

**40TH SESSION - UNESCO GENERAL CONFERENCE
SUMMARY OF DEBATES
DELEGATES INFORMATION BUREAU**

SC COMMISSION

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| Date | Monday 18 November | Room | II |
| N° meeting | First Meeting | Hour | From: 10:00 a.m. To: 1:00 p.m. |
| Chairperson(s) | Mr Stephen Simukanga | Country | Zambia |

SUMMARY OF DEBATE(S)

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| Items examined | <p>Election of the Bureau of the Commission Adoption of the timetable of work of the Commission Item 5.4 – Establishment of category 2 institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO Item 5.13 – Proclamation of an international day of mathematics Item 5.21 – Proclamation of a world engineering day for sustainable development Item 5.33 – Proclamation of an International Year of Basic Sciences for Development in 2022 Item 5.19 – Revision of the Statutes of the Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme (IHP) Item 5.20 – Technical, financial and legal aspects of the desirability of a recommendation on open sciences (not completed in the morning session)</p> | | |
| Debate no | | Debate status | Start |
| Related documents | <p>Item 5.4: 40 C/18 Parts V, VI, VII, VIII, IX Item 5.13: 40 C/27 Item 5.21: 40 C/64 Item 5.33: 40 C/76 Item 5.19: 40 C/62 and Corr. , 40 C/LEG/15 Item 5.20: 40 C/63 and Add.</p> | | |
| DRs examined | <p>Draft resolution for the Establishment in Tehran, the Islamic Republic of Iran, of a “Regional Education and Research Center on Earthquake Risk Management and Resilience for West And Central Asia” at the International Institute Of Earthquake Engineering and Seismology (IIEES) as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO (40 C/18 Part V).</p> <p>Draft resolution for the Establishment in Jeju Island, Republic of Korea, of a “Global Research and Training Centre for Internationally Designated Areas (GCIDA)” as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO (40 C/18 Part VI)</p> <p>Draft resolution for the Establishment of an International Centre for Interdisciplinary Research on Water System Dynamics (ICIReWaRD–Montpellier) as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO (40 C/18 Part VII)</p> <p>Draft resolution for the Establishment of the “Regional Experimental Centre for Sanitation Technologies” (CERTS), in Canelones, Uruguay as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO. (40 C/18 Part VIII)</p> <p>Draft resolution for the Establishment in Reykjavik, Iceland, of an “International Centre for Capacity Development – Sustainable Use of Natural Resources and Societal Change” as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO (40 C/18 Part IX)</p> <p>Draft resolution on Proclamation of an international day of mathematics (40 C/27)</p> | | |

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| | <p>Draft resolution on Proclamation of a world engineering day for sustainable development (40 C/64)</p> <p>Draft resolution on Proclamation of an International Year of Basic Sciences for Development in 2022 (40 C/76)</p> <p>Draft resolution on Revision of the Statutes of the Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme (IHP) (40 C/62 and Corr. , 40 C/LEG/15)</p> |
| Countries that took floor | <p>Item 5.13: Togo, Slovenia, South Africa, Nigeria, UEA, Iran, China,</p> <p>Item 5.21: Netherlands, Belgium, France, Ghana, Sudan, Canada, Mozambique, Gambia, Egypt,</p> <p>Item 5.33: France, Ghana, United Arab Emirates, Uganda, Azerbaijan, Vietnam, Angola, Russian Federation, Iran, Kenya, Botswana, China</p> <p>Item 5.19: Egypt, Morocco, France, Norway, Russian Federation, Turkey, Zambia, Germany, Sudan, Austria, Senegal, Kenya, China, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Iran, Namibia, Nigeria, Belgium, Ghana, Uganda, Slovenia, Côte d'Ivoire,</p> <p>Item 5.20: Finland, Netherlands, Lebanon, Norway (continued in the second session)</p> |
| Summary of debate | <p>The Chair of the Nominations Committee announced the results of the Nominations Committee's election for the SC Commission.</p> <p>The Chair (Zambia) and four rapporteurs (Canada, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Mongolia and Lebanon) were elected.</p> <p>The Chair, Mr Stephen Simukanga (Zambia) took the floor to open the Commission.</p> <p>Following his opening remarks, the Chair proposed the organization and methods of work of the Commission. The timetable of work was adopted with no changes.</p> <p>Five countries took the floor on item 5.13</p> <p>Nine countries took the floor on item 5.21</p> <p>Twelve countries took the floor for Item 5.33</p> <p>Twenty-two countries took the floor for item 5.19</p> <p>Four countries took the floor in Item 5.20</p> <p>On item 5.4, the Commission recommended adoption by the General Conference of five category two centres by adopting the related draft resolutions without amendment.</p> <p>On item 5.13, the Commission recommended adoption by the General Conference of the draft resolution, with amendments</p> <p>On item 5.21, the Commission recommended the adoption by the General Conference of the draft resolution, with amendments</p> <p>On Item 5.33, the Commission recommended the adoption by the General Conference of the draft resolution, with amendments</p> <p>On item 5.19, the Commission recommended the adoption by the General Conference of the draft resolution, with amendments.</p> <p>Debate on item 5.20 started and will be completed in the second meeting.</p> |

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| Date | Monday 18 November | Room | II |
| N° meeting | Second meeting | Hour | From: 3:00 pm To: 6:00 p.m. |
| Items to be examined | Item 5.20 – Technical, financial and legal aspects of the desirability of a recommendation on open sciences Item 4.2 – Consideration and adoption of the Draft Programme and Budget for 2020-2021 (40 C/5) Part II.A: Major Programme II – Natural Sciences | | |
| Debate no | | Debate status | |
| Related documents | Item 5.20: 40 C/63 and Add. Item 4.2 40 C/5 and Corrigenda, 40 C/6 and Add., 40 C/840 C/REP/10-14 | | |
| DRs to be examined | Item. 5.20 - Draft resolution on technical, financial and legal aspects of the desirability of a recommendation on open sciences Item 4.2 - Draft resolution proposed in paragraph 02000 of Volume 1 of document 40 C/5 concerning Major Programme II – Natural Sciences - Draft Resolution proposed in paragraph 02100 of Volume 1 of document 40 C/5 | | |