

Decision 28/COP.8

Date and venue of the ninth session of the Conference of the Parties

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling article 22, paragraph 4, of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985,

1. *Decides* that the ninth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 9) shall be held in Bonn, Germany, the site of the Convention secretariat in Autumn 2009, in the event that no Party makes an offer to host that session and meet the additional financial cost;
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 COP 9;
3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to take the necessary measures to prepare for COP 9.

*9th plenary meeting
14 September 2007*