

## **IPBES-6/3: Provisional agenda, date and venue of the seventh session of the Plenary**

*The Plenary,*

1. *Decides* that the seventh session of the Plenary will be held from Monday, 29 April 2019 to Saturday, 4 May 2019;
2. *Also decides* to accept with appreciation the offer by the Government of France to host the seventh session of the Plenary in Paris, subject to the successful conclusion of a host country agreement;
3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to hold consultations with the Government of France, to negotiate a host country agreement, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 40/243 and in compliance with the provisions of United Nations administrative instruction ST/AI/342, with a view to concluding and signing the host country agreement as soon as possible, to organize the seventh session of the Plenary in close collaboration with the host country and to invite the members and observers of the Platform to participate in the session;
4. *Invites* members in a position to do so to consider hosting the eighth session of the Plenary, which is scheduled to take place in 2020;
5. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, under the guidance of the Bureau, to consult members of the Platform that may, during the period leading up to the seventh session of the Plenary, offer to host the eighth session of the Plenary;
6. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Plenary at its seventh session on progress in the consultations referred to in paragraph 5 above, with a view to the adoption by the Plenary at that session of a decision on the date and venue of its eighth session;
7. *Takes note* of the draft preliminary agenda for the seventh session of the Plenary set out in the annex to the present decision;
8. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to invite members and observers that are allowed enhanced participation in accordance with decision IPBES-5/4, to provide, by 1 June 2018, written comments on the proposed organization of work of the seventh session of the Plenary;
9. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to finalize the proposed organization of work for the seventh session of the Plenary in line with comments received at the sixth session of the Plenary and written comments received in response to the invitation referred to in paragraph 8 of the present decision.

### **Annex to decision IPBES-6/3**

#### **Draft provisional agenda for the seventh session of the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services**

1. Opening of the session.
2. Organizational matters:
  - (a) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work;
  - (b) Status of the membership of the Platform;
  - (c) Election of members of the Bureau.
3. Admission of observers to the seventh session of the Plenary of the Platform.
4. Credentials of representatives.
5. Report of the Executive Secretary on the implementation of the work programme for the period 2014–2018.
6. Global assessment of biodiversity and ecosystem services.
7. Communication, stakeholder engagement and strategic partnerships.
8. Financial and budgetary arrangements for the Platform.

9. Review of the Platform.
  10. Second work programme of the Platform.
  11. Organization of the Plenary, dates and venues of future sessions of the Plenary.
  12. Institutional arrangements: United Nations collaborative partnership arrangements for the work of the Platform and its secretariat.
  13. Adoption of the decisions and report of the session.
  14. Closure of the session.
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