

2012 IUCN Members' Assembly

Jeju, Republic of Korea, 8–15 September 2012

DECISIONS OTHER THAN RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The present document lists the decisions other than [Resolutions and Recommendations](#) which were adopted by the 2012 Members' Assembly and published on IUCN's website with the numbering WCC-2012-Res-001 to WCC-2012-Rec-183.

The decisions other than Resolutions and Recommendations have been included in the [Proceedings of the Members' Assembly](#), equally published on IUCN's website, as text boxes with grey shade, numbering 1 to 25. All documents referred to in the decisions are referenced with web links.

Except if specified otherwise in the Proceedings, all decisions of the Members' Assembly were taken by electronic vote. The reference number of the voting record is mentioned between brackets below each decision. The electronic voting record for all decisions is available on [IUCN's website](#).

Decision 1

Congress APPROVES the [Terms of Reference](#) and the membership of the Credentials Committee:

Javed JABBAR (Pakistan) Chair
Gustavo ALANIS (Mexico)
Lesley DICKIE (United Kingdom)
Aby DRAME (Senegal)
Jelena DUCIC (Serbia)
Hiroharu KOIKE (Japan)
Nicole LEOTAUD (Trinidad & Tobago)
Fakaosi SIONE LANIVIA (Tonga)

[voting record: 1.1_1 & 1.1_2]

Decision 2

Congress APPROVES the [Agenda for the 2012 World Conservation Congress](#).

[voting record: 1.3_1 rev2 2nd]

Decision 3

Congress APPROVES the [Terms of Reference for the Steering Committee of Congress](#).

[voting record: 1.5_5]

Decision 4

Congress APPROVES the [Terms of Reference](#) and the membership of the Resolutions Committee of Congress:

Zuleika PINZÓN (Panama), Chair
Suk-kyoon CHUNG (Republic of Korea)
Ali DARWISH (Lebanon)
Hans DE IONGH (The Netherlands)
Brahim HADDANE (Morocco)
Vladimir KOROTENKO (Kyrgyzstan)
Brendan MACKEY (Australia)
Grace MWAURA (Kenya)
Jon Paul RODRIGUEZ (Venezuela)
Mahfuz ULLAH (Bangladesh)
Robin YARROW (Fiji)

[voting record: 1.5_1]

Decision 5

Congress APPROVES the [Terms of Reference](#) and the membership of the Finance and Audit Committee of Congress:

Patrick de HENEY (Switzerland), Chair
Marco Vinicio CEREZO (Guatemala)
Diane MATAR (Lebanon)
Kinsuk MITRA (India)
Karen PRICE (Malawi)
Kurt RAMIN (Germany)
Nicholas ROBINSON (USA)
Spencer THOMAS (Grenada)
Keith WHEELER (USA)

[voting record: 1.5_2]

Decision 6

Congress APPROVES the [Terms of Reference](#) and the membership of the Governance Committee of Congress:

Manfred NIEKISCH (Germany), Chair
Susan BROWN (Australia, WWF International)
Christine DAWSON (USA)
Alistair GAMMEL (UK)
Archana GODBOLE (India)
George GREENE (Canada)
Jenny GRUENBERGER (Bolivia)
Johan SCHAAR (Sweden)
Gloria Chinwe UJOR (Nigeria)

[voting record: 1.5_3]

Decision 7

Congress APPROVES the [Terms of Reference](#) and the membership of the Programme Committee of Congress:

Maimouna ABDALLAHI SALECK (Mauritania), Chair
Amanda ACOSTA (Belize)
Bertrand de MONTMOLLIN (Switzerland)
Yolan FRIEDMANN (South Africa)
Nizar HANI (Lebanon)
Mariam JORJADZE (Georgia)
MA Keping (China)
Claudio MARETTI (Brazil)
Mark McGUFFIE (USA)
Alvaro SOUTULLO (Uruguay)
Marina von WEISSENBERG (Finland)

[voting record: 1.5_4]

Decision 8

Congress DECIDES to refer the issues raised in [Congress Document WCC-2012-1.4 Rev 1](#) *Proposed amendment to the Rules of Procedure of the World Conservation Congress: introducing a quorum requirement* for further consideration by Council during the intersessional period 2013-2016.

Approved by show of hands. The Members' Assembly decided later not to re-open the debate to re-do the vote electronically [voting record 1.4 re-open]

Decision 9

Congress DECIDES to amend the last sentence of Rule 12 of the Rules of Procedure as follows:

"It shall be returned to the Director General before or during the World Congress ~~opens~~ and shall bear an official seal or be accompanied by an official letter."

[voting record: Article 12]

Decision 10

Congress endorsed the conferral of [Honorary Membership](#) to:

Dr Abdulaziz Abuzinada

Ms Angela Cropper

Dr Aila Keto

His Excellency, The State President of Botswana, Lieutenant General Seretse Khama Ian Khama

Mr Veit Koester

Dr Russell Mittermeier

Dr Ian Player

Dr Professor Nicholas Robinson

Dr Marina Silva

Mr Achim Steiner

Professor Randolph Robert Thaman

Approved by applause

Decision 11

The Members' Assembly ADOPTS the mandates for the six IUCN Commissions for the period 2013–2016.

[voting record: 'Adoption Mandates']

Annexes:

[Mandate CEM](#)

[Mandate CEC](#)

[Mandate CEESP](#)

[Mandate SSC](#)

[Mandate WCEL](#)

[Mandate WCPA](#)

Decision 12:

Congress elects for the period 2012-16:

[Regional Councillors:](#)

West Asia

Mr Malik Amin Aslam KHAN, Pakistan

Ms Samira OMAR ASEM, Kuwait

Mr Mohammad SHAHBAZ, Jordan

Meso and South America

Ms Jenny GRUENBERGER PÉREZ, Bolivia

Mr Miguel PELLERANO, Argentina

Mr Ramón PÉREZ GIL SALCIDO, Mexico

Oceania

Mr Andrew BIGNELL, New Zealand

Mr Brendan MACKKEY, Australia

Ms Anna Elizabeth TIRAA, Cook Islands.

Africa

Mr Mamadou DIALLO, Senegal

Mr Brahim HADDANE, Morocco

Ms Eriyo Jesca OSUNA, Uganda

East Europe, North and Central Asia
Mr Amirkhan AMIRKHANOV, Russian Federation
Mr Michael HOSEK, Czech Republic
Ms Tamar PATARIDZE, Georgia

North America and the Caribbean
Mr George GREENE, Canada
Mr John ROBINSON, United States of America
Dr Spencer THOMAS, Grenada

West Europe
Mr Jonathan HUGHES, United Kingdom
Ms Nilufer ORAL, Turkey
Ms Marina von WEISSENBERG, Finland

South and East Asia
Ms Arzu Rana DEUBA, Nepal
Ms Meena GUPTA, India
Mr Shinichi KITAJIMA, Japan

[Commission Chairs:](#)

Commission on Ecosystem Management (CEM)

Mr Piet WIT (Netherlands)

Commission on Education and Communication (CEC)

Ms Juliane ZEIDLER (Germany)

World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL)

Mr Antonio Herman BENJAMIN (Brazil)

Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy (CEESP)

Ms Aroha Te Pareake MEAD (New Zealand)

Species Survival Commission (SSC)

Mr Simon STUART (UK)

World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA)

Mr Ernesto ENKERLIN HOEFLICH (Mexico)

[Treasurer:](#)

Mr Patrick de Heney (Switzerland, United Kingdom)

[President:](#)

Mr ZHANG Xinsheng (China)

[Election results](#)

Decision 13

Congress TAKES NOTE of the [Report of the Director General and Treasurer](#) on the Finances of IUCN in the period 2008–2012, and APPROVES the Audited Financial Statements for the years 2008-11

[voting record 'Finance 2008-12']

Annexes:

[Audited Financial Statements 2008](#)

[Audited Financial Statements 2009](#)

[Audited Financial Statements 2010](#)

[Audited Financial Statements 2011](#)

Decision 14

Congress ADOPTS the [IUCN Programme](#) and the [Financial Plan 2013–16](#).

[voting record: 'Financial Plan 2013-16']

Decision 15

Congress, at the recommendation of the IUCN Council, APPOINTS PricewaterhouseCoopers as IUCN External Auditors for the years 2013 to 2016.

[voting record: 'external Auditors']

Decision 16

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,
Considering that the current Statutes, Rules of Procedure of the World Conservation Congress and Regulations of IUCN contain multiple procedures and deadlines such as the ones related to the preparation of the World Conservation Congresses which require an update to keep pace with contemporary means of communication and the requirements of transparency enabling the IUCN membership to be more effectively engaged in the work of IUCN by electronic communication means;

Requests the newly elected Council to:

- 1) review the procedures and deadlines of the Statutes, Rules of Procedure of the World Conservation Congress and Regulations of IUCN in consultation with Members and Commissions;
- 2) propose amendments to increase their clarity, coherence and efficiency with respect to the procedures and deadlines; and
- 3) submit them for approval by IUCN's membership through an electronic ballot in time to be effective during the preparations of the 2016 World Conservation Congress.

[voting record 9.4.1_1]

Decision 17

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,

Adopts the following amendment to Article 46 of the IUCN Statutes:

- (l) to appoint a Deputy Chair and Steering Committee of each Commission on receipt of nomination by that Commission's Chair and to confirm or otherwise change, upon proposal of the Commission Chair, the membership of the Steering Committee before the end of the second full calendar year following Congress;

Adopts the following amendment to Regulation 73:

- 73bis Before the end of the second full calendar year following Congress, the Chair of each Commission shall, in consultation with the Commission's Steering Committee, propose to Council that it either confirm the membership of the Steering Committee or that it otherwise change it in accordance with the Chair's proposal.

[voting record 9.4.1_3]

Decision 18

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,

Adopts the following amendment to Article 42 of the IUCN Statutes:

Members of the Council shall not hold the same office consecutively for more than two full terms. For the purpose of this Article, the time served to fill the balance of the term of a Council member following a vacancy occurring in Council, shall not be counted.

[voting record 9.4.1_4]

Decision 19

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,

Recalling Resolution 4.001 (2008 WCC) urged Council to actively advance the One Programme approach to improve collaborative work within the Union for better coordination and integration of the constituent parts of the Union (Members, Commissions, National and Regional Committees and Secretariat) in the IUCN Programme;

Further recalling Resolution 4.002 calling on the Director General to coordinate the work of the Secretariat on the IUCN Programme with IUCN's State and NGO Members, IUCN National and Regional Committees, and IUCN's Commissions;

Recognizing the good examples of this coordinated approach during the last quadrennium;

Noting the continuing challenges that need to be overcome related to funding and organizational culture;

1. **Endorses** the Summary Statement 'Working Together as a Union to Deliver IUCN's One Programme' and the 'IUCN One Programme Charter' which is attached to the Summary Statement as a guidance document; [\[see Congress Document WCC-2012-9.4.1/5\]](#)
2. **Calls upon** each of the constituent parts of the Union – the Council, the Commissions, the National and Regional Committees, the Secretariat, and the Members whose organizational priorities and capacities permit them to align with the IUCN Programme – to carry out their respective roles in implementing IUCN's Programme;
3. **Requests** Council to work with the Director General to achieve a coordinated and coherent delivery of the IUCN Programme through proper Programme development, implementation and financing mechanisms enabling and leveraging the capacities of IUCN's constituent parts and delivering conservation results optimally, effectively and efficiently;
4. **Further requests the Council** to adapt the One Programme Charter to evolving needs and circumstances, as needed;
5. **Requests** Council and the Director General to carry on their joint work on measuring, monitoring and reporting on implementing the One Programme Charter including development of baselines and targets for the performance indicators, and further development of incentive and accountability measures;
6. **Requests** the Director General to report to the Congress and to the Council on results and activities which demonstrate One Programme collaboration; and
7. **Approves** the following amendment to IUCN Regulation 2 to give clear effect to the One Program Statement and Charter, as follows:

2bis The Council, the Commissions, the National and Regional Committees, the Secretariat, and the Members whose organizational priorities and capacities permit them to align with the IUCN Programme, shall work together for coherent delivery of the IUCN Programme which enables and leverages the capacities of IUCN's Members and statutory components and delivers conservation results optimally, effectively and efficiently.

[voting record: 9.4.1_5]

Decision 20

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,

Adopts the following amendment to Article 7 of the IUCN Statutes:

Government agencies, national and international non-governmental organizations and affiliates shall become Members of IUCN when the Council has determined that:

- (a) the applicant shares and supports the objectives of IUCN;
- (b) the applicant has as one of its central purposes the achievement of IUCN's ~~mission objectives~~ and a substantial record of activity in the conservation of nature and natural resources;
- (c) the objectives and track record of the applicant embody to a substantial extent :
 - i. the conservation of the integrity and diversity of nature; and, either or both:
 - ii. the aim to ensure that any use of natural resources is equitable and ecologically sustainable;
 - iii. dedication to influencing, encouraging and assisting societies to meet the objectives of IUCN;
- (d) the applicant does not pursue objectives or carry out activities that conflict with the objectives or activities of IUCN; and
- (e) the applicant meets the other qualifications for membership as prescribed in the Regulations.

[voting record: 9.4.1_6]

Decision 21

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,

Adopts the following amendments to the IUCN Statutes:

Article 38:

- (f) ~~up to five~~ one additional appointed Councillors, chosen by the Council on the basis of ~~diverse~~ appropriate qualifications, interests and skills.

Article 39:

There shall be a total of twenty-~~four~~ eight Regional Councillors. ~~Three Regional Councillors shall be elected from each Region. The number of elected Councillors for each Region shall be as follows: four (4) for Africa; four (4) for Meso and South America; three (3) for North America and the Caribbean; five (5) for South and East Asia; three (3) for West Asia; three (3) for Oceania; three (3) from West Europe, and three (3) from East Europe, North and Central Asia.~~

Article 41:

The terms of office of the President, Treasurer, Regional Councillors and Chairs of Commissions shall extend from the close of the ordinary session of the World Congress at which they are elected, until the close of the next ordinary session of the World Congress. The appointed Councillors shall serve for the remainder of the term for which the other Councillors are elected.

Article 46:

- (m) to select the appointed Councillors;

Adopts the following amendments to Rule 81 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Conservation Congress:

- (c) where three ~~or more~~ persons are to be elected from among four or more candidates to serve as Regional Councillors for a Region, the vote shall be cast by placing an 'X' against the names of preferred candidates up to three the maximum number of the preferred candidates to be elected for that Region. Where more than one candidate is nominated from the same State, only the candidate receiving the greater number of votes may be elected;

Adopts the following amendment to IUCN Regulation 45:

- (a) ~~up to five~~ one (1) additional Councillors, selected with due regard to the need to maintain an ~~diverse~~ appropriate balance of appropriate qualifications, interests and skills;

Adopts the following amendment to the Annex to the Regulations: Pakistan moves from West Asia to South and East Asia.

[voting record: 9.4.1_8]

The revised text arising from the Contact Group established for this proposal was adopted subject to inclusion of a further substantive amendment tabled by **Environment & Conservation Organizations of New Zealand**.

Decision 22

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,

Noting the Member proposal to amend the IUCN Statutes 101 submitted to Council by The Environment and Conservation Organisations of NZ Inc (ECO) and supported by the New Zealand Committee of IUCN;

Noting that Council concurs with the spirit and essence of the view expressed by ECO and the New Zealand Committee of IUCN that the authority to modify IUCN's mission and the nature of its membership, including membership admission criteria, belongs with the Members' Assembly;

Considering that this matter and the specific proposal for amendment require further analysis to understand their scope and implications, in order to define the most appropriate way of clarifying in the IUCN Statutes and Regulations the respective authorities of the Members' Assembly and of Council on this point;

Requests Council to establish a Members' advisory committee to prepare a proposal to amend the IUCN Statutes and Regulations in order to:

- (a) make clear the Members' Assembly's sole authority to establish IUCN's mission and modify the nature, powers and rights of its membership, including membership admission criteria, for submission to the IUCN membership for adoption by electronic ballot in the first half of the next term;
- (b) develop procedures for intersessional votes by Members on issues that need to be addressed intersessionally.

[voting record: 9.4.1_9]

Decision 23

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,

Finding that Council Decision C/72/15, taken at the Council meeting held in Gland, Switzerland on 2–4 February 2009, is contrary to the principle of transparency and inconsistent with Rule 70 of the Rules of Procedure, which stipulates that secret ballots are the exception to the voting process of the Members' Assembly,

Requests the Motions Advisory Group to include in its work the opportunity for Members to provide written rationale on votes taken on motions following the decisions, and any associated issues,

Decides that the Rules of Procedure are hereby amended by adoption of new Rule 71bis, as follows:

71bis. Except for (a) secret ballot votes under Rule 70 and (b) votes for elections at the World Congress under Rules 74-81 and Regulation 40bis, the complete voting record of each IUCN Member at the Members' Assembly shall be made available, within 24 hours or as soon as the voting system permits after each sitting, to all Members.

Decides that the amended Rules of Procedure will take effect as of September 16, 2012.

[voting record: 9.4.1_10 a (2nd vote) to approve the revised text EXCEPT the effective date; 9.4.1_10 a2 confirmed the effective date]

Decision 24

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,

Adopts the following amendment to Article 37 of the IUCN Statutes:

Responsibility and Role

Subject to the authority, direction and policy of the World Congress:

- (a) The Council shall have responsibility for the oversight and general control of all the affairs of IUCN;
and
- (b) The roles of the Council, with specific functions elaborated in Article 46 and other relevant provisions of these Statutes, shall be to:
 - (i) set strategic direction and policy guidance for the work of the Union;
 - (ii) provide oversight and guidance on the performance of the components of the Union as a whole and of the Director General in particular, encouraging coherence among its component parts;
 - (iii) fulfil its fiduciary responsibilities to the Members of the Union and render account to them on the achievement of the Union's objectives; and
 - (iv) support the Director General in communicating IUCN objectives and policy, and IUCN Programme to the world community.

Adopts the following amendment to Regulation 48:

- (b) Council members shall maintain an effective relationship with the Director General and, through him/her, the Secretariat staff in view of enabling them to work to the same purpose through clarity of and respect for the authority and responsibilities of Council and the Director General, respectively, and with the highest professional and ethical standards.

[voting record: 9.4.1_2]

Decision 25

Congress RESCINDS all the remaining rights of 122 Members whose dues are two or more years in arrears.

[voting record: 'ad hoc 2']