

Decision 8/COP.2

Collaboration with other conventions

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling the provisions of article 8 of the Convention, on the relationship with other conventions, and article 22, paragraph 2(i), on the promotion and strengthening of relationships with other relevant international bodies and conventions,

Recalling also article 23, paragraph 2(d), on the coordination by the secretariat of its activities with the secretariats of other relevant international bodies and conventions,

Bearing in mind its decision 9/COP.1, paragraph 3(a), and its decision 13/COP.1, paragraph 2, on collaboration and coordination with other international bodies and conventions, and decision 14/COP.1 on relations with the Global Environment Facility,

Taking note of the report by the secretariat on collaboration and synergies among Rio conventions for the implementation of the Convention¹,

1. *Requests* the secretariat to take steps to implement that report in consultation with other relevant secretariats, and to develop, as appropriate, a memorandum of understanding to define their collaboration and cooperation;

2. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary, in preparing documents for the Conference of the Parties, to seek, as appropriate, the views of and inputs from relevant convention secretariats, as well as from relevant international organizations, agencies and institutions;

3. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Conference of the Parties at its third session on his activities in fulfilling this decision, bearing in mind the relevant resolutions and/or decisions of the United Nations General Assembly.

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11 December 1998*

¹ ICCD/COP(2)/7.