

BC-15/29: Dates and venue of the next meetings of the conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions

The Conference of the Parties

1. *Notes* with appreciation the offer by the Government of the Bahamas to host the next meetings of the conferences of the Parties to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal, the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade and the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants in 2023 in the Bahamas;
2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to enter into consultations with the Government of the Bahamas with a view to agreeing on satisfactory arrangements and concluding a host country agreement for hosting the meetings of the Conferences of the Parties from 8 to 19 May 2023;
3. *Agrees*, subject to the satisfactory conclusion of a host country agreement between the Government of the Bahamas and the Executive Secretary on arrangements for the meetings of the conferences of the Parties, to convene these meetings back to back in the Bahamas in 2023;
4. *Decides* that the meetings will include joint sessions, where appropriate, on joint issues and that the meetings will not include a high-level segment;
5. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, in order to assist Parties in preparing for the back-to-back meetings, to support, subject to the availability of resources, regional meetings, coordinated with other regional meetings, to assist regional preparatory processes;
6. *Invites* Parties to submit offers to host the 2025 meetings of the conferences of the Parties, if possible by 1 March 2023, for consideration during the meetings of the conferences of the Parties in 2023.