

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



Twenty-sixth meeting of the Plants Committee
Geneva (Switzerland), 5 – 9 June 2023

Strategic matters

Plants Committee strategic planning for 2023-2025 (CoP19-CoP20)

PLANTS COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

1. This document has been submitted by the Chair of the Plants Committee.*
2. Annexes 1 and 2 to this document contain the list of instructions directed to the Plants Committee, or that may require that it be consulted or informed, that can be found in the currently valid Resolutions (Annex 1) and Decisions (Annex 2) of the Conference of the Parties. The full text of these instructions is presented in document PC26 Doc. 8.1.
3. For ease of reference, and similar to meeting agendas of the Plants Committee, the Decisions in Annex 2 are grouped under: Administrative and financial matters; Strategic matters; Illegal trade and enforcement; Regulation of trade; Species conservation and trade; and Appendices of the Convention.
4. The Chair of the Plants Committee asked all Members and alternate Members of the Committee to review the above-mentioned instructions and consider how they each could contribute to achieving their effective implementation. The Plants Committee then identified a lead or co-leads for each of the instructions as part of its workplan for 2023-2025, as shown in Annexes 1 and 2 to this document.
5. The Secretariat published Notification to the Parties No. [2023/044](#) on 5 April 2023 to inform the Parties that Mr. Ruben Boles of Canada will replace Ms. Cecilia Lougheed as representative for the North American region on the Plants Committee.

Recommendations

6. The Plants Committee is invited to note this document and agree that, in the event of the Standing Committee establishing additional intersessional working groups, the lead or co-leads identified for the relevant Resolution or Decision in the current work plan would represent the Plants Committee on the working group concerned.

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RESOLUTIONS WITH INSTRUCTIONS DIRECTED TO THE PLANTS COMMITTEE
OR THAT MAY REQUIRE ITS INPUTS OR ASSISTANCE

Resolution	Title	PC lead
Conf. 4.6 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Submission of draft resolutions, draft decisions and other documents for meetings of the Conference of the Parties</i>	All members
Conf. 9.19 (CoP15)	<i>Registration of nurseries that artificially propagate specimens of Appendix-I plant species for export purposes</i>	All members
Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP17)	<i>Criteria for amendment of Appendices I and II</i>	All members
Conf. 9.25 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Implementation of the Convention for species in Appendix III</i>	B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa
Conf. 10.21 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Transport of live specimens</i>	All members
Conf. 11.21 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Use of annotations in Appendices I and II</i>	R. Boles, North America H. de Boer, Alt. Europe
Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Standard nomenclature</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Conf. 12.8 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species</i>	B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa
Conf. 13.2 (Rev. CoP14)	<i>Sustainable use of biodiversity: Addis Ababa Principles and Guidelines</i>	B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa
Conf. 14.3 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>CITES compliance procedures</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Conf. 14.4	<i>Cooperation between CITES and ITTO regarding trade in tropical timber</i>	B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa
Conf. 14.8 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Periodic Review of species included in Appendices I and II</i>	B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa
Conf. 16.5	<i>Cooperation with the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation of the Convention on Biological Diversity</i>	D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair N. Smyth, Europe H. Benitez Díaz, Alt. North America
Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17)	<i>Non-detriment findings</i>	D. Wolf, Alt. Europe All members
Conf. 16.10	<i>Implementation of the Convention for agarwood-producing taxa</i>	Y. Zheng, Asia T.D. Atikah, Asia
Conf. 18.2	<i>Establishment of Committees</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Conf. 18.3	<i>CITES Strategic Vision: 2021-2030</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair
Conf. 18.4	<i>Cooperation with the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services</i>	H. Benitez Díaz, Alt. North America All members

Conf. 18.6	<i>Designation and role of Management Authorities</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Conf. 19.1	<i>Financing and the costed programme of work for the Secretariat for the triennium 2023-2025</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Conf. 19.2	<i>Capacity-building</i>	D. Wolf, Alt. Europe y. Zhang, Asia B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa
Conf. 19.4	<i>Materials for the identification of specimens of CITES-listed species</i>	H. de Boer, Alt. Europe K.Y. Chong, Alt. Asia

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DECISIONS DIRECTED TO THE PLANTS COMMITTEE
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Decisions	Title	PC lead
Administrative and financial matters		
Decision 19.2	<i>Emerging operational issues of the committees</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Strategic matters		
Decision 19.12	<i>CITES Strategic Vision</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair R. Boles, North America
Decision 19.16	<i>Role of CITES in reducing risk of future zoonotic disease emergence associated with international wildlife trade</i>	Z. Yan, Asia
Decision 19.20	<i>Cooperation with Multilateral Environmental Agreements and other international organizations</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Decision 19.22	<i>Cooperation with the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation</i>	D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair N. Smyth, Europe H. Benitez Díaz, Alt. North America
Decision 19.28	<i>IPBES Report on the Assessment of the Sustainable Use of Wild Species</i>	H. Benitez Díaz, Alt. North America All members
Decision 19.31	<i>World Wildlife Trade Report</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Decision 19.33	<i>CITES and forests</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa All members
Capacity building		
Decision 19.42	<i>Capacity-building</i>	D. Wolf, Alt. Europe Y. Zheng, Asia
Decision 19.47	<i>Country-wide Review of Significant Trade</i>	C.P. Balama, Africa N. Smyth, Europe

Decisions	Title	PC lead
Decision 19.50	<i>CITES Tree Species Programme</i>	C.A. Beltetón Chacón, Central South America and the Caribbean F.R. Núñez Neyra, Central South America and the Caribbean A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa
Illegal trade and enforcement		
Decision 18.90 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Wildlife crime enforcement support in West and Central Africa</i>	D. Wolf, Alt. Europe B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa
Regulation of trade		
Decision 19.133	<i>Non-detriment findings</i>	D. Wolf, Alt. Europe B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa All members
Decision 19.142	<i>Materials for the identification of specimens of CITES-listed species</i>	N. Smyth, Europe H. de Boer, Alt. Europe
Decisions 19.145 and 19.147	<i>Identification of timber and other wood products</i>	C.P. Balama, Africa H. de Boer, Alt. Europe K. Y. Chong, Alt. Asia
Decision 19.158	<i>Transport of live specimens</i>	U. Moser, Europe D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Decision 19.162	<i>Specimens produced through biotechnology</i>	Y. Zheng, Asia
Exemptions and special trade provisions		
Decisions 19.179 and 19.180	<i>Review of CITES provisions related to trade in specimens of animals and plants not of wild source</i>	D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair T.D. Atikah, Asia
Decision 19.183	<i>Guidance on the term 'artificially propagated'</i>	D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair T.D. Atikah, Asia
Species conservation and trade		
Decision 19.185	<i>Assessment of Appendix-I listed species</i>	Y. Zheng, Asia U. Moser, Europe
Decision 19.187	<i>Identifying information on species at risk of extinction affected by international trade</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair Y. Zheng, Asia N. Smyth, Europe R. Boles, North America
Flora		
Decision 19.239	<i>Agarwood-producing taxa (Aquilaria spp. and Gyrinops spp.)</i>	T.D. Atikah, Asia S. Tongdonae, Alt. Asia
Decision 19.242	<i>Boswellia spp.</i>	U. Moser, Europe N. Smyth, Europe B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa
Decision 19.244	<i>Rosewood tree species [Leguminosae (Fabaceae)]</i>	D. Wolf, Alt. Europe U. Moser, Europe T.D. Atikah, Asia

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Decision 19.247	<i>Products containing specimens of Appendix II orchids (Orchidaceae spp.)</i>	U. Moser, Europe N. Smyth, Europe H. de Boer, Alt. Europe S. Tongdonae, Alt. Asia
Decision 19.250	<i>Brazil wood (Paubrasilia echinata)</i>	C.A. Beltetón Chacón, Central South America and the Caribbean
Decision 19.254	<i>African tree species</i>	C.P. Balama, Africa B.J. Lagarde, Alt. Africa Z. Ouahid, Alt. Africa
Decision 19.257	<i>Neotropical tree species</i>	F.R. Núñez Neyra, Central South America and the Caribbean C.A. Beltetón Chacón, Central South America and the Caribbean
Decision 19.263	<i>Trade in medicinal and aromatic plant species</i>	Y. Zheng, Asia U. Moser, Europe N. Smyth, Europe R. Boles, North America Z. Ouahid, Alt. Africa
Appendices of the Convention		
<u>Annotations</u>		
Decision 16.162 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Annotations</i>	R. Boles, North America H. de Boer, Alt. Europe
Decision 18.321 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Annotation #15</i>	R. Boles, North America H. de Boer, Alt. Europe
Decision 18.151 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Implications of the transfer of a species from one Appendix to another</i>	U. Moser, Europe D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Decision 18.317 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Information system for trade in specimens of CITES-listed tree species</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Decision 19.267	<i>Informal review mechanism for existing and proposed annotations</i>	A.F. Koumba Pambo, Africa, PC Chair D. Wrigley, Oceania, PC Vice-Chair
Decision 19.270	<i>Orchid specimens exempted through annotation #4 g)</i>	U. Moser, Europe N. Smyth, Europe Y. Zheng, Asia Z. Ouahid, Alt. Africa H. de Boer, Alt. Europe
Decision 18.325 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Annotation of Cape aloe (Aloe ferox)</i>	U. Moser, Europe R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
<u>Nomenclature matters</u>		
Decision 18.313 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Nomenclature of Appendix-III listings</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist

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Decision 19.272	<i>Higher taxon listings in the Appendices</i>	Y. Zheng, Asia U. Moser, Europe R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 19.274	<i>Development of a standardized global checklist of species</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
<u>Flora</u>		
Decisions 19.279 and 19.280	<i>Nomenclature for aloes (Aloe spp.)</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 18.306 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Cactaceae Checklist and its Supplement</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 18.308 (Rev. CoP19)	<i>Production of a CITES Checklist for Dalbergia spp.</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 19.282	<i>Nomenclature for Ebonies (Diospyros spp.) (populations of Madagascar)</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 19.283	<i>Standard nomenclature for Cumarus (Dipteryx spp.)</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 19.284	<i>Standard nomenclature for African mahoganies (Khaya spp.)</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 19.286	<i>Nomenclature of Appendix-II listed orchids (Orchidaceae spp.)</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 19.288	<i>Nomenclature for pachypodiums (Pachypodium spp.)</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 19.289	<i>Standard nomenclature for roseroots (Rhodiola spp.)</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist
Decision 19.291	<i>Nomenclature for Yews (Taxus spp.)</i>	R.R. Klopper, Nomenclature Specialist