



INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR CONSERVATION OF NATURE

13th Meeting of the Bureau of the IUCN Council

in-person in Gland, Switzerland, on Wednesday 15 May 2024 from 8:15 to 09:00 CEST

Summary Minutes

Attendance: see Annex A.

Note: unless mentioned otherwise, the Bureau adopted its decisions by consensus

Agenda Item 1: Introduction by the President and approval of the agenda

The Bureau approved the draft agenda without change.

DECISION B13/1

The Bureau of the IUCN Council,

Adopts the agenda of its 13th meeting (Annex 1).

Agenda Item 2: Nomination of candidates for Election Officer and Deputy Election Officer

On behalf of the Chair of WCEL, Ayman Cherkaoui, Deputy Chair of WCEL, presented the four candidates proposed by WCEL's Steering Committee According in accordance with the ToR of the Election Officer and Deputy Election Officer for the purpose of the Bureau nominating one of them to the IUCN Council as candidate Election Officer and another one as candidate Deputy Election Officer. [Cf. the documents: 1) [Message from the Chair of WCEL 1 May 2024 "WCEL Steering Committee nominations for Election Officer and Deputy Election Officer"](#), and 2) [CVs of the four candidates nominated by WCEL](#) received from the Deputy Chair of WCEL on 12 May 2024]. Ayman Cherkaoui specified that David Forman and Claudia de Windt were members of WCEL's Steering Committee and that the nationalities of the four candidates were as follows: Claudia de Windt: Spain and Dominican Republic; David Forman: US; Gustavo Alanis Ortega: Mexico; Marina Venâncio: Brazil.

Considering that all candidates were excellent and fulfilled all requirements for the positions of Election Officer and Deputy Election Officer and that David Forman and Claudia de Windt had achieved the highest scores in WCEL Steering Committee's selection process, the Bureau decided to recommend both individuals to Council for appointment. The Bureau requested the Deputy Chair of WCEL to consult with both candidates on the question which one of them would accept which position and to report the results to Council on 16 May 2024 under agenda item 6.1.

DECISION B13/2

The Bureau of the IUCN Council,

Having considered the four nominations made by the Steering Committee of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL) in accordance with the ToR of the Election Officer and Deputy Election Officer approved by Bureau decision B12/4 (March 2024),

Recommends to Council the names of David Forman and Claudia de Windt for the purpose of Council appointing one of them as Election Officer and the other one as Deputy Election Officer;

Requests the Deputy Chair of WCEL to consult with both candidates on the question which one of them would accept the position of Election Officer and who would accept the position of Deputy Election Officer, and to report the results to Council on 16 May 2024 under agenda item 6.1.1.

Agenda Item 3: Matrix of deliverables

The IUCN President introduced the "Matrix of deliverables" prepared in cooperation with the Director General as a set of key deliverables for membership, National, Regional and Interregional Committees and Regional Forums, Council, Commissions and DG/Secretariat based on their roles and responsibilities defined in the Statutes with some type of measurement. It is intended as an instrument allowing Council to focus on what the constituent parts are bound to achieve collectively while distinguishing the responsibilities of each constituent part of the Union. [[Matrix of Key Roles and Deliverables 2024-2025 – March 2024](#)]

Following a brief discussion on the feasibility of measurement and the wording of some of the indicators, the Bureau agreed that the President presents the matrix to Council under agenda item 5.5 with some modifications (removing the word “increased” from the 2nd indicator for Council and removing the 2nd indicator for IUCN Members).

Annex A

List of participants

Members of the Bureau:

Attending:

Razan Khalifa Al Mubarak, President, Chair
Ramiro Batzin, Vice-President
Imèn Meliane, Vice-President
Rick Bates, Chair FAC
Sue Lieberman, Chair PPC
Vivek Menon, Chair GCC
Jon Paul Rodriguez, Representative Commission Chairs
Samad-John Smaranda, Councillor elected from the Regions
Jong Soo Yoon, Councillor elected from the Regions
Grethel Aguilar, Director General

Apologies:

Nihal Welikala, Treasurer

Other participants:

Ayman Cherkaoui, Deputy Chair WCEL (invited for agenda item 1)
Sandrine Friedli Cela, Legal Adviser
Luc De Wever, Secretary to Council

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[2024.05.01 WCEL Steering Committee nominations for \(Deputy\) Election Officer.pdf](#)
[Matrix of Key Roles and Deliverables 2024-2025 - March 2024.docx](#)

Dear members of the Bureau,

I am writing on behalf of the IUCN President inviting you to attend a short meeting of the Bureau on Wednesday 15 May from 8 to 9 AM at IUCN's Conservation Centre in Gland (room Wetlands) to discuss the following topics:

1. Nomination of candidates for Election Officer and Deputy Election Officer.

According to the ToR (attached herewith): *"The Steering Committee of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL) will nominate to the Bureau of the IUCN Council four (4) candidates for the purpose of the Bureau nominating one of them to the IUCN Council as candidate Election Officer and another one as candidate Deputy Election Officer."* This topic is on the agenda of C111 as item 6.1.1.

Also attached herewith are the four candidates proposed by WCEL's steering committee. (I have removed the fifth name as Christina Voigt made it clear that WCEL wanted to submit only four names and in order to protect the individual's privacy)

As requested by the President, I will invite Ayman Cherkaoui, Deputy Chair of WCEL who will stand in for Christina Voigt who has sent apologies for C111, to attend this part of the Bureau meeting in person. I will ask him to provide the candidates' CV in advance of the Bureau meeting.

2. Matrix of deliverables

This topic is on the agenda of C111 as item 5.5 in accordance with the [Summary Minutes C110, November 2023, p 9](#) which read as follows:

"The IUCN President, echoing the positivity and calling for continuing to work within these values, said there was consensus to create a set of key reporting indicators and a clear matrix of key roles and responsibilities for key "deliverables" for membership, existing and future Council members, and Secretariat staff and DG ahead of Congress in 2025 in order to demonstrate what we collectively achieve as an organization. [The President] will work with the DG to present a proposal to Bureau before submitting it to Council for approval at its next meeting"

Attached herewith is the draft which the Director General proposed to the President.

My team will organize your transportation by car from the hotel to IUCN HQ, departing from the hotel at 7.40 AM. Breakfast will be available in the meeting room (coffee, tea, juice, croissants, fruit and yoghurt).

Best regards,

Luc De Wever
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Secretary to Council

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