



**15th meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
to the Convention on Wetlands**

**“Protecting wetlands for our common future”
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Provisional agenda

	Agenda item	Document
1.	Opening of the meeting	
	1.1 Opening statements	No document
Procedural matters		
2.	Election of the President and Vice-Presidents and remarks by the President	No document
3.	Adoption of the provisional agenda and working programme	
	3.1 Provisional agenda	COP15 Doc.3.1
	3.2 Provisional working programme	COP15 Doc.3.2
4.	Adoption of the Rules of Procedure	COP15 Doc.4
5.	Appointment of the Credentials Committee and any other committees	No document
6.	Admission of observers	COP15 Doc.6
Administrative matters		
7.	Report of the Chair of the Standing Committee	COP15 Doc.7
8.	Report of the Secretary General on the implementation of the Convention	
	8.1 Global implementation	COP15 Doc.8.1
	8.2 Work of the Secretariat	COP15 Doc.8.2
9.	Report of the Secretariat pursuant to Article 8.2 on the List of Wetlands of International Importance	COP15 Doc.9
10.	Report of the Chair of the CEPA ¹ Oversight Panel on implementation of the CEPA Programme 2016-2024	COP15 Doc.10
11.	Report of the Chair of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP)	COP15 Doc.11
12.	Report of the Secretariat on the Ramsar Regional Initiatives	COP15 Doc.12

¹ CEPA: Communication, capacity building, education, participation and awareness.

13.	Report of the Secretariat on enhancing decision-making procedures and maintaining effective operation of the Convention during exceptional circumstances ²		COP15 Doc.13
14.	Report of the Secretariat on assessment of progress on wetland restoration ³		COP15 Doc.14
15.	Report of the Secretariat on opportunities to further strengthen the Convention's contribution to the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals ⁴		COP15 Doc.15
16.	Report of the Secretariat on the implementation of Resolution XIV.20		COP15 Doc.16
17.	Report of the Secretariat on administrative and financial implications of draft resolutions		COP15 Doc.17
18.	Financial report for 2023-2025 of the Chair of the Subgroup on Finance of the Standing Committee, and proposed budget for the 2026-2028 triennium		COP15 Doc.18
19.	Election of Contracting Parties to the Standing Committee for 2025-2028		No document
20.	Wetland City Accreditation: Presentation of certificates		No document
21.	Ramsar Awards ceremony		No document
Draft resolutions			
22.	Consolidation of existing Resolutions		
	22.1	Consolidated Resolution on assessment of wetland values and services	COP15 Doc.22.1
	22.2	Consolidated Resolution on water, water-related and water-management-related matters	COP15 Doc.22.2
	22.3	Consolidated Resolution on inventories	COP15 Doc.22.3
23.	Consideration of the draft resolutions and recommendations submitted by Contracting Parties and the Standing Committee		
	23.1	Draft resolution on financial and budgetary matters	COP15 Doc.23.1
	23.2	Draft resolution on the responsibilities, roles and composition of the Standing Committee and regional categorization of countries under the Convention on Wetlands	COP15 Doc.23.2
	23.3	Draft resolution on the Strategic Plan of the Convention on Wetlands 2025-2034	COP15 Doc.23.3
	23.4	Draft resolution on enhancing the Convention's visibility and synergies with other multilateral environmental agreements and other international institutions	COP15 Doc.23.4
	23.5	Draft resolution on Ramsar Regional Initiatives	COP15 Doc.23.5
	23.6	Draft resolution on CEPA	COP15 Doc.23.6

² Pursuant to [Resolution XIV.3, paragraph 15](#).

³ Pursuant to [Resolution XIV.6, paragraph 35](#).

⁴ Pursuant to [Resolution XIV.6, paragraph 24](#).

23.7	Draft resolution on the status of Sites in the List of Wetlands of International Importance	COP15 Doc.23.7
23.8	Draft resolution on the process for recruiting a new Secretary General	COP15 Doc.23.8
23.9	Draft resolution on implementing the institutional strengthening of the Convention on Wetlands	COP15 Doc.23.9
23.10	Draft resolution on future implementation of scientific and technical aspects of the Convention 2025-2028	COP15 Doc.23.10
23.11	Draft resolution on establishment of the Waterbird Estimates Partnership and delivery of the 2027 edition of Waterbird Population Estimates	COP15 Doc.23.11
23.12	Draft resolution on application of Criteria 6 and 9 to new and existing Wetlands of International Importance	COP15 Doc.23.12
23.13	Draft resolution on [updates to] Ramsar Information Sheets	COP15 Doc.23.13
23.14	Draft resolution on strengthening action on culture and wetlands	COP15 Doc.23.14
23.15	Draft resolution on restoration of degraded freshwater ecosystems to support ecological character biodiversity and ecosystem services	COP15 Doc.23.15
23.16	Draft resolution on strengthening national actions for the conservation and restoration of waterbird flyways	COP15 Doc.23.16
23.17	Draft resolution on promoting incorporation of new technology and traditional knowledge in wetland conservation, restoration, management, and wise use	COP15 Doc.23.17
23.18	Draft resolution on achieving the equitable governance and effective conservation of wetlands as protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures (OECMs)	COP15 Doc.23.18
23.19	Draft resolution on youth empowerment and integration: driving engagement in and the longevity of the Convention on Wetlands	COP15 Doc.23.19
23.20	Draft resolution on promoting sustainable lifestyles for the wise use of wetlands	COP15 Doc.23.20
23.21	Draft resolution on recognition of river dolphins as key species for the conservation and sustainable use of wetlands in South America and Asia	COP15 Doc.23.21
23.22	Draft resolution on education and participation as a basis for the management of urban and peri-urban wetlands	COP15 Doc.23.22
23.23	Draft resolution on assessing pressures on and risks to wetlands	COP15 Doc.23.23
23.24	Amended draft resolution on the Ramsar List ⁵	COP15 Doc.23.24
23.25	Draft resolution on thanks to the host country, the Republic of Zimbabwe	COP15 Doc.23.25

⁵ Presented to COP14 as document COP14 Doc.18.16 Rev.1, and deferred to COP15 for its consideration.

Procedural matters		
24.	Report of the Credentials Committee	COP15 Doc.24
25.	Date and venue of the next ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties	No document
26.	Any other business	No document
27.	Adoption of the report of the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties	No document
28.	Close of the meeting	No document