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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Contact:	environment@consilium.europa.eu
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Subject:	Informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on International Environment Issues (Whaling) (morning only)
Date:	20 April 2026
Time:	09:00
Venue:	Videoconference

1. Preparations for the 70th meeting of the International Whaling Commission (IWC 70) (Hobart, Australia, 28 September - 2 October 2026)
 - a) State of play of preparations for IWC70 and 80th Anniversary
= *Information from the IWC Chair and Australia's Commissioner*
 - b) Report from the Bureau
= *Information from the Bureau member*
 - c) 70th session of the Scientific Committee (SC70)
(Bled, Slovenia, 27 April - 8 May 2026)
= *Information from members*
 - d) Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, in relation to matters falling within its competence, at the next three meetings of the International Whaling
= *Presentation by the Commission*
 - e) Proposals for EU and its Member States resolutions
= *Exchange of information*

2. Outcome of the 15th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS COP 15) (Campo Grande, Brazil, 23 - 29 March 2026)
= *Information from the Presidency*
 3. Any other business
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