

Notification 2023/019

25 July 2023

NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

CMS COP14 CONFIRMATION OF DATES AND DEADLINES

Following notification 2023/018, the Secretariat confirms that the 14th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS COP14) will be held at the Silk Road Samarkand Conference Center in Samarkand, Uzbekistan, from **12 to 17 February 2024**.

The 54th Meeting of the Standing Committee (StC54) will be held on 11 February 2024 in the same location. A High-Level Segment and CMS Champions' Night will likely take place on 11 February 2024 too.

More details on these meetings and possible additional associated events that may take place during or prior to COP14 will follow in due course.

Registration

Parties, non-Parties and observers who have already registered for COP14 do not need to re-register. If any Parties, non-Parties or observers would like to cancel their registration, kindly contact the Secretariat at cms.secretariat@cms.int.

Registrations can be made through the registration website at [COP14 Registration](#).

Documents

The deadline for submitting documents with a scientific component has passed and has not been extended. All such documents are posted on the [CMS COP14 webpage](#). The comments and recommendations made by the 6th Meeting of the Sessional Committee of the Scientific Council (SC-ScC6), held from 18 to 21 July 2023, will be posted on the same page as soon as possible.

The deadline for submitting documents without a scientific component by Parties is now **14 November 2023**. The submission and posting deadlines are provided in the attached document. Parties are requested to submit all documents to the Secretariat at cms.secretariat@cms.int.

<http://www.cms.int/en/news/notifications>

Side events

Anyone interested in applying for a side event is kindly requested to inform the Secretariat by filling out the application form available here: <https://meetings.cms.int/meetings/SideEvents/registration> **no later than 30 September 2023.**

Side events should be relevant to the objectives of the Convention and preferably tied to subjects to be discussed as part of the COP14 agenda. The Secretariat will inform successful applicants after the indicated deadline on the time slot allocated for their event and provide them with further information.

Accommodation

The Secretariat is working with the Government of Uzbekistan on finalizing arrangements for booking rooms. Information will be provided as soon as it becomes available.

For further information, please contact the CMS Secretariat at cms.secretariat@cms.int

REVISED CMS COP 14 DOCUMENT TIMELINE

25 July 2023

Date	Days before COP ¹	Proposals to amend the Appendices	Resolutions and Decisions – with scientific element	Resolutions and Decisions – without scientific element	Other COP documents or milestones
18-21 July 2023	Approx 100	6th Meeting of the Sessional Committee of the Scientific Council (SC-ScC6) in Bonn, Germany ScC provides comments and recommendations on Proposals, and on Resolutions and Decisions with a scientific element.			
	asap after SC-ScC6		The Scientific Council (ScC) shall provide appropriate advice to the Standing Committee (StC) on such proposed Resolutions and Decisions (Rule 18.3). StC submits any comments on ScC comments to the Secretariat for posting by the 60-day deadline.		
Tuesday, November 14, 2023	90			Parties submit proposed Resolutions and Decisions that do not include a scientific element (Rule 18.2)	Parties submit other documents for inclusion as Conference Documents ²
Thursday, December 14, 2023	60	Any comments on the text [of proposed amendments] by the Parties shall be communicated to the Secretariat not less than 60 days before the COP begins (CMS Art XI, para 3)		Secretariat makes all remaining documents available to the Parties (Rule 18.4).	
Sunday, February 11, 2024	1	54th Meeting of the Standing Committee			
Monday, February 12, 2024	0	COP14 begins			
Saturday, February 17, 2024		COP14 closes. 55th Meeting of the Standing Committee			
Sunday, May 12, 2024	+90	Any Party may by notification in writing to the Depositary make a reservation with respect to the amendment (Art XI, para 6)			

¹ Where indicated, deadlines are derived from the Convention text or Rules of Procedure (ROP) adopted at COP12. Deadlines without a reference have been established by the Secretariat in order to ensure the timely production of documents.

² Documents include reports and other working documents. Any document received after this deadline can only be posted as Information Documents.