

Decision 17/COP.10

Date and venue of the eleventh session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling article 22, paragraph 2(a) and (c), of the Convention,

Also recalling its decision 11/COP.9 concerning additional procedures or institutional mechanisms to assist in reviewing the implementation of the Convention, and containing in its annex the terms of reference of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention,

Recognizing that regional meetings play an important role in reviewing progress and make a useful contribution to the implementation of the Convention and the 10-year strategic plan and framework to enhance the implementation of the Convention (2008–2018) (The Strategy),

Underlining the importance of a coordinated reporting process that leaves sufficient time for reporting entities to collect, process and submit information on the implementation of The Strategy as well as sufficient time for data quality checks to be undertaken by the Convention's institutions,

1. *Decides* that the eleventh session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention shall be held in Bonn, Germany, the site of the Convention secretariat, for five working days not later than March 2013, in the event that no Party makes an offer to host that session and meet the additional financial cost;
2. *Requests* the secretariat to review the provisions for regional meetings in preparation for the meetings of the Committee, as contained in its biennial costed work programme, and to seek financial contributions to enable those regional meetings to take place;
3. *Invites* the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties, to accommodate any offer from a Party to host the eleventh session of the Committee;
4. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to take the necessary measures to prepare that session, including the conclusion of a legally binding agreement on the international level with a host country/government.

9th plenary meeting
21 October 2011