

### **Seventh Meeting of the Parties**

Virtual Meeting, 9 - 13 May 2022 (UTC+10)

## **Annotated Provisional Agenda**

Secretariat, MoP7 Vice-chair

Unless stated otherwise all meeting documents will be taken as read and will not be presented in full during the meeting.

	Agenda Item	<u>Documents</u>
1.	Official opening	
	1.1. Official opening and opening statements	
	An opening speech may be provided by [Australia TBC]. The Secretariat will inform delegates of administrative, technical and organisational matters.	
2.	Procedural issues	
	2.1. Adoption of Agenda	MoP7 Doc 01
	The Meeting is invited to review the provisional agenda, and to make any proposals for further amendments prior to the formal adoption of a meeting agenda. This annotated agenda includes items which have been open for comments in an online premeeting discussion document.	MoP7 Doc 02 Rev 1 MoP7 Doc 03 MoP7 Doc 04 MoP7 Doc 05
	Outcome: Adoption of the meeting agenda.	
	2.2. Amendments to the MoP Rules of Procedure	
	Ad hoc guidelines have been developed by the Secretariat for the MoP7 virtual meeting and presented to ACAP Parties by correspondence. They complement but do not replace the MoP Rules of Procedure.	
	2.2.1 Rules for intersessional process	MoP7 Doc 17
	Australia and the United Kingdom have prepared MoP7 Doc 17 proposing an amendment to the intersessional voting procedure in Rule 24 of the MoP Rules of Procedure.	
	Outcomes: Adoption of ad hoc guidelines for the MoP7 virtual meeting.	

	Adoption or rejection of the proposed amendment to the MoP Rules of Procedure. <b>Resolution 7.x</b> .	
	2.3. Establishment of Credentials Committee	
	Parties will be invited to nominate Members for a Credentials Committee consisting of three Representatives of the Parties.	
	<b>Outcome</b> : Establishment of a Credentials Committee to review the credentials submitted by Parties in accordance with Rule 5(3) of the MoP Rules of Procedure and the ad hoc meeting guidelines for MoP7.	
3.	Reports	
	3.1. Report of Credentials Committee	
	The Chair of the Credentials Committee will present a report on the outcome of the Committee's considerations.	
	<b>Outcome</b> : Endorsement of the findings of the Credentials Committee.	
	3.2. Report of the Depositary	MoP7 Doc 06
	Australia, as the Depositary for the Agreement, will provide an update on the status of the Agreement since the last MoP.	
	3.3. Reports of Observers	
	Reports by observers to the meeting will be provided by correspondence in advance of the meeting and discussed only if required.	
4.	Operation of the Secretariat	
	4.1. Report of the Secretariat	MoP7 Doc 07
	The Secretariat will report on its activities, including on implementation of the Secretariat Work Programme 2019 - 2022.	
	<b>Outcome</b> : Parties note progress on the activities undertaken during the reported quadrennium.	
	4.2. Secretariat Work Programme 2023 - 2025	MoP7 Doc 12
	Consideration by Parties of the proposed Secretariat Work Programme for 2023 - 2025.	
	Outcome: Adoption of the Secretariat Work Programme for the 2023 – 2025 triennium. <i>Resolution 7.x</i>	
	4.3. Review of Staff Regulations	MoP7 Doc 15
	Amendments to the ACAP Staff Regulations are proposed by the Secretariat and the Chair of the Advisory Committee.	

	<b>Outcome</b> : Adoption or rejection of proposed amendments to Staff Regulations. <i>Resolution 7.x</i>	
	4.4. Review of Financial Regulations	(MoP7 Doc 07)
	Items arising from the Report of the Secretariat and the Financial Report relevant to the Financial Regulations will be considered, as required.	(MoP7 Doc 08)
	<b>Outcome</b> : Parties to identify and propose followup on any issues relating to the Financial Regulations arising from the Secretariat Report and the Financial Report.	
	4.5. Executive Secretary Position	(MoP7 Doc 07)
	Parties to consider the possible renewal of the contract of the Executive Secretary and the establishment of a recruitment subcommittee for the next recruitment round.	
	<b>Outcome</b> : Decision on Executive Secretary contract and the establishment of a recruitment sub-committee.	
5.	Operation of the Meeting of the Parties	
	No papers have been submitted for consideration under this agenda item. Discussion only if required.	
6.	Operation of the Advisory Committee	
	6.1. Report of the Advisory Committee	MoP7 Doc 09
	The Advisory Committee Chair will present a report on the activities and outcomes of meetings of the Advisory Committee held since MoP6, with particular reference to progress under Article IX of the Agreement. This is a key item for discussion during the meeting.	
	6.1.1 RFMO Engagement Strategy	
	The RFMO Engagement Strategy is an activity in the Advisory Committee Work Programme. Australia proposed this as a specific agenda item. The latest version of the Strategy, endorsed by AC12, is published as <a href="SBWG10">SBWG10</a> Doc 07 Rev 1.	
	Outcome: Parties to consider any matters arising from the report	
	on the work of the Advisory Committee in 2019 - 2022.	
	6.2. Advisory Committee Work Programme 2023 - 2025	MoP7 Doc 11
	The Advisory Committee at its Twelfth Meeting discussed and endorsed a 2023 - 2025 Work Programme for the Advisory Committee and its Working Groups. Parties are requested to examine the proposed AC Work Programme.	
	Outcome: Adoption of the Advisory Committee Work Programme for 2023 - 2025. <u>Resolution 7.x</u>	

#### 7. Operation of the Agreement

#### 7.1. Report on Implementation of the Agreement

The Secretariat will present this document, compiled from reports provided to the Secretariat by Parties to the Agreement. This is a key item for discussion at the meeting.

**Outcome**: A discussion among Parties on the progress and challenges of implementing the Agreement.

#### 7.2. Criteria for listing and de-listing species in Annex 1

MoP7 Inf 02 provides a list of candidate species according to agreed taxonomy, sorted by suitability of species for inclusion on Annex 1 of the Agreement.

#### 7.3. Proposed amendment to Annex 1 - listing of new species

No proposals have been submitted by Parties for the listing of new species on Annex 1.

# 7.4. Identification of priority actions for conservation measures

The Secretariat will report on the update of the conservation priorities following the framework developed by the Agreement to address land-based and at-sea threats. This update is included within the Report on the Implementation of the Agreement.

**Outcome**: Endorsement of the list of priority actions to address atsea and land-based threats impacting ACAP-listed species.

#### 7.5. Indicators to measure the success of the Agreement

The Secretariat will report on ACAP indicators that assess the current status of breeding sites, population sizes, population trends, and the availability of tracking data. An update on the development of seabird bycatch and capacity building indicators will also be provided.

**Outcome**: Discussion on the status of ACAP species and the success of the Agreement to date based on ACAP's suite of indicators. Identification of further actions required to develop and report on ACAP indicators.

#### 7.6. Capacity building

Capacity building indicators are discussed in MoP7 Doc 16.

**Outcome:** Note capacity building initiatives undertaken in the last quadrennium and identify new initiatives for 2023 - 2025.

MoP7 Doc 10 Rev 1 MoP7 Inf 01 Rev 1

MoP7 Inf 02

MoP7 Doc 10 Rev 1

MoP7 Doc 16 Rev 1

MoP7 Doc 16 Rev 1

#### 7.7. Arrangements with other organisations

Information on progress is included in the Secretariat report.

**Outcome:** Welcome progress with arrangements with other organisations.

#### 7.8. Financial Report

The interim financial report for the 2022 financial year provides provisional information on progress to date. A final report is sent to Parties at the end of the financial year. Financial Regulation 11 requires that an external auditor be appointed at each ordinary Session of the Meeting of the Parties.

**Outcome:** Report noted. Meeting agrees to appoint the Government of Tasmania as the Agreement's external auditor in accordance with Financial Regulation 11.1.

#### 7.9. Agreement Budget 2023 - 2025

The Secretariat has prepared a draft 2023 - 2025 budget for the Agreement. Parties are requested to consider and adopt a budget for the 2023 - 2025 triennium. This is a key item for discussion.

**Outcome:** Adoption of the Agreement budget for 2023 - 2025. *Resolution 7.x* 

#### 7.10. Scale of Contributions

A scale of contributions for the 2023 - 2025 triennium is provided for the consideration of Parties. The scale of contributions has been developed in accordance with the principles agreed to by Parties at MoP3 and is based on the formula adopted by Parties at MoP4. This is a key item for discussion and a decision is essential.

**Outcome:** Adoption of a scale of contributions for the 2023 - 2025 triennium. *Resolution 7.x* 

#### 7.11. National Plans of Action

No papers have been submitted for consideration under this agenda item. Parties will have the opportunity to refer briefly to progress and actions taken relative to their National Plans of Action – Seabirds.

#### 7.12. Accession of non-Party Range States to the Agreement

The Secretariat Report contains as an annex information on the implementation of the Secretariat Work Programme, including liaison with potential Parties to the Agreement.

MoP7 Doc 07

MoP7 Doc 08

MoP7 Doc 13

MoP7 Doc 14

MoP7 Doc 07

	Outcome: Note progress with engagement on accession of non- Party Range States to the Agreement made during the quadrennium.
8.	Provisional date and venue of the Eighth Meeting of the Parties
	Offers are sought from Parties to host the Eighth Session of the Meeting of the Parties (MoP8).
9.	Other business
	9.1. Media release
	The Secretariat will prepare a media release at the conclusion of the meeting.
10.	Adoption of MoP7 Report
	Soon after the meeting a draft MoP7 report will be prepared and shared with participants for their comments. This process will be continued by correspondence for a second (and potentially third) draft, before the report is adopted by consensus. However, decisions and resolutions under each agenda item will be adopted after each agenda item and confirmed before the close of the meeting.
	Outcome: Key decisions agreed at meeting; all necessary resolutions adopted. Report adopted by correspondence after meeting.
11.	Closing remarks
	The meeting is expected to close on Friday, 13 May 2022, no later than 12:00 Hobart time (UTC+10).