



**AGREEMENT ON THE CONSERVATION
OF SMALL CETACEANS OF THE
BALTIC, NORTH EAST ATLANTIC,
IRISH AND NORTH SEAS**

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02 August 2026

30th MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Bonn, Germany, 1–3 September 2026
Agenda Item 1.2

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA AND SCHEDULE

(Prepared by the Secretariat)

SCHEDULE FOR ASCOBANS AC30

Time CEST	Tuesday, 1 September 2026	Wednesday, 2 September 2026	Thursday, 3 September 2026
09:30-11:00	1. Opening of the Meeting 1.1. Welcoming Remarks 1.2. Adoption of the Agenda 1.3. Rules of Procedure 2. Opening of the Scientific Session 3. Topics included in National Reports 3.1. Bycatch	4.4. Lesser-known Species 5. Hunting of Cetaceans 5.1. Drive hunt in the Faroe Islands 5.2. ASCOBANS Position on Use of Data Derived from Deliberately Killed Small Cetaceans	12. Adoption of the Action Points, Recommendations, and Decisions from the Scientific Session (cont.) 13. Close of the Scientific Session
11:00	Break 30min	Break 30min	Break 30min
11:30-13:00	3.1. Bycatch (cont.) 3.2. Resource Depletion 3.3. Marine Debris	6. Species Action Plans 6.1. Jastarnia Plan 6.2. Western Baltic Conservation Plan 6.3. North Sea Plan 6.4. Common Dolphin SAP	14. Opening of the Institutional Session 15. Status of Accession and Acceptance of the Agreement's Amendment 16. National Reporting Form 16.1. National Reporting Overlaps
13:00	Break 1h	Break 1h	Break 1h
14:00-15:30	3.1. Bycatch (cont.) 3.4. Surveys and Research 3.5. Use of Strandings Records	7. Relevant EU Policy Matters 8. Cooperation with other Bodies 8.1. Reports by the Sec, Parties & Partners 8.2. Dates of Interest 2025-2026 9. Publicity and Outreach	17. Financial and Administrative Issues 17.1. Administrative Issues 17.2. End-of-term Budget Report 2025 17.3. Mid-term Budget Report 2026 17.4. Activities Requiring Funding
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16:00-18:00	3.5. Use of Strandings Records (cont.) 3.6. Other 4. Reports back from other Working Groups 4.1. Shallow-water Mining and Small Cetaceans 4.2. Cetacean Culture 4.3. Marine Strategy Framework Directive	10. Work Plan: Overview of Implementation 11. Any Other Scientific Issues 12. Adoption of the Action Points, Recommendations, and Decisions from the Scientific Session	18. Any Other Institutional Issues 19. Adoption of the Action Points, Recommendations, and Decisions from the Institutional Session 20. Dates and Venue of AC31 21. Close of the Meeting

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DAY 1 – TUESDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER 2026

09:30-18:00 CEST

Time	Agenda Item	Related Work Plan Activity / AC Action Point	Documents	Expected Outcomes
09:00	<i>Registration will be open near the meeting room 1916, which is sign-posted at the venue. The venue is Langer Eugen building at the UN Campus, Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1, 53113 Bonn. Please bring your passport / national ID to gain access to the UN Campus via the front guard house.</i>			
09:30	1. Opening of the Meeting The meeting will be opened at 09:30 CEST on Tuesday 1 September 2026.			
	1.1. Welcoming Remarks Andy Raine, Executive Secretary of CMS and ASCOBANS, will give welcoming remarks.			
	1.2. Adoption of the Agenda Katarzyna Kamińska, Chair of the Advisory Committee (AC), will invite the meeting to review the Provisional Agenda and the Provisional Annotated Agenda and Schedule, and to make any proposals for amendment prior to their adoption. Late topics to be discussed under agenda item 11 and 18 (Any Other Scientific / Institutional Issues) may be suggested. The establishment of working groups may be proposed at this point or as the relevant item is discussed.	WPA50: Organize Advisory Committee Meetings as scheduled, with papers circulated one month in advance of the meetings.	Doc.1.2a/Rev.1 Provisional Agenda Doc.1.2b Provisional Annotated Agenda and Schedule Inf.1.2a List of Docs Inf.1.2b Provisional List of Participants Res.10.2/Rev.1 Work Plan 2025-2028	Agenda adopted. Working Groups established if needed.
	1.3. Rules of Procedure The Rules of Procedure for the ASCOBANS Advisory Committee, adopted at AC29 (2025), remain in force unless an amendment is called for.		Rules of Procedure for the AC	
	2. Opening of the Scientific Session			

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09:30	3. Review of New Information on Topics included in the National Reports The Secretariat will present an overview of the 'High-level Summary of Key Messages' submitted in the 2025 ASCOBANS National Reports. Topics for 2025 reporting were designated as per Resolution 10.1. Participants will be given the opportunity to present new information, in addition to what was submitted in the National Reports.	WPA71: Make full use of the information submitted in order to assess progress in the implementation of the Agreement and make recommendations to Parties. WPA70: Present to Parties, each year no later than 30 June, provided all reports have been received sufficiently in advance of that date, a compilation of Annual National Reports.	Inf.3 Summary Compilation of the 2025 National Reports NR.1-9 National Reports Res.10.1 National Reporting 2025-2028	Note taken. Action Points / Recommendations suggested.
	3.1. Bycatch The Secretariat will present a summary of the national reporting data. Participants will have the opportunity to present new information on the topic. Peter Evans , Co-Chair of the Joint Bycatch Working Group (JBWG) of ACCOBAMS and ASCOBANS, will present its report. The AC is requested to review and endorse the Recommendations from the 2 nd Meeting of the JBWG. Mr Evans will also present progress in work regarding conservation objectives. Anne-Marie Svoboda , the Netherlands, will present an update on the CIBBRiNA -project (Coordinated Development and Implementation of Best Practice in Bycatch Reduction in the North Atlantic, Baltic and Mediterranean Regions).	WPA9: Review new information on bycatch and associated strandings, bycatch mitigation and monitoring measures, including remote electronic monitoring and any further new techniques as well as local initiatives, and fisheries effort. Make recommendations to Parties and other relevant authorities for further action. WPA11: Continue to review ASCOBANS conservation objectives, and further develop a conservation management framework procedure. Make recommendations on appropriate triggers indicating when an environmental limit (the sum of all interactions within the environment that impact animals) is at risk of being reached or exceeded. AC29/AP14: The Secretariat to discuss with the ACCOBAMS Secretariat the process of Parties endorsing the recommendations from JBWG.	Doc.3.1a JBWG Report Doc.3.1b JBWG2 Recommendations Doc.3.1c Simulation Study NR.1-9 National Reports Res.8.5 (Rev.MOP9) Bycatch Res.5.5 and Res.3.3 Incidental Take of Small Cetaceans	Note taken. JBWG2 Recommendations endorsed. Feedback provided on the simulation study. Action Points / Recommendations suggested.
11:00	Break 30 min			
11:30	3.1. Bycatch (cont.)			
	3.2. Resource Depletion The Secretariat will present a summary of the national reporting data. Participants will have the opportunity to present new information on the topic.	WPA12: Review new information on resource depletion and its impacts on small cetacean populations. Make recommendations to Parties and other relevant authorities for further action.	NR.1-9 National Reports Inf.3.2 Starved Res.9.4 Food Availability and Resource Depletion	Note taken. Action Points / Recommendations suggested.

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	3.3. Marine Debris The Secretariat will present a summary of the national reporting data. Participants will have the opportunity to present new information on the topic.	WPA21: Review new information on marine debris (ingestion and entanglement), including microplastics, and its impacts on small cetaceans. Make recommendations to Parties and other relevant authorities for further action.	NR.1-9 National Reports	Note taken. Action Points / Recommendations suggested.
13:00	Break 1 hour			
14:00	3.1. Bycatch (cont.) Marie-Julie Roux , ICES, will present an up-to-date overview and ongoing developments with ICES bycatch advice.	WPA63: Seek to collaborate with the ICES WGBYC, STECF established by the EU, the Regional Coordination Groups, the IWC Bycatch Mitigation Initiative, and other relevant organizations addressing bycatch.		Note taken.
	3.4. Surveys and Research The Secretariat will present a summary of the national reporting data. Participants will have the opportunity to present new information on the topic. There will be an update on SAMBAH-II and CUMBIAH - projects. Eva Schotanus , Invited Expert, will present on spatiotemporal and demographic variability in body condition of North Sea harbour porpoises.	WPA31: Review new information on population size, distribution, structure, life-history parameters and causes of any changes in the ASCOBANS Area of populations of small cetaceans. Make appropriate recommendations to Parties and other relevant authorities. WPA32: Review new information on monitoring programmes relevant for small cetaceans, their prey and their habitat. Make recommendations to Parties and other relevant authorities for further action. WPA33: Review new information on dedicated surveys and other research relevant for small cetaceans, their prey and their habitat. Make recommendations to Parties and other relevant authorities for further action. WPA34: Develop a mechanism to structurally fund SAMBAH and SCANS surveys on a regular basis.	NR.1-9 National Reports	Note taken. Action Points / Recommendations suggested.
	3.5. Use of Strandings Records The Secretariat will present a summary of the national reporting data.	WPA36: Review new information on the establishment and functionality of stranding networks, particularly the European strandings database, especially with a view to facilitating liaison and skill-sharing.	NR.1-9 National Reports	

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	Participants will have the opportunity to present new information on the topic.	Make recommendations to Parties and other relevant authorities for further action.		
15:30	Break 30 min			
16:00	3.5. Use of Strandings Records (cont.) The Secretariat will present an update on the development of the European marine strandings database. Andrew Brownlow and Lonneke IJsseldijk , Co-Chairs of the Intersessional Working Group (IWG) on Unusual Mortality Events (UME) and Mass Strandings Events (MSEs), will present the progress report of the IWG. Lonneke IJsseldijk , the Netherlands, will present an assessment of white-beaked dolphin strandings in the ASCOBANS Area 1990-2025.	WPA37: Continue monitoring new information on the causes of strandings and mortality of cetaceans, as well as best practice guidance on stranding responses and necropsies, and to make recommendations to Parties as appropriate. WPA38: Engage actively in the ongoing work on best practice guidelines for stranding events in the frameworks of the IWC and ACCOBAMS. WPA41: Standardize reporting procedures of Post-Mortem Examinations statistics, using the joint ASCOBANS/ACCOBAMS best practice on cetacean post-mortem investigation and tissue sampling. AC29/AP18: Parties are invited to provide The NL with relevant data on white-beaked dolphin strandings across the North Sea [...]. Preliminary results are expected to be presented at AC30 (2026).	Doc.3.5a Report of the IWG on UMEs and MSEs Doc.3.5b WBD Strandings Assessment Inf.3.5 Guidelines for Genetic Sampling of HP	Note taken. Advice provided regarding the strandings database. Work plan of the IWG endorsed. Comments provided on the WBD report. Action Points / Recommendations suggested.
	3.6. Other Matters The Secretariat will present a summary of the national reporting data. Participants will have the opportunity to present new information or comments important for the Agreement, difficulties in implementing the Agreement, or burning issues.	WPA26: Review new information on any other issues, including emerging issues posing a potential threat, and the impact they have on small cetaceans, their prey & their habitat. Make recommendations to Parties & other relevant authorities for further action.	NR.1-9 National Reports	Note taken. Action Points / Recommendations suggested.
17:00	4. Reports back from other Working Groups			
	4.1. Shallow-water Mining and Small Cetaceans Penina Blankett , Chair of the Working Group on Shallow water Mining and Small Cetaceans, will present the interim report of the WG.	AC29/AP29: Parties will send the following [...], to assist the WG on its activities: a) Information regarding ongoing or planned shallow-water mining activities [...]. b) Confirmation on whether shallow-water mining	Doc.4.1 Interim Report of the WG Res.10.7 Shallow-water Mining & Small Cetaceans	Note taken. Feedback provided.

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		activities have been included into national MSP. c) Links to scientific, peer-reviewed papers on shallow-water mining activities and their potential impacts on small cetaceans.		
	4.2. Cetacean Culture Laetitia Nunny , Chair of the ACCOBAMS / ASCOBANS Working Group on Cetacean Culture and Social Learning, will brief the meeting.	AC29/AP15: [...] TOR: a) to consider the potential importance of social learning and culture for cetacean conservation in the [ACCOBAMS and] ASCOBANS region; b) review available information and seek to provide concrete recommendations; and c) to liaise as appropriate with the CMS Expert WG on Animal Culture.	Inf.4.2 Recent Publications on Cetacean Culture	Note taken.
	4.3. Marine Strategy Framework Directive Sinéad Murphy , Co-Chair of the Joint ACCOBAMS / ASCOBANS Working Group on the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD), will brief the meeting, and present the proposed amendments to the Terms of Reference for the Joint WG on MSFD.	AC29/AP23: The Joint ACCOBAMS / ASCOBANS WG on MSFD to undertake a review of ASCOBANS Parties' reports under Articles 8, 9, 10 of the Directive – covering the assessment of their waters, determination of GES, and the establishment of environmental targets – with particular focus on the integration of OSPAR & HELCOM indicators, as well as the incorporation of marine mammal indicators into the broader GES assessment framework.	Doc.4.3 Proposed Amendments to TOR	Note taken. TOR endorsed.
18:00	End of Day 1			

DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY, 2 SEPTEMBER 2026

09:30-18:00 CEST

Time	Agenda Item	Related Work Plan Activity / AC Action Point	Documents	Expected Outcomes
09:30	4. Reports back from Working Groups (cont.)			
	4.4. Lesser-known Species Mark Simmonds , Chair of the IWG on Lesser-known Species, will brief the meeting. Mr Simmonds will also present the outcomes of the <i>ECS-ASCOBANS Workshop: Towards Meaningful Conservation Action for Risso's Dolphins in the North Atlantic</i> (20 April 2026). Peter Evans , Chair of the Workshop, will present the outcomes of the <i>ECS-ASCOBANS Workshop: Building Knowledge, Building Action: Atlantic White-sided and White-beaked Dolphins</i> (21 April 2026).	WPA51: Arrange for a special session dealing with a species selected by the previous meeting at each meeting of the AC, covering issues such as population status and structure, distribution, abundance, life history, threats and pressures, the conservation status and recommendations for research and conservation actions. WPA53: Organize workshops including at the annual conferences of the ECS on topics of priority interest to ASCOBANS, funding permitting. AC28/AP9: The Intersessional WG to organize a virtual meeting to discuss the following issues, and report to AC29: • Which species and populations in the agreement area require further attention, • Where the data gaps lie, and • How to take work on these populations and species forward in the ASCOBANS context.		Note taken.
10:00	5. Hunting of Cetaceans			
	5.1. Drive hunt in the Faroe Islands The Secretariat will introduce this agenda item. The AC will be requested to note the correspondence in Inf.5.1b and provide advice on potential next steps, if any.		Inf.5.1a Assessment of cetacean welfare Inf.5.1b Correspondence	Note taken. Advice provided.
	5.2. ASCOBANS Position on Use of Data Derived from Deliberately Killed Small Cetaceans The Secretariat will introduce this agenda item. The AC will be requested to discuss and decide whether to agree a position on the usage of data derived from deliberately killed small cetaceans in ASCOBANS context.		Doc.5.2 Position	Decision agreed.

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11:00	Break 30 min			
11:30	6. Species Action Plans			
	6.1. Recovery Plan for Baltic Harbour Porpoises (Jastarnia Plan) Ida Carlén , Chair of the Jastarnia Group, will present an update on activities of the group, the most recent meeting (14-16 April 2026), and the progress report on the implementation of the Jastarnia Plan.	WPA1: Evaluate progress in the implementation of the Recovery Plan for Baltic Harbour Porpoises (Jastarnia Plan), establish further implementation priorities, carry out the periodic review of the Plan and promote the implementation of the Plan.	Inf.6.1a Jastarnia Plan Progress Report 2026 Inf.6.1b JG22 Action Points Res.8.3 Rev Jastarnia Plan, 6.1 Jastarnia Plan, Res.9.2 (Rev. MOP10) Baltic Proper HP	Note taken.
	6.2. Conservation Plan for the Harbour Porpoises Population in the Western Baltic, the Belt Sea and the Kattegat (Western Baltic Conservation Plan) Ida Carlén , Chair of the Jastarnia Group, will present the progress report on the implementation of the WBBK Plan.	WPA2: Evaluate progress in the implementation of the Conservation Plan for Harbour Porpoises in the WBBK, establish further implementation priorities, carry out the periodic review of the Plan and promote the implementation of the Plan.	Inf.6.2 WBBK Plan Progress Report 2026 Inf.6.1b JG22 Action Points Res.7.1 WBBK Plan	Note taken.
	6.3. Conservation Plan for Harbour Porpoises in the North Sea (North Sea Plan) Peter Evans , Chair of the North Sea Group, will present an update on activities of the group and the most recent meeting (13-14 April 2026), and the progress report on the implementation of the North Sea Plan.	WPA3: Evaluate progress in the implementation of the Conservation Plan for Harbour Porpoises in the North Sea, establish further implementation priorities, carry out the periodic review of the Plan [...] and promote the implementation of the Plan.	Inf.6.3a NSP Progress Report 2026 Inf.6.3b NSG14 Priority Recommendations Res.10.3 Rev North Sea Plan, 6.1 North Sea Plan	Note taken.
	6.4. Species Action Plan for the North-East Atlantic Common Dolphin Sinéad Murphy , Co-Chair of the Common Dolphin Group, will provide an update on activities and the most recent meeting (13-14 January 2026).	WPA4: Evaluate progress in the implementation of the Species Action Plan for the NE Atlantic Common Dolphin, promote its ongoing implementation, establish further priorities, carry out the periodic review of the Plan.	Inf.6.4 CDG6 Recommendations Res.8.4 (Rev.MOP9) Common Dolphins	Note taken.
13:00	Break 1 hour			
14:00	7. Relevant EU Policy matters	WPA60: Identify priorities and complementarity and improve cooperation between ASCOBANS and institutions of the European Union.		

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	The meeting will have an opportunity to discuss any relevant updates on implementation and development of the EU nature, marine, and fisheries policies relevant to ASCOBANS.			
14:30	8. Cooperation with other Bodies			
	8.1. Reports by the Secretariat, Parties and Partners The Secretariat will highlight key areas of collaboration with partners during the past year. Parties and Partners will be invited to present their reports, taking into account any relevant Work Plan Activities.	WPA8: Request the IWC to report back on the progress on the Iberian HP. WPA61: Ensure close collaboration with the Secretariats and scientific advisory bodies of the CMS Family on all issues of mutual interest. WPA62: Seek to cooperate closely with relevant organizations on matters aligned with the objectives of ASCOBANS [...] WPA64: Work towards strengthening or establishing positive relationships with stakeholders, especially the fishing industry and European Advisory Councils. WPA66: Insofar as budgetary provisions and guidance by the AC allow for it, ensure proper representation at meetings of other relevant organizations.	Inf.8.1a Reports from Relevant Meetings Inf.8.1b Overview of CMS COP15 Outcomes Relevant to ASCOBANS	Note taken.
	8.2. Dates of Interest 2025-2026 The Secretariat will seek feedback on the draft list of Dates of Interest. The AC will be requested to inform about planned attendance to relevant meetings.	WPA65: Compile a list of Dates of Interest and report back on issues relevant to ASCOBANS to each meeting of the Parties and Advisory Committee. This requires participants at meetings identified in the list to confirm their attendance by email to the Secretariat after the meeting.	Doc.8.2/Rev.1 Draft Dates of Interest	Relevant meetings listed and representation indicated.
	9. Publicity and Outreach The Secretariat will present its recent outreach report. Parties and Partners will be invited to present their reports, taking into account any relevant Work Plan Activities.	WPA43: Assess the need for information material on conservation issues facing small cetaceans in the ASCOBANS Area, and develop material as necessary. WPA45: Support annual celebration of the IIBHP on the 3 rd Sunday in May. WPA47: Take advantage of attendance at other fora to give presentations or make	Doc.9 Outreach Activities Res.5.8 Educational and Promotional Activities	

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		information available on topics related to ASCOBANS. WPA48: Consider the report provided by NGOs on ideas for education and outreach work for ASCOBANS.		
15:30	Break 30 min			
16:00	10. ASCOBANS Work Plan: Overview of Implementation The Secretariat will present an overview of progress made on implementation of the ASCOBANS Work Plan 2025-2028 to date. The AC will be invited to review the document, and to provide additional updates and advice where required.		Doc.10 Overview of Implementation	Note taken. Advice provided.
	11. Any Other Scientific Issues Any topics flagged for discussion during agenda item 1.2. will be addressed.			
	12. Adoption of Action Points, Recommendations, and Decisions of the Scientific Session The Secretariat will present a draft list of Action Points, Recommendations, and Decisions generated at the meeting, for review and adoption.		In-session: Draft List of Action Points, Recommendations, and Decisions of the Scientific Session	Action Points, Recommendations and Decisions adopted.
18:00	End of Day 2			

DAY 3 – THURSDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER 2026

09:30-18:00 CEST

Time	Agenda Item	Related Work Plan Activity / AC Action Point	Documents	Expected Outcomes
09:30	12. Adoption of the Action Points, Recommendations, and Decisions of the Scientific Session (cont.) The Secretariat will present a draft list of Action Points, Recommendations and Decisions generated at the meeting, for review and adoption.		In-session: Draft List of Action Points and Recommendations of the Scientific Session	Action Points, Recommendations and Decisions adopted.
	13. Close of the Scientific Session			
11:00	Break 30 min			
11:30	14. Opening of the Institutional Session			
	15. Status of Accession and Acceptance of the Agreement's Amendment The Secretariat will brief the meeting on the status of access and acceptance of the Agreement's Amendment (extension area). Parties that have not yet formally accepted the Amendment will be invited to inform the meeting on the progress made.			
	16. National Reporting Form The AC will have an opportunity to provide feedback on the National Report form.	WPA67: Identify and, where possible, address any issues that Parties might encounter regarding the compilation of the National Report.	Inf.16 2025 NR form Res.10.1 National Reporting 2025-2028	
	16.1. National Reporting Overlaps Siri Elmegaard , Chair of the Intersessional Working Group (IWG) on National Reporting Overlaps, will present the report of the IWG. The AC will be requested to consider endorsing the report of the IWG and its recommendations, and the accordingly updated NR form.	WPA68: Review overlaps in national reporting with other reporting obligations (e.g. MPAs to EMODNet, noise and bycatch to ICES) and identify if any topics in ASCOBANS National Reports can instead be accessed in such databases to avoid duplication of efforts.	Doc.16.1 Review of Overlaps between ASCOBANS NR and Other Reporting Obligations	Endorsing the report considered, incl. its recommendations.
13:00	Break 1 hour			

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14:00	17. Financial and Administrative Issues			
	17.1. Administrative Issues The Secretariat will present its report to the Advisory Committee. The AC will be invited to decide whether to use a National Coordinator designation form, and to advise whether ASCOBANS should develop a manual for National Coordinators.	WPA58: Report on budgetary and administrative issues to the AC.	Doc.17.1 Admin Report 2025-2026	Advise provided.
	17.2. End-of-term Report on Budgetary Issues 2025 The Secretariat will present its report to the Advisory Committee.	WPA58: Report on budgetary and administrative issues to the AC.	Doc.17.2 End-2025 Budget Report	Note taken. Comments provided.
	17.3. Mid-term Report on Budgetary Issues 2026 The Secretariat will present its report to the Advisory Committee.	WPA58: Report on budgetary and administrative issues to the AC.	Doc.17.3 Mid-2026 Budget Report	Note taken. Comments provided.
	17.4. Activities Requiring Funding The Secretariat will inform the meeting the financial needs for the implementation of activities agreed or suggested by the Advisory Committee and in the Work Plan scheduled for the next year. The AC will be invited to prioritise the activities that require funding. The AC will also be invited to pledge funds for the activities.	WPA57: Prepare for each meeting of the Advisory Committee, and for MOP, an overview of activities requiring funding. WPA56: Issue call for project proposals when instructed to do so by the MOP or the AC, and conduct consultation on prioritization to the next meeting. WPA59: Encourage Parties and partner organizations to provide voluntary contributions, and seek new sources of funding for projects prioritized by the AC or for outreach initiatives.	Doc.17.4 Activities Requiring Funding Res.10.2/Rev.1 Work Plan 2025-2028	Priority order for activities agreed. Funding pledged to activities.
15:30	Break 30min			
16:00	18. Any Other Institutional Issues Any topics flagged for discussion during agenda item 1.2. will be addressed.			

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	19. Adoption of the Action Points, Recommendations, and Decisions of the Institutional Session The Secretariat will present a draft list of Action Points, Recommendations and Decisions generated at the meeting, for review and adoption.		In-session: Draft List of Action Points and Recommendations of the Institutional Session	Action Points, Recommendations, and Decisions adopted.
	20. Dates and Venue of the 31st Meeting of the Advisory Committee Parties will be invited to make offers for hosting the 31 st Meeting of the Advisory Committee (AC31) in 2027. The AC will be invited to give guidance on potential dates, to be considered in conjunction with other meetings listed in Doc.8.2.	WPA50: Organize Advisory Committee Meetings as scheduled, with papers circulated one month in advance of the meetings.	Doc.8.2/Rev.1 Draft Dates of Interest	Host for AC31 identified and dates agreed.
18:00	21. Close of the Meeting The meeting is expected to close by 18:00 on Thursday 3 September 2026.			