

SCIENTIFIC GROUP OF THE LONDON
CONVENTION – 40th Meeting; and

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SCIENTIFIC GROUP OF THE LONDON
PROTOCOL – 11th Meeting
27-31 March 2017
Agenda item 1

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**for the fortieth meeting of the Scientific Group under the London Convention and the
eleventh meeting of the Scientific Group under the London Protocol
Monday, 27 March (9.30 a.m.) to Friday, 31 March 2017**

Opening of the meetings

- 1 Adoption of the agenda
- 2 Waste Assessment Guidance
- 3 Marine geoengineering
- 4 CO₂ sequestration in sub-seabed geological formations
- 5 Reporting on dumping activities
- 6 Technical cooperation and assistance
- 7 Monitoring and assessment of the marine environment
- 8 Coastal management issues associated with activities to prevent marine pollution
- 9 Habitat modification and enhancement
- 10 Matters related to radioactive wastes
- 11 Outcome of Science Day
- 12 Guidelines, manuals, bibliographies and information exchange
- 13 Review of the Joint Work Programme
- 14 Any other business
- 15 Election of Officers for both Scientific Groups
- 16 Consideration and adoption of the report

Notes:

1 In accordance with the decision of the twenty-fifth Consultative Meeting that the IMO *Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the Maritime Safety Committee and the Marine Environment Protection Committee and their subsidiary bodies* (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.4/Rev.4) should apply to these meetings, and also the decision of the thirtieth meeting of the LC Scientific Group and the first meeting of the LP Scientific Group:

- .1 documents should be received in the Secretariat as follows:
 - .1 bulky documents (those containing more than six pages) by **Friday, 20 January 2017**;
 - .2 non-bulky documents (those containing six pages or fewer) and also bulky information documents by **Friday, 17 February 2017**; and
 - .3 documents commenting on those referred to in subparagraphs 1 and .2 above and containing four pages or fewer, by **Friday, 3 March 2017** (see also paragraph 6.12.5 of the guidelines);
- .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing, be as concise as possible and:
 - .1 all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with section 6 of the above-mentioned guidelines;
 - .2 substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action that the meetings are invited to take; and
 - .3 information documents should conclude with a summary of the information contained; and
- .3 the following word-processing format should be observed in order to standardize the presentation of documents:
 - font and size: Arial, 11;
 - justification: full;
 - margins: 2 cm top, 2.5 cm bottom, left and right.

A template is available on the IMODOCS website (<http://docs.imo.org>) for use in the preparation of documents.

To facilitate processing, documents should be submitted in Microsoft Word, preferably by email to olcp@imo.org.

2 Further information on relevant procedures, in particular on the distribution and introduction of documents, can be found in Circular Letters No.2995, dated 5 October 2009, on measures to reduce the costs of IMO meetings and meet United Nations climate neutral objectives and No.3087, dated 26 July 2010, on measures to improve the conduct of IMO meetings.

3 Delegations are encouraged to make at least one written submission to the meetings to allow a thorough and transparent discussion on each agenda item, and in particular on practical experiences on implementing the LC or LP and their Guidelines.