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

Eighteenth meeting of the Plants Committee
Buenos Aires (Argentina), 17-21 March 2009

Adoption of the agenda and working programme

WORKING PROGRAMME
(provisional)

Tuesday 17 March 2009

09h00–10h30
1. Opening of the meeting
2. Rules of Procedure
3. Adoption of the agenda and working programme
   3.1 Agenda
   3.2 Working programme
3. Admission of observers

10h30–11h00 Break

11h00–12h30
6. Strategic planning: Progress report on the work programme of the Plants Committee
17. Preparation of the Chairman’s report for CoP15
8. Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species
   8.2 Evaluation of the Review of Significant Trade
   8.3 Overview of the species-based Review of Significant Trade
   8.4 Species selected following CoP14

12h30–14h30 Lunch

14h30–16h00
11. Annotations
   11.1 Cactaceae and Orchidaceae: merging and amendment of annotations #1 and #4
   11.2 Orchids: annotation for species included in Appendix II
   11.3 Review of trade in finished products for certain taxa
11.6 Tree species: annotations for species included in Appendices II and III

12. Exchange of herbarium specimens

16h00–16h30 Break

16h30–18h00 14. Non-detriment findings

14.1 International expert workshop on non-detriment findings

14.2 Report of the plants working groups in the International expert workshop on non-detriment findings

14.3 Timber species and Prunus africana

14.4 Medicinal plants

14.5 Agarwood-producing species

13. Timber issues

13.3 Progress on the implementation of the action plan for Cedrela odorata, Dalbergia retusa, D. granadillo and D. stevensonii – Report of the Secretariat

16. Proposals for possible consideration at CoP15

16.1 Proposals to amend the Appendices

16.1.3 Cedrela spp., Dalbergia retusa, D. granadillo and D. stevensonii

18. Nomenclatural matters

18.1 Revision and publication of CITES Appendices

18.2 Report of the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee

Establishment of working groups

**Wednesday 18 March 2009**

09h00–10h30 Agenda items 6, 17, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.6, 12, 13.3, 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 16.1.3, 18.1 and 18.2 – working groups

10h30–11h00 Break

11h00–12h30 Agenda items 6, 17, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.6, 12, 13.3, 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 16.1.3, 18.1 and 18.2 (continued) – working groups

12h30–14h30 Lunch

14h30–16h00 Agenda items 6, 17, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.6, 12, 13.3, 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 16.1.3, 18.1 and 18.2 (continued) – working groups

16h00–16h30 Break

16h30–18h00 Agenda items 6, 17, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.6, 12, 13.3, 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 16.1.3, 18.1 and 18.2 (continued) – working groups
Thursday 19 March 2009

09h00–10h30  13.  Timber issues
                          13.1  Bigleaf mahogany
                                         13.1.1  Progress on the implementation of the action plan for bigleaf mahogany – Report of the Secretariat
                                         13.1.2  Mahogany Working Group progress report
                          13.2  Progress report on the joint CITES-ITTO timber project

10h30–11h00  Break

11h00–12h30  13.  Timber issues (continued)
                          15.  Definition of non-timber forest products
                          16.  Proposals for possible consideration at CoP15
                                   16.1  Proposals to amend the Appendices
                                          16.1.1  Periodic review of plant species included in the CITES Appendices
                                          16.1.2  Review of succulent Euphorbia spp. in Appendix II
                                          16.1.4  Proposal to include Bulnesia sarmientoi in Appendix II

12h30–14h30  Lunch

14h30–16h00  16.  Proposals for possible consideration at CoP15
                                   16.2  Other proposals
                                          16.2.1  Certification and labelling of timber

16h00–16h30  Break

16h30–18h00  8.  Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species
                                   8.1  Progress report on the development of the Significant Trade online Management System
                                   8.5  Progress report on seven Asian species of medicinal plants
                                   9.  Review of the use of source code 'R'
                                   10.  Hybrids and cultivars under the Convention

Friday 20 March 2009

09h00–10h30  Agenda items 6, 17, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.6, 12, 13.3, 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 16.1.3, 18.1 and 18.2 (continued) – working group reports

10h30–11h00  Break

11h00–12h30  Agenda items 6, 17, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.6, 12, 13.3, 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 16.1.3, 18.1 and 18.2 (continued) – working group reports

12h30–14h30  Lunch
14h30–16h00   Agenda items 6, 17, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.6, 12, 13.3, 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 16.1.3, 18.1 and 18.2 (continued) – working group reports

5. Regional reports
   5.1 Africa
   5.2 Asia
   5.3 Central and South America and the Caribbean

16h00–16h30   Break

16h30–18h00   5. Regional reports (continued)
               5.4 Europe
               5.5 North America
               5.6 Oceania

16. Proposals to amend the Appendices for possible consideration at CoP15 (continued)

Saturday 21 March 2009

09h00–10h30   7. Cooperation
               7.1 Cooperation with other multilateral instruments
               7.2 Collaboration with the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation of the
                   Convention on Biological Diversity

11. Annotations
   11.4 Amendment of the annotation for Appendix-II orchids to exempt
       seed pods

10h30–11h00   Break

11h00–12h30   11. Annotations (continued)
               11.5 Clarification of the exemption for flanked seedlings of Appendix-I
                   orchids

13. Timber issues
   13.4 Inconsistent implementation of Appendix-III timber listings annotated
       to include only the national populations of the listing countries


12h30–14h30   Lunch

14h30–16h00   20. Time and venue of the 19th meeting of the Plants Committee
               21. Any other business
                   21.1 Trade in Agavaceae
                   21.2 Transport working group – Proceedings and plans

16h00–16h30   Break

16h30–18h00   22. Closing remarks