

## **The First Conference of Parties (COP) under the Stockholm convention**

will take place at Punta del Este, Uruguay from May 2-6.

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### **The Provisional Agenda**

1. Opening of the meeting.

2. Organizational matters:

Election of officers;

Adoption of the agenda;

Organization of work.

3. Adoption of the rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties and its subsidiary bodies.

4. Report on the credentials of representatives to the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

5. Report on the achievements of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for an International Legally Binding Instrument for Implementing International Action on Certain Persistent Organic Pollutants.

6. Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties:

Measures to reduce or eliminate release from intentional production and use:

(i) DDT;

(ii) Specific exemptions and related issues;

Measures to reduce or eliminate releases from unintentional production:

(i) Guidelines on best available techniques and best environmental practices;

(ii) Identification and quantification of releases;

Measures to reduce or eliminate releases from wastes: technical guidelines for the environmentally sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

Implementation plans;

Terms of reference of the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee;

Information exchange;

Technical assistance;

Financial resources, mechanisms and related financial arrangements;

Reporting;

Effectiveness evaluation;

Non-compliance;

Settlement of disputes: rules on arbitration and conciliation;

Financial rules for the Conference of the Parties and any subsidiary bodies, as well as the financial provisions governing the functioning of the Secretariat;

Secretariat location;

Liability and redress.

7. Activities of the Secretariat and adoption of the budget.
8. Other matters.
9. Adoption of the report.
10. Closure of the meeting.