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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

6 – * p.m. 5th meeting Plenary Hall

1. Review of the implementation of the Convention and The Strategy: [2]
 - (a) Report of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention on its eleventh session;

Action on draft proposal contained in document ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.10
 - (b) Multi-year workplans of the Convention institutions and subsidiary bodies;

Action on draft proposal contained in document ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.12
2. Improving the procedures for communication of information as well as the quality and format of reports to be submitted to the Conference of the Parties: [3]
 - (b) Consideration of best practices in the implementation of the Convention:
 - (i) Promoting the analysis and dissemination of best practices;
 - (ii) Accessibility of best practices.
Action on draft proposal contained in document ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.9
3. Collaboration with the Global Environment Facility: [5]
 - (a) Report by the Global Environment Facility on its strategies, programmes and projects for financing the agreed incremental costs of activities concerning desertification;
 - (b) Memorandum of Understanding between the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and the Global Environment Facility.

Action on draft proposal contained in document ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.11
4. Adoption of the report of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention [7]

5. Election of officers other than the Chair of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention [8]

Closure of the session

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

* p.m. 5th meeting Plenary Hall

1. The 10-year strategic plan and framework to enhance the implementation of the Convention (2008–2018) (The Strategy) [7]
 - (a) Review of the report of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention, including its recommendations to the Conference of the Parties
 - (d) Improving mechanisms to facilitate regional coordination of the implementation of the Convention

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.4
2. Governance and institutional arrangements of the Global Mechanism, including recommendations on the new housing arrangements of the Global Mechanism [8]

Action on draft proposal
3. Programme and budget [9]
 - (a) Programme and budget for the biennium 2014 –2015
 - (b) Financial performance for the Convention trust funds

Action on draft proposals
4. Follow-up to the outcomes of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20) [10]

Action on draft proposal
5. Revised procedures for the accreditation of civil society organizations and representatives from the private sector to the Conference of the Parties and their participation in meetings and processes of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification [12]

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.12
6. Programme of work for the twelfth session of the Conference of the Parties. [17]

Action on draft proposal

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

* p.m. 10th meeting Plenary Hall

1. Election of officers other than the President: [3]
 - (b) Election of the Chair of the Committee on Science and Technology
 - (c) Election of the Chair of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention
2. Credentials of delegations [4]

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.____
3. Accreditation of intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations and the private sector [5]

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.____
4. Maintenance of the roster of experts and creation, as necessary, of ad hoc panels of experts [6]

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.____
5. The 10-year strategic plan and framework to enhance the implementation of the Convention (2008–2018) (The Strategy) [7]
 - (a) Review of the report of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention, including its recommendations to the Conference of the Parties
 - (c) Independent mid-term evaluation of The Strategy
 - (d) Improving mechanisms to facilitate regional coordination of the implementation of the Convention
 - (e) Alignment of action programmes with The Strategy

Action on draft decisions
6. Governance and institutional arrangements of the Global Mechanism, including recommendations on the new housing arrangements of the Global Mechanism [8]

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.____
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 - (a) Programme and budget for the biennium 2014-2015
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Action on draft decisions

8. Follow-up to the outcomes of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20) [10]
Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.____
9. Collaboration with the Global Environment Facility: amendment of the memorandum of understanding between the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and the Global Environment Facility on enhanced collaboration [11]
Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.____
10. Revised procedures for the accreditation of civil society organizations and representatives from the private sector to the Conference of the Parties and their participation in meetings and processes of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification [12]
Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.12
11. Outstanding items [13]
 - (b) Procedures and institutional mechanisms for the resolution of questions on implementation
 - (c) Annexes containing arbitration and conciliation procedures*Action on draft decisions*
12. Inclusion of activities of civil society organizations within the official programme of work of the Conference of the Parties: open dialogue sessions [15]
Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.7
13. Special segment: interactive dialogue session [16]
Action on draft decisions ICCD/COP(11)/L.5 and ICCD/COP(11)/L.8
14. Programme of work for the twelfth session of the Conference of the Parties [17]
Action on draft decisions ICCD/COP(11)/L.6 and ICCD/COP(11)/L.9
15. Report on the session [18]
Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.11
16. Conclusion of the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

The designations employed do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification.

8:30 – 9:45 a.m.	GROUP OF AFRICAN STATES <i>Closed meeting</i>	Main Committee Room
9 – 9:45 a.m.	GROUP OF ASIAN STATES <i>Closed meeting</i>	MET-09
8:30 – 9:45 a.m.	GROUP OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN STATES <i>Closed meeting</i>	MET-01
9 – 9:45 a.m.	JUSSCANNZ <i>Closed meeting</i>	MET-10

OTHER MEETINGS

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4 – 5 p.m.	Meeting of the Regional Implementation Annex for Central and Eastern Europe (Annex V)	MET-05
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3 – 4 p.m.	COP Bureau meeting (closed meeting)	MET-03
10 a.m. – 1 p.m. and 3 – 6 p.m.	COW Contact Group on non-budget matters (closed meeting)	MET-04
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	COW Contact Group on the budget (closed meeting)	MET-03
10 a.m. – *	Informal open-ended drafting group on Rio+20 follow-up (closed meeting)	MET-01

1 – 2 p.m.	Press Conference: ELD Initiative	MET-03
2 – 2:30 p.m.	Press Conference: Closing of the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 11)	MET-03
9 – 9:45 a.m.	Civil society organizations	MET-08

SIDE EVENTS

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification.

1 – 3 p.m.	Pilot projects in the countries most affected by drought and desertification in Africa and the role of Traditional knowledge in combating desertification and poverty (Ministry of Environment, Territory and Sea of Italy)	MET-06
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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 26 September 2013

COMMITTEE FOR THE REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION TO COMBAT DESERTIFICATION

4th meeting	Review of the implementation of the Convention and The Strategy [2] (a) <i>Report of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention on its eleventh session</i> The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item. <i>Action on draft decision entitled “Strengthening and enhancing the process of alignment and implementation of action programmes with The Strategy” (ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.1)</i>
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A statement of programme budget implications in connection with the draft decision was made by a representative of the UNCCD secretariat.

A statement was made by the representative of Algeria.

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision entitled “Assessment of the implementation of the Convention against strategic objectives 1, 2 and 3” (ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.3)

A statement was made by the representative of the UNCCD secretariat.

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision entitled “Assessment of the implementation of the Convention against the operational objectives of The Strategy” (ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.8)

A statement was made by the representative of the UNCCD secretariat.

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Review of the implementation of the Convention and The Strategy: [2]

(a) Report of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention on its eleventh session

Improving the procedures for communication of information as well as the quality and format of reports to be submitted to the Conference of the Parties: [3]

(a) Consideration of the overall report on the fourth reporting and review process

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-items.

Action on draft decision entitled “The iterative process relating to the assessment of implementation, including performance and progress indicators, methodology and reporting procedures” (ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.7)

A statement of programme budget implications in connection with the draft decision was made by a representative of the UNCCD secretariat.

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Promotion and strengthening of relationships with other relevant conventions and international organizations, institutions and agencies [4]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item

Action on draft decision entitled “Ways of promoting and strengthening relationships with other relevant conventions and international organizations, institutions and agencies” (ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.2)

A statement of programme budget implications in connection with the draft decision was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat.

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 4.

Programme of work for the thirteenth session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention [6]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft decision entitled “Programme of work for the thirteenth session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention” (ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.5)

A statement of programme budget implications in connection with the draft decision was made by the representative of the UNCCD secretariat.

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision entitled “Date and venue of the thirteenth session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention” (ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.6)

A statement was made by the representative of the UNCCD secretariat.

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 6.

Additional procedures or institutional mechanisms to assist the Conference of the Parties in regularly reviewing the implementation of the Convention.

Action on draft decision entitled “Additional procedures or institutional mechanisms to assist the Conference of the Parties in regularly reviewing the implementation of the Convention” (ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.4)

A statement was made by the representative of the UNCCD secretariat.

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chair of the Committee.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

4th meeting. The Chair of the Committee (Bhutan) opened the meeting and made a statement.

The 10-year strategic plan and framework to enhance the implementation of the Convention (2008–2018) (The Strategy) [7]

(a) Review of the report of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention, including its recommendations to the Conference of the Parties

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and heard the report of the Chair of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention on matters relating to sub-items (c), “Independent mid-term evaluation of The Strategy” and (e), “Alignment of action programmes with The Strategy” of agenda item 7.

(b) Review of progress in the implementation of the comprehensive communication strategy

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.3

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat with regard to programme budget implications of the draft decision.

The Committee adopted the draft decision and recommended it to the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties for adoption.

Outstanding items. [13]

(a) Rule 47 of the rules of procedure

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.1

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat.

The Committee adopted the draft decision and recommended it to the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties for adoption.

The United Nations Decade for Deserts and the Fight against Desertification (2010-2020). [14]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.2

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat.

The Committee adopted the draft decision and recommended it to the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties for adoption.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chair (Bhutan).

A statement was made by the Secretary.

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

9th meeting. The Vice-President of the Conference (Burkina Faso) opened the meeting and made a statement.

The 10-year strategic plan and framework to enhance the implementation of the Convention (2008–2018) (The Strategy). [7]

(a) Review of the report of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention, including its recommendations to the Conference of the Parties

The Conference resumed its consideration of the sub-item and heard the report of the Chair of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention (United States) on progress in the work of the 12th session of the Committee.

Action on draft decisions recommended by the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention at its 12th session

Action on draft decision ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.1

A statement was made by the Vice-President.

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat with regard to programme budget implications of the draft decision.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.2

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat with regard to programme budget implications of the draft decision.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.3

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.4

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.5

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat with regard to programme budget implications of the draft decision.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.6

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.7

A statement was made by the Vice-President.

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat with regard to programme budget implications of the draft decision.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision ICCD/CRIC(12)/L.8

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Report on the session [18]

The Conference began its consideration of the item and heard the report of the Chair of the Committee of the Whole (Bhutan) on progress in the work of the Committee on the agenda items allocated to it by the Conference.

The 10-year strategic plan and framework to enhance the implementation of the Convention (2008–2018) (The Strategy) [7]

(b) Review of progress in the implementation of the comprehensive communication strategy

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.3

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat with regard to programme budget implications of the draft decision.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Outstanding items [13]

(a) Rule 47 of the rules of procedure

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.1

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

The United Nations Decade for Deserts and the Fight against Desertification (2010–2020) [14]

Action on draft decision ICCD/COP(11)/L.2

A statement was made by a representative of the UNCCD Secretariat.

The Conference adopted the draft decision.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-President of the Conference (Burkina Faso).

A statement was made by the Secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTRIBUTING TO CLIMATE NEUTRALITY OF COP 11 IN NAMIBIA

All delegates can make their individual contribution to enhance the climate neutrality of COP 11 through a simple offsetting programme developed by the Desert Research Foundation of Namibia (DRFN) for the host country with the endorsement of the UNCCD secretariat.

Delegates can simply visit the Offsetting Booth at the entrance area of the Windhoek Country Club, identify on a map where they have travelled from and contribute according to an easy to read map. All payments can be made in Namibian Dollars, US Dollars and Euro.

All money collected will go directly into providing Pico Solar Home Systems to the families of Namibian students in order to decrease their carbon footprint and allow them additional study time at night. In order to keep this initiative as simple and paper-free as possible, participating delegates will be issued a receipt on the spot and will later receive an e-mail acknowledgement of their contribution and some additional information about the project.

REGISTRATION

Registration for delegations of country Parties, United Nations organizations, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and media, as well as for participants in side events will take place on Friday, 27 September 2013, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Identity badges will be issued at the time of registration, and participants are requested to wear them at all times, as access to the session venue will be granted only to holders of conference badges. However, identity badges are not required to enter the Exhibition area.

Fax number at the registration area is: 088 655 1217 and e-mail address is: secretariat@unccd.int.

CREDENTIALS

Delegations are advised to contact Mr. Gerardo Gúnera-Lazzaroni, Legal and Quality Control Officer, Office 1F/006, telephone +264811614856.

FUNDING FOR ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS

Formalities relating to funding for eligible participants will be carried out in the DSA payment office in the Lobby, as per the following schedule:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>
27 September	Friday	12 a.m. – 3 p.m.

DSA vouchers can only be cashed at the bank office located inside the conference venue, room Oryx 7. PLEASE NOTE THAT DSA PAYMENT VOUCHERS ARE ONLY VALID UNTIL 2 P.M. FRIDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2013.

SHUTTLE SERVICE

Please note that the time schedule of the shuttle service has been extended. The last shuttle will leave the conference premises at midnight.

WORKING HOURS

Official meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. Meetings of regional and interest groups, as well as side events, may be held only outside these hours.

MEETING ROOMS FOR REGIONAL AND INTEREST GROUPS

Requests for inclusion in the schedule of meetings of regional and interest groups should be communicated to Kayhan Ul (kul@unccd.int) in office 2F/085 (Phone:+264811614872) by 3 p.m. of the previous day, at the latest.

EXHIBITION AREA

Interested parties are kindly invited to visit the exhibition area with stands from local and international organizations, various country Parties and a variety of civil society organizations working in fields related to Sustainable Land Management. The info stands offer documentation, reading materials and other hand-outs.

Also in the exhibition area are the stands of the UNCCD secretariat, the Global Mechanism and the UNCCD Capacity Building Marketplace, which you can try out. Share your ideas for the Marketplace and you can win one of the exclusive Marketplace umbrellas!

The exhibition area is located in Marquee 1, which can be reached outside the registration area by taking the path to the left hand side. Along the same path you will find a crafts market with products of small businesses from all regions of Namibia.

STATEMENTS OF DELEGATIONS

By its latest legislation, namely General Assembly resolution 64/230 on the Pattern of Conferences and the report of the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly (document A/64/580), the General Assembly reiterates its request to ensure the provision of high quality conference services to member States and other participants in official United Nations meetings.

In the interest of the smooth running of the meetings, participants need to maintain a normal speed whenever delivering speeches or making statements, so that the provision of the required high quality simultaneous interpretation services can be achieved to the entire satisfaction of all concerned.

Delegations are requested to provide 20 copies of their statements to the Conference Officers in the Plenary Hall, and an additional 250 copies if the statement is to be made available to all delegations. It is proposed that a five-minute time limit be set for these statements.

ELECTRONIC INFORMATION SERVICE

Delegations are advised that official information on COP 11 can be found on the UNCCD website at <<http://www.unccd.int>>. The electronic versions of the Daily Journal, the provisional list of participants, press releases and other information will be made available on the website.

COPOUT

A digital event guide is available for COP 11 - called COPOut. It comprises a comprehensive schedule of all official side events, a list of speakers and other useful information about COP 11. To download COPOut go to <<http://myevent.quickmobile.mobi>> from your mobile phone and select event key: DRFN.

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