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4th Negotiation Meeting of the ICZM Protocol to the Nairobi Convention 25-27 March 2019, Dar es Salaam

- The Sixth Conference of Parties (CoP 6)(2010) through Decision CP6/3 mandated the drafting process of the Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) to the Nairobi Convention
- The Drafting Phase of the ICZM Protocol took place largely during the 2010-2012 period, and was a collaboration between the UNEP, Nairobi Convention and the Indian Ocean Commission(IOC) through the Re COMAP Project.

- In decision *CP7/3* on '*Development* of a *Protocol* on *Integrated Coastal Zone Management*', the Contracting Parties of the Nairobi Convention agreed to negotiate a protocol on integrated coastal zone management and present an agreed text for consideration for possible adoption at the next Conference of Parties serving as the Conference of Plenipotentiaries.
- The Contracting Parties also requested the Secretariat to facilitate meetings on negotiations on the protocol and the Conference of Plenipotentiaries.

• In accordance with that mandate, the first negotiation meeting on the text of the Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management in Western Indian Ocean Region was held on 25 and 26 September 2013 in Cape Town, South Africa.

• In Decision CP8/3: Development of a Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management, the Contracting Parties of the Nairobi Convention requested the Secretariat to review the current status of the draft Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management in collaboration with Contracting Parties and other partners and facilitate discussions to explore other possible options for the effective management of the marine and coastal environment and report back on the options at or before the next Conference of Parties.

• In accordance with that mandate, the Second Negotiation Meeting on the Text of the First Draft of the ICZM Protocol of the Nairobi Convention was held on the 21-22 March 2016 in Mauritius.

- During the Second Negotiations Meeting, articles 4 to 19 of the first draft of the ICZM Protocol were discussed. The articles that were not discussed in the second negotiation meeting include 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27 as well the Preamble, Article 1 (Definitions of Terms), Article 2 (Geographical Scope) and Article 3 (The Purpose of the Protocol).
- There was also the suggestion of the **addition of annexes** to some articles to provide more details on some articles and to de-congest some articles.

- The Third Negotiation Meeting was held at the Double Tree by Hilton, Stone Town Zanzibar on the 21-24 November 2016 and discussed the articles 20 to 27 and the Preamble of the 2nd negotiated draft ICZM Protocol.
- The Third Negotiation Meeting was a continuation of the Second Negotiation Meeting, recorded significant progress, but left certain articles and aspects of the Protocol pending.

• *CoP 9*(*4*) of the Nairobi Convention **August 2018 in Mombasa** noted the progress made in the negotiation process and requested the Secretariat to organize the final negotiations of the ICZM Protocol to agree on the text and convene the Conference of Plenipotentiaries on or before the next Conference of Parties.

- The 4th Negotiation Meeting is intended to mop up all outstanding issues of the draft ICZM Protocol and produce an agreed text for the Conference of Plenipotentiaries.
- The outstanding issues in the various articles that need attention of the 4th Negotiation Meeting are highlighted below.

Summary of outstanding Articles and Issues

- **Preamble**: Certain aspects and paragraphs of the preamble were not concluded,
- Article 1: Definition of terms, one outstanding issue on the definition of "region"
- Outstanding areas in articles 4bis,

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- Article 6: Objectives of ICZM,
- Article 8: ICZM frameworks, including indicators,
- Article 9: ICZM Tools and Instruments, including the draft Annex I
- Article 10: Coastal setback lines
- Article 13: Awareness, Education and Capacity building,

Summary of outstanding Articles and issues

- Article 14: Monitoring and Evaluation
- Article 15: Conservation and Rehabilitation of Coastal Ecosystems,
- Article 16: Climate change and Variability in the Coastal Zone,
- Article 17: Disaster Risk Management

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- Article 19: Bilateral and Multilateral Cooperation, and
- Article 20: Secretariat and Coordination Mechanisms
- Article 21:Financial matters
- Article 22: National Focal Points,
- Draft Annex 1 on ICZM Tools and Instruments
- Draft Annex 2 on Terms of reference for National Points

•Thank You, Merci, Asante