 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, the item was included in the provisional agenda for the sixth up to, and including, the twelfth sessions of the COP with a footnote reflecting a proposal made by the Group of 77 and China to amend the item to read “Review of the adequacy of implementation of Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b), of the Convention”. On a proposal by the President, and on the basis of the recommendation made by the SBI, it was decided at COP 14 to defer consideration of this item to COP 16 (FCCC/CP/2008/7, para. 10). The COP, at its sixteenth session, based on a proposal by the President, deferred its consideration of this item, pursuant to rule 13 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, to COP 17. This item was held in abeyance at COP 17 and in accordance with rule 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, it will be considered at COP 18.
15. Article 6 of the Convention.
16. Other matters referred to the Conference of the Parties by the subsidiary bodies.
17. Administrative, financial and institutional matters:
   a) Audited financial statements for the biennium 2010–2011;
19. Statements by observer organizations.
20. Other matters.
21. Conclusion of the session:
   a) Adoption of the report of the Conference of the Parties on its eighteenth session;
   b) Closure of the session.