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Agenda Item 5: Specific Issues

Report by the Secretariat on Specific Issues

Addendum

H. Cooperation and Partners: MoUs/Agreements, MAP Partners, Joint Cooperation Strategy, Paragraphs 68, 69, 70, 82 (c).

Annex VI – MAP Partner Applications Evaluation Table

Following the call for new MAP Partners issued by the Secretariat, and its promotion by the Coordinating Unit and MAP Components through a series of activities, the Secretariat received two additional applications from non-governmental organizations for accreditation as MAP Partners, dated 3 and 13 May 2019, as follows:

- UniVerde Foundation
- Center for Energy, Environment and Resources (CENER21)

The results of the evaluation of the two additional applications are presented here below as an addition to Annex VI to the Report by the Secretariat on Specific issues for the Bureau's consideration. The Secretariat recommends that the Bureau also approves these two additional organizations to be admitted as MAP Partners.

Additional proposed recommendation, paragraph 82 (c):

(c.bis) The Bureau endorses the results of the evaluation conducted by the Secretariat of the two new applications submitted by “UniVerde Foundation” and “Center for Energy, Environment and Resources (CENER21)”, for accreditation as MAP Partners, and requests that the Secretariat submits them to the MAP Focal Points and to COP 21 for consideration and endorsement.

Addition to Annex VI – MAP Partner Applications Evaluation Table:

MAP Partner Applications Evaluation Table**INFORMATION ON THE APPLICANTS**

ACRO NYM	FULL NAME	COUNTRY	AIMS
	UniVerde Foundation	Italy	UniVerde Foundation aims to promote the ecological reconversion of information, politics, society and the economy by promoting a change in lifestyles in harmony with the natural environment for an eco-sustainable future. To promote the spread of ecological culture.

EVALUATION**Part I: General conditions for accreditation**

Two categories of NGOs are eligible for observer status

	UniVerde Foundation
International and regional NGOs	
National and local NGOs from Mediterranean riparian states	√

Both categories of NGOs should satisfy the following general conditions:

	UniVerde Foundation
be representative in the field(s) of their competence and fields of action by the Mediterranean Action Plan Barcelona Convention and its Protocols;	√
be able, through their work, to support the achievement of the objectives of the Mediterranean Action Plan/Barcelona Convention and its Protocols;	√
be able to make known the work of the Mediterranean Action Plan/Barcelona Convention and its Protocols in the region and/or their respective countries;	√
be able to contribute, through a specific project or programme, to the implementation of MAP/Barcelona Convention and its Protocols programme of activities;	√
be able to contribute, through a specific event or manifestation linked to a Mediterranean Action Plan field of activity, to public awareness-raising;	√
be able to provide, through their specific activity or experience, expert advice on the definition of Mediterranean Action Plan policies, programmes and actions;	√
be able regularly to disseminate information to their members, where applicable, on the standards, activities and achievements of the Mediterranean Action Plan/Barcelona Convention in their own field(s) of competence;	√
be able to furnish, either spontaneously or at the request of the Mediterranean Action Plan's different bodies, information, documents or opinions relating to their own field(s) of competence.	√

Part II: Specific accreditation criteria and procedures**Accreditation**

The following criteria apply to international and national/local NGOs:

	UniVerde Foundation
to have legal status; terms of reference, objectives and scope of activities related to one or more of MAP's areas of activity and to the scope of the Convention and its Protocols;	√
to have existed for at least 4 years;	√

to submit financial and activity reports from the last two years;	√
to operate democratically;	√
to have their regional office or headquarters in a Mediterranean country;	√
to demonstrate proof of general or specialised, technical or scientific competence on issues related to the activities of MAP, the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols;	√
to demonstrate what contributions the NGO could make to MAP and the Convention and Protocols.	√

The following specific criteria apply to national/local NGOs:

	UniVerde Foundation
NGO objectives genuinely related to the marine environment and coastal zones;	√
NGOs participating or wishing to participate in specific national or local programmes or projects on the implementation of the objectives of the MAP/Barcelona Convention and its Protocols.	√

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ACRONYM	FULL NAME	COUNTRY	AIMS
CENER21	Center for Energy, Environment and Resources	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Center for Energy, Environment and Resources (CENER21) aims to contribute to sustainable development in South East Europe. CENER21 works directly with key stakeholders from international organizations, government, industry and local authorities deploying technical expertise in the areas of climate change, cleaner production, nature conservation and biodiversity, energy efficiency and renewable energy.

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