

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



Twenty-first meeting of the Plants Committee  
Veracruz (Mexico), 2-8 May 2014

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Opening of the meeting ..... (No document)

Participants were welcomed by Mr Hesiquio Benitez Diaz, on behalf of the Mexican CITES authorities, and by Mr David Morgan, Chief of the Scientific Services Team of the CITES Secretariat.

2. Election of the Chair and Vice-chair ..... (No document)

Ms Margarita África Clemente Muñoz (Europe) and Mr Hesiquio Benítez Diaz (North America) were elected by acclamation as Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively.

The Committee noted that no member present declared any financial interests that he or she considered called into question his or her impartiality, objectivity or independence regarding any subject on the agenda for the meeting.

3. Rules of Procedure ..... (PC21 Doc. 3)

With the incorporation of the changes detailed in paragraphs 6 and 7 of document PC21 Doc. 3, the Committee adopted the Rules of Procedure in the Annex of that document.

4. Adoption of the agenda and working programme

- 4.1 Agenda ..... (PC21 Doc. 4.1)

The Committee adopted the agenda in document APC21 Doc. 4.1.

- 4.2 Working programme ..... (PC21 Doc. 4.2)

The Committee adopted the working programme in document PC21 Doc. 4.2.

5. Admission of observers ..... (PC21 Doc. 5)

The Committee noted the list of observers provided in document PC21 Doc. 5.

6. Plants Committee strategic planning for 2013-2016 (CoP16-CoP17)

6.1 CITES Strategic Vision: 2008-2020 (Resolution Conf. 16.3) ..... (PC21 Doc. 6.1)

The Committee established a working group on agenda item 6.1 (PC21 WG1) with the following mandate:

Taking account of the information in documents PC21 Doc. 6.2 and PC21 Doc. 6.3:

- complete the table in the Annex to document PC21 Doc. 6.1 by indicating how the instructions directed to the Plants Committee, and the activities to be implemented by the Committee between CoP16 and CoP17 (2014-2016), contribute to the Goals and Objectives of the *CITES Strategic Vision: 2008-2020* in Resolution Conf. 16.3;
- review progress and achievements at the 22nd meeting of the Plants Committee; and
- consider how the Plants Committee could report on its contributions to the relevant Goals and Objectives of the *CITES Strategic Vision: 2008-2020* at the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, in the report by the Chair of the Plants Committee.

The membership of the working group was decided as follows:

Chair: PC Chair (Ms Clemente)

Members: All PC representatives, acting representatives and alternate representatives;

The Committee invited the United States of America to contribute to the work of working group PC21 WG1 by sharing a draft table showing how the Plants Committee supports the *CITES Strategic Vision: 2008-2020*.

6.2 Resolutions and Decisions directed to the Plants Committee ..... (PC21 Doc. 6.2)

The Committee noted document PC21 Doc. 6.2.

6.3 Plants Committee workplan ..... (PC21 Doc. 6.3)

The Committee agreed that the members present would finalize the Annex to document PC21 Doc. 6.3 and present it later in the meeting.