

Decision 17/COP.12

Date and venue of the fifteenth 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 decision 11/COP.9 and its annex containing the terms of reference of the CRIC,

Further recalling decision 16/COP.12,

1. *Decides*, subject to the availability of resources, that CRIC 15 should be held for three to five working days as early as possible after July 2016 but no later than March 2017, at the most cost-effective venue of either Bonn, Germany, the site of the Convention secretariat, or in any other venue with United Nations conference facilities in the event that no Party makes an offer to host that session and meet the additional financial costs;
2. *Invites* the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties, to accommodate any offer from a Party to host CRIC 15;
3. *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.

*12th plenary meeting
23 October 2015*