

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



Twenty-second meeting of the Plants Committee  
Tbilisi (Georgia), 19-23 October 2015

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

20. Periodic Review of species included in Appendices I and II [Resolution Conf. 14.8 (Rev. CoP16)]

20.3 Species review

20.3.3 Periodic review of *Sclerocactus* spp...... PC22 Doc. 20.3.3

and

21. Standard nomenclature [Resolution Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP16)]

21.1 Report of the specialist on botanical nomenclature ..... PC22 Doc. 21.1

21.2 Taxonomic problems with *Nardostachys* and its potential implications for trade data and control..... PC22 Doc. 21.2

21.3 Revised nomenclature for *Aloe* spp. ..... PC22 Doc. 21.3

21.4 Revised nomenclature for two species of Malagasy palms (Arecaceae) ..... PC22 Doc. 21.4

The Committee established a working group on nomenclature (agenda items 20.3.3, 21.1, 21.2, 21.3 and 21.4) with the following mandate:

Concerning item 20.3.3:

1. Consider the amendments proposed for the CITES species database, as well as the 3rd edition of the CITES Cactaceae Checklist, as reported in Table 2 of document 20.3.3.
2. Review the taxonomic and nomenclatural issue raised in paragraph 20 of this document, regarding *Sclerocactus erectocentrus* and *S. johansonii*.

Concerning item 21.1:

1. Consider the best means to ensure that the Parties have scientifically valid, accessible, up to date and practical standard references for species of orchids in trade.
2. Review progress on the revision of the Cactus Checklist, recommend experts from range States to liaise with the editor, and advise on the best means to ensure that a revised list be adopted with range States support by a meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

3. Note that the revised draft Cycad list has been prepared, circulated in hard copy, made accessible on the web, and make recommendations to ensure that Parties actively comment on the list.
4. Note progress being made on the checklist for *Dalbergia* and suggest means by which the production of a substantive checklist for *Diospyros* might be facilitated.
5. Consider the document prepared by South Africa on *Aloe* and recommend the best way forward to resolve the issues identified in a practical fashion.
6. Note and review the update on the taxonomic status of *Platymiscium pleiostachyum*.
7. Consider any other relevant issues raised by Parties and make recommendations on these to the Committee.

Concerning item 21.2:

Consider the inclusion of the synonym "*Nardostachys jatamansi* (D. Don) DC." and recommend appropriate action to the Committee so that the checklists be updated accordingly in order to ensure that management authorities are able to accurately regulate all specimens in international trade.

Concerning item 21.3:

Consider actions in paragraph 4 and 6 of this report and recommend appropriate action to the Committee.

Concerning item 21.4:

1. Evaluate the nomenclature changes requested by this document and provide guidance on further action needed.
2. Start preparing the Nomenclature specialist's report to the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

The membership was decided as follows:

- Chair: The specialist on botanical nomenclature of the Plants Committee (Mr. McGough);
- PC members: Representatives of Africa (Mr. Luke), Central and South America and the Caribbean (Ms. Rivera), Europe (Mr. Sajevo) and Oceania (Mr. Leach);
- Parties: Austria, China, Germany, Mexico, Poland, South Africa, Switzerland, Thailand, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America;
- IGOs and NGOs: UNEP-WCMC, IUCN and Società Botanica Italiana.

22. Proposals for possible consideration at CoP17

22.1 Amendment of the annotation for Appendix-II orchids to exempt finished products package and ready for retail trade which contain components of Appendix-II orchids..... PC22 Doc. 22.1

The Committee established a working group on annotations for Appendix-II orchids (agenda item 22.1) with the following mandate:

To draft the terms of reference for an intersessional working group of the Plants Committee on annotations for Appendix-II orchids addressing, *inter alia*, the relationship between the Plants Committee's intersessional working group on annotations for Appendix-II orchids and the Standing Committee's Working Group on annotations.

The membership was decided as follows:

Chair: Representative of North America (Mr. Benítez Díaz) and Switzerland (Ms. Moser);

PC members: Representative of Asia (Ms. Zhou);

Parties: Canada, China, Czech Republic, European Union, France, Italy, Latvia, Mexico, Netherlands, Republic of Korea, Slovakia, Sweden, Thailand, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America;

IGOs and NGOs: ITC, UNCTAD, UNEP-WCMC, IUCN, FTS Botanics, Species Survival Network, and TRAFFIC.