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## MEDITERRANEAN ACTION PLAN

Meeting of the MED POL National Coordinators

Sangemini, Italy, 27 - 30 May 2003

### PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

### **Agenda item 1. Opening of the Meeting**

The Meeting of the MED POL National Coordinators will be held from 27 to 30 May 2003 in Sangemini, Terni, Italy, at the Centro Congressi del Parco delle Terme di Sangemini, via della Stazione, 60, Sangemini. The Meeting will be opened at 10,00 hours of 27 May by representatives of the Italian national and local authorities, the President of the Association Amici per la Vita, the MED POL Programme Coordinator and the Head of the UNEP Regional Seas Programme. The Meeting is held with the financial and organization support of Amici per la Vita Onlus in cooperation with the Province of Terni and the "Gruppo Sangemini".

### **Agenda item 2. Election of Officers**

In accordance with Rule 20 of the "Rules of Procedures of the Barcelona Convention, the Meeting will elect a Chairperson, two vice-Chairpersons and one Rapporteur.

### **Agenda item 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Organization of Work**

The Provisional Agenda proposed by the Secretariat is distributed as UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/1 and this document contains its annotation together with a provisional time table. The content of the Agenda will be discussed, amended as necessary and adopted by the Meeting. Simultaneous interpretation in English and French will be available for the duration of the Meeting.

### **Agenda item 4. Review and approval of activities carried out during 2002-2003 under the MED POL Programme**

The Secretariat will introduce document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/3. The document contains a description of the activities carried out during the present biennium. It should be noted that, in the course of the discussion of document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/3, the Meeting is expected to examine a large number of documents prepared during the biennium (see list of document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/Inf.1, from document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/4 to document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/22). Although it will be a difficult task for the Meeting to review all the documents, the participants should recall that many of them have been already reviewed by a number of experts meetings and sent to National Coordinators months earlier for comments. This procedure, used by the Secretariat to facilitate the process of approval, is expected to simplify the discussions and allow to reach consensus on the content of the documents during the Meeting.

The discussion will be conducted following the structure of document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/3 that describes the implementation of the Strategic Action Programme (SAP) and of the Dumping and Hazardous Wastes Protocols. For each of the subjects, the Secretariat will present the work carried out and, as appropriate, will introduce the specific documents which will have to be approved by the Meeting, as indicated in the various chapters of document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/3. The large amount of documents presented to this Meeting, excluding those related to the Dumping Protocol, mostly derives from the implementation of the GEF Project activities.

### **Agenda item 5. Proposed activities for the biennium 2004-2005**

The Secretariat will introduce document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/23. The document follows the structure of the Strategic Action Programme and of its Operational Document and lists and describes what the Secretariat proposes as action for the biennium. Action related to the implementation of the Dumping and the Hazardous Wastes Protocols are also described. The Meeting is expected to review, comment, amend as necessary and adopt the proposed activities

which, together with the related recommendations, will be submitted to Contracting Parties for adoption.

**Agenda item 6. Budgetary considerations in relation to the 2004-2005 work programme**

The Secretariat will briefly present the financial prospects related to the MED POL Programme for the coming biennium in the framework of the overall MAP budget. Although the Coordinators are expected to express themselves on priorities and their financial requirements, it should be noted that no formal decision can be made in view of the fact that the overall budget for MAP for 2004-2005 is at present being negotiated with countries and will be presented to the MAP Focal Points Meeting in September 2003. It is understood that the decisions on the overall budget will have direct implications on the specific budgets of MED POL and of the other components.

**Agenda item 7. Future orientations and strategies of MED POL: towards MED POL Phase IV**

Considering that, by decision of the Contracting Parties, the Phase III of MED POL had been approved for the period 1996-2005, it is expected that during the biennium 2004-2005 a new Phase of the Programme will be formulated by the Secretariat together with national authorities aiming at its adoption in 2005. Under this Agenda item, the Secretariat will present document UNEP(DEC)/MED WG.231/24 which briefly presents some elements, ideas and hypotheses to be taken into account for the formulation of a Programme for the period 2006-2013. The Meeting is expected to comment on the Secretariat proposal and provide guidance for the work to be implemented during the next biennium.

**Agenda item 8. Other business**

Under this Agenda item, the Meeting will examine and discuss any other business that may be raised by the participants or the Secretariat.

**Agenda item 9. Adoption of the Report of the Meeting**

The Coordinators will examine, amend as necessary and adopt the draft Report of the Meeting, including recommendations to be submitted to the Contracting Parties.

**Agenda item 10. Closure of the Meeting**

The Meeting will be closed by the elected Chairperson at 18,30 hours of 30 May 2003.

### Proposed work plan and time table

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<b>Tuesday, 27 May</b>	
10,00 – 11,00 hours	Agenda items 1., 2., 3., 4.
<i>Coffee break</i>	
11,30 – 13,00 hours	Agenda item 4. (cont'd)
<i>Lunch</i>	
14,30 – 16,00 hours	Agenda item 4. (cont'd)
<i>Coffee break</i>	
16,30 – 18,00 hours	Agenda item 4. (cont'd)
<b>Wednesday, 28 May</b>	
09,30 – 11,00 hours	Agenda item 4. (cont'd)
<i>Coffee break</i>	
11,30 – 13,00 hours	Agenda item 4. (cont'd)
<i>Lunch</i>	
14,30 – 16,00 hours	Agenda item 5.
<i>Coffee break</i>	
16,30 – 18,00 hours	Agenda item 5. (cont'd)
<b>Thursday, 29 May</b>	
09,30 – 11,00 hours	Agenda item 5. (cont'd)
<i>Coffee break</i>	
11,30 – 13,00 hours	Agenda item 5. (cont'd)
<i>Lunch</i>	
14,30 – 16,00 hours	Agenda item 6.
<i>Coffee break</i>	
16,30 – 18,00 hours	Agenda items 7., 8.
<b>Friday, 30 May</b>	
- 13,00 hours	Free. Preparation of Report
<i>Lunch</i>	
14,30 – 16,00 hours	Agenda item 9.
<i>Coffee break</i>	
16,30 – 18,30 hours	Agenda items 9. (cont'd), 10.

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