

CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES  
OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



Twenty-third meeting of the Animals Committee  
Geneva (Switzerland), 19-24 April 2008

Adoption of the agenda and working programme

WORKING PROGRAMME

**Saturday 19 April 2008**

09h00-10h30

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Rules of Procedure
  - 2.1 Current Rules of Procedure
3. Adoption of the agenda and working programme
  - 3.1 Agenda
  - 3.2 Working programme
4. Admission of observers

10h30-11h00

Break

11h00-12h30

***Joint session with the Plants Committee***

2. Rules of Procedure
  - 2.2 Proposed amendments
6. Revision of the Terms of Reference of the Animals and Plants Committees
7. Cooperation with advisory bodies of other biodiversity-related multilateral environmental agreements
8. Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species
  - 8.1 Evaluation of the Review of Significant Trade
  - 8.2 Progress report on the country-based Review of Significant Trade in Madagascar
9. Review of the use of source code 'R'

10. International expert workshop on non-detriment findings

Establishment of working groups

12h30-14h30

Lunch

14h30-16h00

Working group meetings

16h00-16h30

Break

16h30-18h00

Working group reports

**Monday 21 April 2008**

***Animals Committee only***

09h00-10h30

8. Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species

8.3 Overview of the species-based Review of Significant Trade

8.4 Species selected following CoP13

8.5 Selection of species for trade reviews following CoP14

8.5.1 Selection of the Solomon Islands population of *Tursiops aduncus* for inclusion in the Review of Significant Trade

11. Periodic review of animal species included in the CITES Appendices

11.1 Schedule and responsibilities for species selected for periodic review between CoP13 and CoP15

11.2 Periodic review of Felidae

11.2.1 Periodic review of Felidae – progress report from the United States of America

11.2.2 Status of the populations of *Lynx rufus* in Mexico

11.3 Periodic review of species selected prior to CoP13

18. Proposal to transfer the Mexican population of *Crocodylus moreletii* from Appendix I to Appendix II

12. Selection of a representative for the [SC] Working Group reviewing the implementation and effectiveness of the universal tagging system for and the trade in small crocodylian leather goods

13. Sturgeons and paddlefish

13.1 Secretariat's report

13.2 Evaluation of the assessment and monitoring methodologies used for stocks of Acipenseriformes species shared between different range States

14. Nomenclatural matters

15. Conservation and management of sharks

15.1 Reports from Parties on implementation of IPOA-Sharks, opportunities to improve monitoring, verification and reporting of catch, bycatch and discards and use of commodity codes

15.2 Identification of shark species of concern that require consideration for inclusion in the Appendices if their management and conservation status does not improve

15.3 Linkages between international trade in shark fins and meat and illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing

16. Transport of live animals

10h30-11h00 Break  
11h00-12h30 Items 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 18 (continued)  
12h30-14h30 Lunch  
14h30-16h00 Items 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 18 (continued)  
16h00-16h30 Break  
16h30-18h00 Items 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 18 (continued)

Establishment of working groups

**Tuesday 22 April 2008**

***Animals Committee only***

09h00-10h30 Items 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 18 (continued)  
10h30-11h00 Break  
11h00-12h30 Items 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 18 (continued)  
12h30-14h30 Lunch  
14h30-16h00 Items 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 18 (continued)  
16h00-16h30 Break  
16h30-18h00 Items 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 18 (continued)

**Wednesday 23 April 2008 *Animals Committee only***

09h00-10h30 Working group meetings  
10h30-11h00 Break  
11h00-12h30 Working group meetings  
12h30-14h30 Lunch  
14h30-16h00 Working group meetings  
16h00-16h30 Break  
16h30-18h00 Working group meetings

**Thursday 24 April 2008**

***Animals Committee only***

09h00-10h30 5. Regional reports  
5.1 Africa  
5.2 Asia

5.3 Central and South America and the Caribbean

5.4 Europe

5.5 North America

5.6 Oceania

10h30-11h00

Break

11h00-12h30

17. Progress report on the Identification Manual

Working group reports

12h30-14h30

Lunch

14h30-16h00

Working group reports (continued)

16h00-16h30

Break

16h30-18h00

Working group reports (continued)

18. Time and venue of the 24th meeting of the Animals Committee

19. Any other business

20. Closing remarks