



World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies (WOCAT) – related decisions by the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) 15th session of the Conference of Parties (COP15)

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Decision 9/COP.15 - Collaboration with the Global Environment Facility

The Conference of the Parties [...] recommends the Global Environment Facility to promote, as appropriate, the use of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification-designated World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies database into the Global Environment Facility projects and programmes to support knowledge-sharing and the dissemination of sustainable land management best practices;

Decision 11/COP.15 - Improving the procedures for communication of information as well as the quality and formats of reports to be submitted to the Conference of the Parties

The Conference of the Parties [...] encourages Parties to: [...] provide United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification-relevant information and good practices to the designated World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies database, where appropriate;

Decision 19/COP.15 - Interfacing science and policy: The Science-Policy Interface, the dissemination and accessibility of best practices, and the UNCCD Knowledge Hub

The Conference of the Parties [...] Acknowledging the continuing efforts by the secretariat and the World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies in promoting the analysis, dissemination and accessibility of sustainable land management best practices and developing tools relevant for United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification stakeholders; Welcoming the renewed partnership between the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and the World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies aimed at implementing the renewed World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies strategy (WOCAT 2020+) in line with the knowledge needs of United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification stakeholders;

[...] Also requests the secretariat, subject to the availability of resources, to continue the collaboration with the World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies, facilitating an exchange of knowledge on sustainable land management between United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification stakeholders globally;

Decision 20/COP.15 - Policy-oriented recommendations resulting from the cooperation with other intergovernmental scientific panels and bodies

The Conference of the Parties [...] Requests the secretariat, the Global Mechanism and the Science-Policy Interface and invites the designated World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies Database, as well as other relevant agencies/bodies of multilateral environmental agreements, acting within their respective mandates, subject to the availability of resources, to explore options for targeted capacity-building and development and knowledge and technology transfer to support approaches to the implementation of the Convention that can simultaneously address desertification/land degradation and drought, sand and dust storms, support climate change mitigation and adaptation, and contribute to conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and sustaining livelihoods;

Decision 24/COP.15 - Follow-up on policy frameworks and thematic issues: Gender

The Conference of the Parties [...] Encourages the secretariat, subject to the availability of funds, to continue collaboration with the World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies to enhance the implementation of the Gender Action Plan and its road map, including to generate gender-disaggregated data, to inform gender-responsive policy design for achieving land degradation neutrality;