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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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Contact: environment@consilium.europa.eu  
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Subject: Informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on International Environment Issues (WPIEI Desertification)  
Date: 11 February 2026  
Time: 10:00  
Venue: Videoconference

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1. Roadmap for the work under the Cyprus Presidency  
= *Information from the Presidency*
2. Report from the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties (COP) and the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention (CRIC)  
= *Information from the Bureau members*
3. CRIC 23 of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) (1–5 December 2025, Panama City, Panama): Report on the main outcomes  
= *Information from the CRIC23 Bureau members and discussion*
4. Preparations of UNCCD COP17 (17-28 August 2026, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia):
  - 4.1 Organisational matters and indicative burden sharing table  
= *Information from the Presidency and discussion*

4.2 Geopolitical context

= *Information from the Presidency and the European External Action Service (EEAS) and discussion*

4.3 Environmentally harmful subsidies

= *Information from the Presidency and discussion*

5. Intergovernmental Working Group on the Future Strategic Framework (IWG FSF)

5.1 Update on the first in-person meeting of the IWG FSF and ongoing work strands (including the outline of paper on future financing)

= *Information from the Commission and Lead Expert*

5.2 Request for inputs from the Regional Groups on possible key elements for consideration into the future strategic framework of the UNCCD

= *Information from the Presidency and COP Bureau member and discussion*

6. Process on drought

6.1. Second Meeting of the Tafa’ul Process on Drought Resilience – (09-11 February 2026, Bonn, Germany)

= *Information from the Presidency, Commission and other participants to the Tafa’ul meeting and discussion*

6.2. EU and its Member States contribution to the process on drought

= *Information from the Presidency and discussion*

7. Possible in-person event(s) to be considered for 16 and/or 17 June 2026 in Brussels

= *Information from the Presidency and discussion*

8. Any other business

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