

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

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Nineteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties  
Panama City (Panama), 14 – 25 November 2022

ELECTION OF REGIONAL MEMBERS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE  
AND OF MEMBERS OF THE ANIMALS AND PLANTS COMMITTEES

1. This document has been submitted by the Secretariat in relation with the election of new regional and alternate regional members for the Standing Committee (agenda items 9.1.2), Animals Committee (agenda item 9.2.2) and the Plants Committee (agenda item 9.3.2)\*.
2. On 14 April 2022, the Secretariat published Notification to the Parties [No. 2022/026](#) reminding CITES Parties that the selection of regional Members and alternate regional Members of the Standing Committee and of the Animals and Plants Committees will take place at the regional meetings held during the 19th meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The Notification furthermore invited Parties to submit candidatures for membership of these Committees where vacancies exist.
3. On 29 August 2022, the Secretariat communicated the candidatures to the Parties of the six regions through e-mail correspondence. The *curriculum vitae* of the candidatures for the Animals and Plants Committees received from regions were also shared. A summary of the candidatures received is attached as an Annex to this document.
4. The regional meetings are scheduled to take place on 14 November 2022 from 14:30 to 17:30.

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Election of Regional Members of the Standing Committee and  
of Members of the Animals and Plants Committees:  
Summary of the candidatures received for all regions

<b>Nominations: Permanent Committees</b>	<b>Africa</b>	<b>Asia</b>	<b>CSAC</b>	<b>Europe</b>	<b>North America</b>	<b>Oceania</b>
<b>Standing Committee</b>	Benin	China (Alternate) India	Brazil	Georgia	United States of America	New Zealand
	Chad	Indonesia Japan		Israel		
	United Republic of Tanzania	Kuwait Singapore		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UK)		
<b>Animals Committee</b>	Ms Maha Ngalie (Cameroon)	Mr. Ali Mansoor Abbas (Bahrain)	-	-	Hesiquio Benitez (Mexico)	Dr Hugh Robertson (New Zealand)
	Dr. James Vedastor Wakibara (United Republic of Tanzania)	Dr Xiaoge Ping (China) Dr Amir Hamidy (Indonesia) Dr Anna Wong (Singapore)				
<b>Plants Committee</b>	Dr Aurélie Flore Koumba Pambo (Gabon)	Dr. Yan Zeng (China)	Mr Erich Schaitza (Brazil)	Dr Noeleen Smyth (Ireland)	Cecilia Lougheed (Canada)	Mr Heimuli Likiafu (Tonga) (Alternate)
	Dr Chelestino Peter Balama (United Republic of Tanzania)	Dr Tae-Kwon Noh (Republic of Korea) Dr Chong Kwek Yan (Singapore) Ms Sumalee Tongdonae (Thailand)	Dr. Jacqueline de los Ángeles Pérez Camacho (Cuba) Mr Cesar Augusto Beltetón Chacón (Guatemala)			