

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.	July – Dec. 07	Partnership with the oil industry	Framework agreement for environmental partnership between BP and CEP to foster Convention implementation	Interim Secretariat supported by UNDP/GEF	Oil industry and UNDP/GEF
4.	Oct. 07	Regional Protocol Meeting	Finalized and harmonized Protocols on: - Biodiversity Conservation - Protection of the Caspian Sea against Pollution from Land based sources [and Activities] - 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	Assessment of ways and means to address fisheries issue in the Caspian Sea	Scoping paper on the interrelationship between the fisheries and the protection of the marine environment of the Caspian Sea	Interim Secretariat supported by UNDP/GE, EU and FAO	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 Convention Budget, Protocols	Interim Secretariat facilitating and reporting on the outcome of consultations between Parties to the Convention supported by UNDP/GEF and EU	Host Government; GEF and EU funds, external funding