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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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Subject: Informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on  
International Environment Issues (WPIEI Desertification)

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Date: 16 September 2025

Time: 10:00

Venue: Videoconference

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1. Report from the COP and CRIC  
= *Information from the Bureau members*
  
2. Preparation for the twenty-third session of the Committee for the Review of the  
Implementation of the Convention of the United Nations Convention to Combat  
Desertification (UNCCD CRIC 23) (Panama City, Panama, 1–5 December 2025):
  - a) Organisational matters  
= *Information from the Presidency*
  
  - b) CRIC23 Agenda  
= *Exchange of information and discussion*
  
  - c) CRIC 23 burden sharing and draft position papers  
= *Information from the Presidency and discussion*

3. Declaration of EU as an Affected Party  
= *Discussion*
4. Update from the IWG on the Future Strategic Framework  
= *Information from Commission*
5. Update on EU work on Drought
  - a) Report from the Drought Workshop on 26 June 2025
  - b) Update from Drought Expert Group= Exchange of information
6. Any other business

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