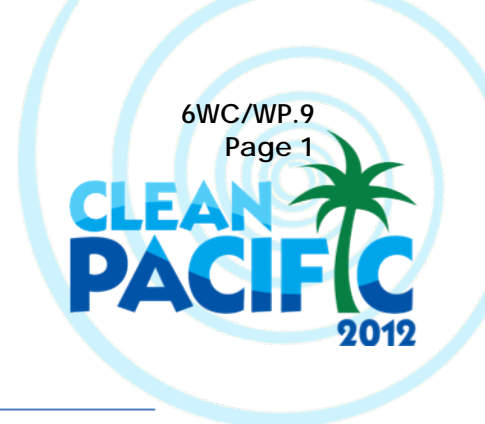




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Noumea, New Caledonia
31st August 2012

Agenda Item 9: Consideration and Adoption of the Core Budget for the Biennium 2013-2014

Purpose

1. To present the core budget for 2013-2014 for consideration and adoption by the Meeting.

Background

2. The budget was prepared in accordance with the Financial Rules of the Convention and is attached as WP.9.1.
3. Two budget options are presented for consideration reflecting costs associated with a decision reached at Agenda Item 8.
4. The status of Parties' contributions to the Convention as at December 2011 is attached as WP.9.2.
5. Long-standing arrears in contributions for many Member countries are present.

Recommendations

6. The Meeting is invited:
 - to **consider** and **approve** the budget and contributions; and
 - to **commit** to meet promptly all outstanding contributions.