

## Decision 17/COP.13

### **Date and venue of the seventeenth 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 13/COP.13 and its annex containing the terms of reference of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention,

*Further recalling* decisions 2/COP.12, 15/COP.12 and 15/COP.13,

1. *Decides*, subject to the availability of resources, that the seventeenth session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention should be held in the second half of 2018 at the most cost-effective venue of either Bonn, Germany – the site of the Convention secretariat – or any other venue with United Nations conference facilities in the event that no Party makes an offer to host the session and meet the additional financial costs;
2. *Invites* the secretariat, in consultation with the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties, to accommodate any offer from a Party to host the seventeenth session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention;
3. *Requests* the secretariat to take the necessary measures to prepare for that session, including the conclusion of a legally binding agreement at the international level with a host country/government.

*9<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting  
14 September 2017*