

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**

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| 09h00–10h30 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Opening of the meeting</li> <li>2. Rules of Procedure</li> <li>3. Adoption of the agenda and working programme               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3.1 Agenda</li> <li>3.2 Working programme</li> </ol> </li> <li>4. Admission of observers</li> </ol>  |
| 10h30–11h00 | Break  |
| 11h00–12h30 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Strategic planning: Progress report on the work programme of the Plants Committee</li> <li>17. Preparation of the Chairman's report for CoP15</li> <li>8. Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8.2 Evaluation of the Review of Significant Trade</li> <li>8.3 Overview of the species-based Review of Significant Trade</li> <li>8.4 Species selected following CoP14</li> </ol> </li> </ol> |
| 12h30–14h30 | Lunch  |
| 14h30–16h00 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. Annotations               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11.1 Cactaceae and Orchidaceae: merging and amendment of annotations #1 and #4</li> <li>11.2 Orchids: annotation for species included in Appendix II</li> <li>11.3 Review of trade in finished products for certain taxa</li> </ol> </li> </ol>  |

- 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 flaked 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
  19. Progress report on the Identification Manual
- 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