



Agreement on the Conservation  
of Albatrosses and Petrels

To: ACAP National Contact Points and MoP7 Meeting Participants

## **MoP7 Meeting Circular 1 - Key Dates, Logistics, Applications for Observer Status, and Provisional Agenda**

### **MoP7 dates and logistics**

The Seventh Session of the ACAP Meeting of the Parties (MoP7), hosted by Australia, will be held in person in Hobart, Tasmania, from 9 to 13 May 2022, provided the three conditions agreed in ACAP ANCP Circular 2021-03 are met by 2 January 2022. Otherwise, MoP7 will be held as a virtual meeting, with Australia as host and Chair.

The three conditions agreed by ACAP Parties in Circular 2021-03 are:

- (i) There are no host government restrictions on holding a meeting which can accommodate all participants consistent with... Rule 3(1) of the MoP Rules of Procedure (in the case of MoP7), and there are no social distancing requirements that would preclude holding such a meeting.*
- (ii) There are no host government restrictions on foreign nationals entering the country of the meeting from any ACAP Parties or acquiring visas, and there are no unduly restrictive quarantine requirements for such entries.*
- (iii) All Members of the Advisory Committee/Parties to the Agreement that wish to attend the meeting confirm that there are no domestic regulations in place or expected to be in place at the time of the meeting that would preclude them and their delegations travelling to the meeting, and that suitable flights are available.*

If MoP7 is convened as a virtual meeting, the Secretariat will (as agreed in ACAP ANCP Circular 2021-03) take responsibility for all logistical arrangements, in consultation with Australia (as MoP Chairperson) and the Advisory Committee Chair (as MoP Vice-Chairperson).

A further MoP7 Circular will be sent to Parties and participants after 2 January 2022 to give additional details about the meeting arrangements. In the case of a virtual meeting, ad hoc guidelines will be proposed for adoption by ACAP Parties to take account of circumstances not envisaged in the MoP Rules of Procedure.

The scheduled dates for MoP7 are Monday 9 to Friday 13 May 2022. A flexible approach to the exact dates might be required in the case of a virtual meeting, given time differences. Key dates leading up to MoP7 are set out below:

### **Key dates**

- 10 Dec 2021 Notification to the Secretariat of proposed amendments to the Agreement or Annexes.
- 2 Jan 2022 Determination whether to convene MoP7 virtually or in person.
- 9 Jan 2022 Implementation Report circulated to Parties.  
Advisory Committee's report on its activities circulated to Parties.
- 8 Feb 2022 Submission of meeting documents requiring translation.
- 10 Mar 2022 Parties' comments on proposals to amend the Agreement or its Annexes submitted to Secretariat.  
Meeting working documents distributed in the three official languages.  
Submission of information papers.
- 10 May 2022 Final date for official credentials to be submitted by Parties' Representatives to the Secretariat.


### **Applications for Observer Status**

The deadlines for submission of requests for Observer status to attend MoP7 are:

- 8 Feb 2022 Submission of written requests for observer status by international bodies
- 10 Mar 2022 International bodies advised if their request for observer status has been approved  
Deadline for submission of written requests for observer status from non-international bodies
- 9 Apr 2022 Non-international bodies advised if their request for observer status has been approved

## **Provisional Agenda**

The Provisional Agenda for MoP7 is attached (Annex 1). In accordance with the requirements of Rule 14 of the MoP Rules of Procedure, Parties are requested to forward any additional agenda items to the Secretariat prior to the opening of MoP7, for inclusion in a supplementary provisional agenda.

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Dr Christine Bogle  
Executive Secretary  
ACAP Secretariat

26 November 2021

## ANNEX 1

<b>Provisional Agenda</b>	
<b>Seventh Session of the Meeting of the Parties to ACAP</b>	
<b>1. Official Opening</b>	
1.1	Official Opening and Opening Statements
<b>2. Procedural Issues</b>	
2.1	Adoption of Agenda
2.2	Amendments to the MoP Rules of Procedure
2.2.1	Rules for intersessional process
2.3	Establishment of Credentials Committee
<b>3. Reports</b>	
3.1	Report of Credentials Committee
3.2	Report of the Depositary
3.3	Reports of Observers
<b>4. Operation of the Secretariat</b>	
4.1	Report of the Secretariat
4.2	Secretariat Work Programme 2023 - 2025
4.3	Review of Staff Regulations
4.4	Review of Financial Regulations
4.5	Executive Secretary position
<b>5. Operation of the Meeting of the Parties</b>	
<b>6. Operation of the Advisory Committee</b>	
6.1	Report of the Advisory Committee
6.1.1	RFMO Engagement Strategy
6.2	Advisory Committee Work Programme 2023 - 2025
<b>7. Operation of the Agreement</b>	
7.1	Report on Implementation of the Agreement
7.2	Criteria for listing and de-listing species in Annex 1
7.3	Proposed Amendment to Annex 1 - listing of new species
7.4	Identification of Priority Actions for Conservation Measures
7.5	Indicators to Measure the Success of the Agreement
7.6	Capacity Building
7.7	Arrangements with Other Organisations
7.8	Financial Report
7.9	Agreement Budget 2023 - 2025
7.10	Scale of Contributions
7.11	National Plans of Action

7.12	Accession of non-Party Range States to the Agreement
<b>8.</b>	<b>Provisional Date and Venue of the Eighth Meeting</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Other Business</b>
9.1	Media Release
<b>10.</b>	<b>Adoption of MoP7 Report</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b>