The first meeting of the COP 13 Bureau took place in Ordos, China, on 8 September 2017. The chair, Ms. Jia Xiaoxia, from China made welcoming remarks. An overview of the matters discussed and the decisions made by the Bureau is presented below.

I. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted without any amendments.

II. Introduction to COP13 Bureau members

The Vice-Presidents of the COP13 Bureau introduced themselves.

III. Schedule of the Bureau meetings

The President presented the schedule of the COP12 Bureau meetings as follows: second meeting: tentatively scheduled for Monday, 11 September and to be confirmed, third meeting: Wednesday, 13 September. Meetings will be held at 13.30 at the same venue (MET-07). Furthermore, the COP 13 Bureau may meet at any time upon request.

IV. Reports on past and forthcoming meeting

1- Report was made by the chair of the Committee of the Whole (COW). The COW already met once. Contact groups are made and discussions are going well. Mr. Luis Domingos Constantino from Angola is the chair of the contact group on other matters and European Union the chair of the contact group on budget

2- The CST Chair presented the report on the CST meeting. The CST held already four meetings and will have their last meeting on Saturday 9th September. The contact groups have already met on the 6th and 7th of September.

3- The Chair of the CRIC introduced the report on CRIC meetings. The CRIC had three meetings and discussion in contact groups are going well. The last meeting of CRIC will be on Procedurals Matters on Wednesday 13th September.

V. Other Business

China asked to establish a group of friends of the chair on the Ordos declaration. The group of friends of the chair is open ended. The draft declaration will be transmitted to the Vice presidents in electronic format and the first meeting of the group of friends of the chair will take place tomorrow Saturday 9th September at 1.30 pm in MET-07.
VI. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the COP13 Bureau will take place on Monday, 11 September 2017 at 1.30 pm in MET-07. To be confirmed by email and board posting.