

ADDENDUM 1

SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS
(arising from ScC-SC4)

CLIMATE CHANGE AND MIGRATORY SPECIES

UNEP/CMS/COP13/Doc.26.4.8

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP13

- The Scientific Council recommended to consider the comments below when finalizing the draft Decisions submitted in Annex to the document UNEP/CMS/COP13/Doc.26.4.8

GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT

- With reference to the proposals included in document UNEP/CMS/ScC-SC4/Doc.10.4.8.1, the Scientific Council supported
 - The convening of a workshop in 2020 to discuss adaptation in more detail and to consider in detail the ongoing implementation of the PoW.
 - The active participation by CMS in UNFCCC COP in 2020 as an opportunity to showcase the issue of the impact of Climate Change and Migratory Species and raise the profile of the convention on this matter.
- The Scientific Council recommended the development of project proposals to be submitted to major donors such as the Climate Fund to raise resources to implement elements of the Programme of Work on Climate Change and Migratory Species .

COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION

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- The level of reporting on implementation of Resolution 12.21 in National Reports submitted to COP13 is certainly disappointing. Developing further the guidance associate to the report for the relevant section of the template is suggested as a possible measure for eliciting more and better reports.
- Mining in other potential sources of information such as the reports submitted to UNFCCC could also allow to obtain relevant information without increasing the reporting burden on Parties.

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- It is doubtful whether the development of a separate questionnaire as a mean to elicit more and better reporting on the implementation of Res. 12.21 could produce significantly better results than the National Report template.

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- For consistency with what proposed for other draft Decisions addressed to the Scientific Council, it is recommended to change the working of the first part of the paragraph as follows: “The Scientific Council ~~should~~ is requested to provide advice...”
- The work mandated by the COP to the Scientific Council to provide advice on how the interpretation in para. 9 of Res. 12.21 could be turned into pragmatic good practice could be linked to the work on the definition of range states and vagrancy proposed in the context of consolidation of Res. 3.1 (Rev.COP12) and 11.33 (Rev.COP12).