

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



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Strategic matters

Animals Committee strategic planning for 2013-2016 (CoP16-CoP17)

ANIMALS COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

1. This document has been prepared by the interim Chair of the Animals Committee*.
2. The Annex to this document contains the list of the instructions directed to the Animals Committee, or that may require that it be consulted or informed, that can be found in the currently valid Resolutions and Decisions of the Conference of the Parties. For ease of reference, and similar to meeting agendas of the Animals Committee, they are grouped under: Administrative matters; Strategic matters; Interpretation and implementation of the Convention; Amendments of the Appendices; and Regional matters. The full text of these instructions is presented in document AC27 Doc. 6.1.
3. The interim Chair of the Animals 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 Animals Committee identified a lead for each of the instructions as part of its workplan for 2013-2016, as shown in the Annex to this document.

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ANIMALS COMMITTEE PLANNING 2013-2016

RESOLUTIONS WITH INSTRUCTIONS DIRECTED OR RELEVANT TO THE ANIMALS COMMITTEE

Resolution	Title	AC lead
Administrative matters		
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP16)	Establishment of Committees	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Conf. 16.2	Financing and the costed programme of work for the Secretariat for the biennium 2014-2016	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Strategic matters		
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP16)	Establishment of Committees	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Conf. 16.7	Non-detriment findings	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Interpretation and implementation of the Convention		
<u>Compliance and enforcement</u>		
Conf. 12.8 (Rev. CoP13)	Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species	R. Gnam, North America and V. Fleming, Europe, AC Vice-Chair
Conf. 14.3	CITES compliance procedures	C. Caceres, AC Chair
<u>Trade controls and marking</u>		
Conf. 8.13 (Rev.)	Use of coded-microchip implants for marking live animals in trade	M. Lörtscher, Europe
Conf. 10.21 (Rev. CoP16)	Transport of live specimens	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP16)	Establishment of Committees	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Conf. 11.12 (Rev. CoP15)	Universal tagging system for the identification of crocodylian skins	P.Ouboter, Central and South America and the Caribbean
Conf. 11.19 (Rev. CoP16)	Identification Manual	H. Robertson, Oceania
<u>Exemptions and special trade provisions</u>		
Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP15)	Registration of operations that breed Appendix-I animal species in captivity for commercial purposes	C. Caceres, AC Chair
<u>Species trade and conservation</u>		
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP16)	Establishment of Committees	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Conf. 12.6 (Rev. CoP16)	Conservation and management of sharks	H. Robertson, Oceania and N. Ishii, Asia
Conf. 12.7 (Rev.CoP16)	Conservation of and trade in sturgeons and paddlefish	C. Caceres, AC Chair and S. Khamdan, Asia
Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP16)	Standard nomenclature	U. Grimm, Nomenclature Specialist
Conf. 13.4 (Rev. CoP16)	Conservation of and trade in great apes	S. Soemorumekso, Asia and H. Madzikanda, Africa

Resolution	Title	AC lead
Amendments of the Appendices		
Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP16)	Criteria for amendment of Appendices I and II	V. Fleming, Europe, AC Vice-Chair
Conf. 9.25 (Rev. CoP16)	Inclusion of species in Appendix III	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Conf. 11.1 (Rev. CoP16)	Establishment of Committees	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Conf. 11.16 (Rev. CoP15)	Ranching and trade in ranched specimens of species transferred from Appendix I to Appendix II	M. Calvar, Central and South America and the Caribbean
Conf. 14.8 (Rev. CoP16)	Periodic Review of the Appendices	C. Caceres, AC Chair and S. Kasiki, Africa
Regional matters		
Conf. 11.1 (Rev. CoP16)	Establishment of Committees	All AC members fulfilling their duties as regional representatives

DECISIONS DIRECTED TO THE ANIMALS COMMITTEE OR THAT MAY REQUIRE ITS INPUT

Decision	Title	AC Lead
Administrative matters		
16.9, 16.10	Potential conflict of interest in the Animals and Plants Committees	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Strategic matters		
16.15	Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)	C. Caceres, AC Chair
16.29	Capacity-building	P.Ouboter, Central and South America and the Caribbean and S Khamdan, Asia
Interpretation and implementation of the Convention		
<u>Compliance and enforcement</u>		
16.45	Review of reporting requirements	M. Lörtscher, Europe
13.67 (Rev. CoP14)	Review of Significant Trade	R. Gnam, North America and V. Fleming, Europe, AC Vice-Chair
<u>Trade controls and marking</u>		
15.64	Identification of CITES-listed corals in trade	S. Soemorumekso, Asia and U. Grimm, Nomenclature Specialist
16.59	Identification Manual	H. Robertson, Oceania
16.137	Sturgeons and paddlefish (Acipenseriformes spp.)	C. Caceres, AC Chair and S Khamdan, Asia

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<u>Exemptions and special trade provisions</u>		
15.53	Production systems for specimens of CITES-listed species	C. Caceres, AC Chair
16.65	Implementation of the Convention relating to captive-bred and ranched	V. Fleming, Europe, AC Vice-Chair and M. Calvar, Central and South America and the Caribbean
<u>Species trade and conservation</u>		
16.67	Great Apes (Hominidae spp.)	S. Soemorumekso, Asia and H. Madzikanda, Africa
16.72	Illegal trade in cheetahs (<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>)	H. Madzikanda, Africa and S. Khamdan, Asia
16.103, 16.104	Snake trade and conservation management (Serpentes spp.)	M. Lörtscher, Europe and S. Soemorumekso, Asia
16.111, 16.124	Tortoises and freshwater turtles (Testudines spp.)	C. Caceres, AC Chair and S. Soemorumekso, Asia
16.131, 16.132	Freshwater stingrays (Potamotrygonidae spp.)	M. Calvar, Central and South America and the Caribbean
16.149	Bushmeat	C. Caceres, AC Chair
Amendments of the Appendices		
14.81	Great whales	C. Caceres, AC Chair
13.93 (Rev. CoP16)	Review of the Appendices: Felidae	C. Caceres, AC Chair
16.125, 16.126	Roti Island snake-necked turtle (<i>Chelodina mccordi</i>)	C. Caceres, AC Chair
16.162	Annotations	C. Caceres, AC Chair
16.164	Extinct or possibly extinct species	V. Fleming, Europe, AC Vice-Chair