

**Framework Convention
for the Protection of the Marine
Environment of the Caspian Sea**

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Convention Work Programme

DRAFT PROGRAMME OF WORK

June 2007 – May 2008

(time period between first and second Meetings of the Conference of the Parties)

No.	Timeframe	Description of activity	Expected outputs	Leading Organizations/ Governments	Funding indication
1.	Sept. 07 – April 08	Development of Convention Action Plan	Draft Convention Action Plan developed ready to be endorsed and signed at the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties	Parties to the Convention serviced by the interim Secretariat and supported by UNDP/GEF and EU	GEF and EU funds
2.	June 07 – April 08	Development of National Convention Implementation Plans	Draft National Implementation Plans developed	Parties to the Convention serviced by the Interim Secretariat and supported by UNDP/GEF and EU	GEF and EU funds, external funds

3.	<u>July – Dec.</u> 07	<u>Partnership with the oil industry</u>	<u>- MoU with the oil industry regarding environmental partnership in the Caspian Sea</u> <u>- Project dealing with health, safety and environment forum, data and information centre and regional environmental programme</u>	<u>Interim Secretariat supported by UNDP/GEF</u>	<u>Oil industry and UNDP/GEF</u>
4.	Oct. 07	Regional Protocol Meeting	Finalized and harmonized Protocols on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biodiversity Conservation Protocol Protocol for the Protection of the Caspian Sea against <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pollution from Land based sources [and Activities] - Protocol on Environmental Impact Assessment in - Transboundary Context 	Parties to the Convention serviced by the Interim Secretariat and supported by UNDP/GEF and EU	GEF and EU funds, external funding
5.	Sept. 07 – May 08	Regional Expert Meetings – other possible Protocols (subject to availability of funds)	Potential draft protocol/protocols developed.	Parties to the Convention serviced by the Interim Secretariat and supported by UNDP/GEF and EU	external funding
6.	Feb. 08	Regional Preparatory Meeting for the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties	Agenda and major documents for the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties developed and reviewed, including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programme-budget for 2008-2009 • Report on arrangements for the Convention permanent Secretariat, and other institutional matters • Progress report on the preparation of Convention Protocols • Protocols ready for adoption and signing 	Interim Secretariat facilitating and reporting on the outcome of consultations between Parties to the Convention supported by UNDP/GEF and EU	GEF and EU funds, external funding
7.	June 08	Second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties	Decision on, <i>inter alia</i> , arrangements for the Tehran Convention Secretariat, Convention Action Plan and	Interim Secretariat facilitating and reporting on the outcome of	Host Government; GEF and EU funds,

			Convention Budget, Protocols	consultations between Parties to the Convention supported by UNDP/GEF and EU	external funding
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