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Introduction

1. The report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its thirty-third session is presented to the General Conference in accordance with Article 9.4 (c) of the Constitution. The summary records of the Board (IDB.33/SR.1-5), where the details of the proceedings are contained, form an integral part of the present report.

2. The following decisions of the Board, reproduced in annex I, are related to the work of the General Conference at its twelfth session:

- IDB.33/Dec.3 Scale of assessments, 2008-2009
- IDB.33/Dec.4 Working Capital Fund, 2008-2009
- IDB.33/Dec.5 Accounting standards
- IDB.33/Dec.6 Programme and budgets, 2008-2009
- IDB.33/Dec.7 Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management
- IDB.33/Dec.8 Personnel matters
- IDB.33/Dec.11 Preparations for the General Conference

I. Organizational and procedural matters

3. The thirty-third session of the Board was held at UNIDO Headquarters, Vienna International Centre, from 25 to 27 June 2007 (5 plenary meetings – see IDB.33/SR.1-5).

Participation

4. All 53 members of the Board were represented at the session: Afghanistan, Algeria, Austria, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Czech Republic, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Luxembourg, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Paraguay, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay, Zimbabwe.

5. The following 42 Member States of UNIDO also participated in the session: Albania, Angola, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Cape Verde, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, Gambia, Hungary, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Lesotho, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malaysia, Malta, Mongolia, Namibia, Oman, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Rwanda, Serbia, Slovenia, Sudan, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen.

6. The Holy See participated as observer.

7. Palestine participated as observer.
8. The Sovereign Military Order of Malta participated as observer.
9. The following United Nations specialized agencies were represented: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).
10. The following other intergovernmental organizations were represented: African Union, European Commission, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), International Institute of Refrigeration (IIR), International Organization for Migration (IOM), League of Arab States (LAS).
11. The following non-governmental organizations were represented: Arab Iron and Steel Union (AISU), Association of Former United Nations Industry and Development Experts (AFIDE), Austro-Egyptian Chamber of Commerce, Institut Supérieur de Gestion (ISG), International Association ZNANIE, International Council of Women (ICW), Soroptimist International (SI), World Association for Small and Medium Enterprises (WASME).

Opening of the session

12. The thirty-third session of the Board was declared open by the President of the thirty-second session, Mr. A. A. Soltanieh (Iran, Islamic Republic of).

Officers of the session

13. In accordance with rule 23 of the rules of procedure, the Board elected by acclamation Mr. V. Zagrekov (Russian Federation) as President, Mr. E. Koffi (Côte d'Ivoire), Mr. L. A. Padilla Menéndez (Guatemala) and Mr. O. Lundby (Norway) as Vice-Presidents, and Ms. S. Tangkittikhun (Thailand) as Rapporteur.

Agenda of the session

14. The Board adopted the following agenda:
 1. Election of officers.
 2. Adoption of the agenda.
 3. Annual report of the Director-General for 2006.
 4. Report of the Programme and Budget Committee:
 - (a) Interim report of the External Auditor, including the implementation of the recommendations of the External Auditor for the biennium 2004-2005; financial performance report and programme performance report for the biennium 2006-2007;
 - (b) Financial situation of UNIDO;
 - (c) Scale of assessments for apportionment of the regular budget expenses for the biennium 2008-2009;

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- (d) Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2008-2009;
 - (e) Accounting standards;
 - (f) Financial regulations;
 - (g) Mobilization of financial resources;
 - (h) Appointment of an External Auditor.
5. Programme and budgets, 2008-2009.
 6. United Nations system-wide coherence.
 7. UNIDO's cooperation with international partner organizations, particularly FAO, UNEP and ILO.
 8. Implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with UNDP.
 9. Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2006-2009, including:
 - (a) South-South cooperation;
 - (b) Regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean;
 - (c) UNIDO access to the Global Environment Facility.
 10. Activities of the Joint Inspection Unit.
 11. Personnel matters.
 12. Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations.
 13. Number and duration of sessions.
 14. Preparations for the twelfth session of the General Conference.
 15. Provisional agenda and date of the thirty-fourth session.
 16. Adoption of the report.
15. The Board adopted a proposal by the President to ensure the maximum utilization of available conference-servicing resources (see annex I, decision IDB.33/Dec.1, IDB.33/SR.1, paras. 69 and 70).
16. The Board decided to set up informal in-session consultations with the aim of facilitating the drafting of decisions and entrusted Vice-President Mr. L. A. Padilla Menéndez (Guatemala) to chair those consultations (see IDB.33/SR.2, paras. 1 and 2).

II. Annual report of the Director-General for 2006 (item 3); Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2006-2009, including:

- (a) South-South cooperation;**
- (b) Regional programme for Latin America and the
Caribbean;**
- (c) UNIDO access to the Global Environment Facility
(item 9)**

17. The Board decided to discuss simultaneously items 3 and 9. The debate on these items is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.2, paragraphs 3 to 86 .

A. Annual report of the Director-General for 2006

18. Under item 3, the Board had before it the *Annual Report of UNIDO 2006*, including the programme performance report (IDB.33/2). At the proposal of the President, the Board took note of the documentation provided (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 6 and 7).

B. Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2006-2009, including:

- (a) South-South cooperation;**
- (b) Regional programme for Latin America and the
Caribbean;**
- (c) UNIDO access to the Global Environment Facility
(item 9)**

19. Under item 9, the Board had before it a report by the Director-General on the implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2006-2009, including South-South cooperation, regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean and UNIDO access to the Global Environment Facility (IDB.33/17). At the proposal of the President, the Board took note of the documentation provided (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 32 and 33).

III. Report of the Programme and Budget Committee (item 4)

20. Under item 4, the Board decided to discuss simultaneously sub-items (a) to (h). The debate on these sub-items is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.3, paragraphs 20 to 54. The Board had before it the report of the Programme and Budget Committee on the work of its twenty-third session (IDB.33/19) and the documents mentioned under A to H below.

A. Interim report of the External Auditor, including the implementation of the recommendations of the External Auditor for the biennium 2004-2005; financial performance report and programme performance report for the biennium 2006-2007

21. Under sub-item 4 (a), the Board had before it the interim report of the External Auditor (IDB.33/8), the interim financial performance report for the biennium 2006-2007 submitted by the Director-General (IDB.33/9) and the programme performance report for 2006 which is included in the *Annual Report of UNIDO 2006* (IDB.33/2). At the proposal of the President, the Board took note of the documentation provided (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 8 and 9).

B. Financial situation of UNIDO

22. Under sub-item 4 (b), the Board had before it a report by the Director-General on the financial situation of UNIDO (IDB.33/10) and updated information on the status of assessed contributions (IDB.33/CRP.2). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.2) and adopted decision IDB.33/Dec.2 (see annex I).

C. Scale of assessments for apportionment of the regular budget expenses for the biennium 2008-2009

23. Under sub-item 4 (c), the Board had before it a note by the Secretariat on the scale of assessments for apportionment of the regular budget expenses for the biennium 2008-2009 (IDB.33/3). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.3) and adopted decision IDB.33/Dec.3 (see annex I).

D. Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2008-2009

24. Under sub-item 4 (d), the Board had before it proposals by the Director-General on the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2008-2009 (IDB.33/4). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.4) and adopted decision IDB.33/Dec.4 (see annex I).

E. Accounting standards

25. Under sub-item 4 (e), the Board had before it a note by the Secretariat on International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IDB.33/5). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.5) and adopted decision IDB.33/Dec.5 (see annex I).

F. Financial regulations

26. Under sub-item 4 (f), the Board took note of the entry contained in the annotated agenda (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 18 and 19).

G. Mobilization of financial resources

27. Under sub-item 4 (g), the Board had before it information on the mobilization of financial resources contained in the *Annual Report of UNIDO 2006* (IDB.33/2, chapter 2.C). At the proposal of the President, the Board took note of the documentation provided (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 20 and 21).

H. Appointment of an External Auditor

28. Under sub-item 4 (h), the Board had before it two reports by the Director-General on candidatures for the appointment of an External Auditor (IDB.33/6 and Add.1). At the proposal of the President, the Board took note of the documentation provided (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 22 and 23).

IV. Programme and budgets, 2008-2009 (item 5)

29. Under item 5, the Board had before it proposals by the Director-General on programme and budgets, 2008-2009 (IDB.33/7 and Corr.1), a report on the implementation of Programme and Budget conclusion 2007/2 submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. A. Shaghghi (Iran, Islamic Republic of) (IDB.33/21 and Add.1) and PBC conclusion 2007/2. The debate on this item is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.3, paragraphs 55 to 74. The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.6) and adopted decision IDB.33/Dec.6 (see annex I).

V. United Nations system-wide coherence (item 6); UNIDO's cooperation with international partner organizations, particularly FAO, ILO and UNEP (item 7); Implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with UNDP (item 8)

30. The Board decided to discuss simultaneously items 6, 7 and 8. The debate on these items is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.3, paragraphs 75 to 120.

A. United Nations system-wide coherence

31. Under item 6, the Board had before it a conference room paper on United Nations system-wide coherence (IDB.33/CRP.6). At the proposal of the President, the Board took note of the documentation provided (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 26 and 27).

B. UNIDO's cooperation with international partner organizations, particularly FAO, ILO and UNEP

32. Under item 7, the Board had before it a note by the Secretariat on the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (IDB.33/20) and a conference

room paper on cooperation with international partner organizations, particularly FAO, ILO and UNEP (IDB.33/CRP.3). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.7) and adopted decision IDB.33/Dec.7 (see annex I).

C. Implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with UNDP

33. Under item 8, the Board had before it a report by the Director-General on the implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with UNDP (IDB.33/16). At the proposal of the President, the Board took note of the documentation provided (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 30 and 31).

VI. Activities of the Joint Inspection Unit (item 10)

34. Under item 10, the Board had before it a report by the Director-General on the activities of the Joint Inspection Unit (IDB.33/15). The debate on this item is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.4, paragraphs 1 to 8. At the proposal of the President, the Board took note of the documentation provided (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 34 and 35).

VII. Personnel matters (item 11)

35. Under item 11, the Board had before it a report by the Director-General on personnel matters (IDB.33/18) and a conference room paper entitled "List of staff of the UNIDO Secretariat" (IDB.33/CRP.4). The debate on this item is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.4, paragraphs 9 and 10. The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.8) and adopted decision IDB.33/Dec.8 (see annex I).

VIII. Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations (item 12)

36. Under item 12, the Board had before it two notes by the Director-General on applications from non-governmental organizations for consultative status (IDB.33/13) and information on intergovernmental organizations (IDB.33/14). The debate on this item is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.4, paragraphs 11 to 14. The Board considered two draft decisions submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.9 and L.10) and adopted decisions IDB.33/Dec.9 and IDB.33/Dec.10 (see annex I).

IX. Number and duration of sessions (item 13)

37. Under item 13, the Board had before it a note by the Secretariat on the number and duration of sessions (IDB.33/11). The debate on this item is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.4, paragraphs 15 to 20. At the proposal of the President,

the Board took note of the documentation provided (IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 38 and 39).

X. Preparations for the twelfth session of the General Conference (item 14)

38. Under item 14, the Board had before it a report by the Director-General on preparations for the twelfth session of the General Conference (IDB.33/12). The debate on this item is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.4, paragraph 21. The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.11) and adopted decision IDB.33/Dec.11 (see annex I).

XI. Provisional agenda and date of the thirty-fourth session (item 15)

39. Under item 15, the Board had before it a note by the Director-General on the provisional agenda and date of the thirty-fourth session (IDB.33/CRP.5). The debate on this item is reflected in summary record IDB.33/SR.4, paragraph 22. The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.33/L.12) and adopted decision IDB.33/Dec.12 (see annex I).

XII. Adoption of the report (item 16)

40. Under item 16, the Board considered the draft report (IDB.33/L.1) and adopted it as a whole with the understanding that the Rapporteur would be entrusted with the task of finalizing the report (see summary record IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 44 to 46).

XIII. Closure of the session

41. On 27 June 2007, at 10:55 a.m., the Board closed its thirty-third session (see IDB.33/SR.5, paras. 47 to 61).

Annex I

Decisions adopted by the Board at its thirty-third session

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IDB.33/Dec.1 Utilization of available conference-servicing resources

The Industrial Development Board, with the aim of utilizing the available conference-servicing resources to the maximum extent possible, decided to suspend with immediate effect rule 32 of its rules of procedure relating to the quorum, for the meetings of its thirty-third session only, provided no substantive decisions were taken at those meetings.

*1st plenary meeting
25 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.2 Financial situation of UNIDO

The Industrial Development Board:

- (a) Took note of the information provided in document IDB.33/10;
- (b) Welcomed the highest collection rate of 93.7 per cent, recorded in 2006;
- (c) Urged those Member States and former Member States that had not yet paid their assessed contributions, including advances to the Working Capital Fund and prior years' arrears, to do so without delay;
- (d) Requested the Director-General to pursue his efforts and contacts with Member States and former Member States to effect the collection of arrears.

*5th plenary meeting
27 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.3 Scale of assessments, 2008-2009

The Industrial Development Board:

- (a) Took note of the information provided in document IDB.33/3;
- (b) Recommended to the General Conference the establishment of a scale of assessments for the regular budget expenditures of UNIDO for the fiscal period 2008-2009, based on United Nations General Assembly resolution 61/237, adjusted to the membership of UNIDO on the understanding that new Members shall be assessed for the year in which they become Members on the basis of the United Nations scale of assessments, as applicable to UNIDO.

*5th plenary meeting
27 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.4 Working Capital Fund, 2008-2009

The Industrial Development Board:

- (a) Took note of the information provided in document IDB.33/4;
- (b) Recommended to the General Conference that the level of the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2008-2009 should remain at €7,423,030 and that the authorized purposes of the Fund for the biennium 2008-2009 should remain the same as for the biennium 2006-2007, i.e. as stipulated in decision GC.2/Dec.27, paragraph (b);

(c) Urged Member States to pay their outstanding assessed contributions as soon as possible to minimize the need to withdraw sums from the Working Capital Fund to meet shortfalls in the payment of assessed contributions.

*5th plenary meeting
27 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.5 Accounting standards

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Took note of the information provided in document IDB.33/5;

(b) Recommended to the General Conference the adoption of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards by UNIDO, as part of the United Nations system-wide adoption of those Standards by 1 January 2010;

(c) Requested that the policymaking organs be kept informed of developments relevant to UNIDO with respect to International Public Sector Accounting Standards.

*5th plenary meeting
27 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.6 Programme and Budgets, 2008-2009

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Having considered the programme and budgets for the biennium 2008-2009 as contained in document IDB.33/7 and Corr.1;

(b) Recommended to the General Conference the approval of estimates of gross regular budget expenditure of €159,638,038 to be financed from assessed contributions in the amount of €154,623,038 and other income of €5,015,000;

(c) Requested the Director-General to submit to the next session of the General Conference revisions to document IDB.33/7 and Corr.1 reflecting the above gross expenditure, including an annex with indicative information on unencumbered balances;

(d) Underlined its understanding that the savings will not have any substantive negative impact on UNIDO's technical cooperation delivery, and stressed the need to continue providing UNIDO with sufficient, stable and predictable resources in fulfilment of its mandate to adequately and efficiently respond to the increasing demand on technical cooperation services;

(e) Also recommended to the General Conference the approval of estimates of gross expenditure totalling €22,759,077 for the purpose of the operational budget for the biennium 2008-2009 to be financed from support cost income in the amount of €22,139,877 and other income of €619,200 as may be provided for in the financial regulations;

(f) Noted that the one-time project expenses of the adoption of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards by UNIDO would be excluded from the base when comparing the budgets for 2010-2011 with those of 2008-2009.

*5th plenary meeting
27 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.7 Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management

The Industrial Development Board recommended to the General Conference the adoption of the following draft decision:

“The General Conference:

“(a) Takes note of the information provided in document IDB.33/20;

“(b) Endorses the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management as contained in the Dubai Declaration on International Chemicals Management, the Overarching Policy Strategy and the Global Plan of Action;

“(c) Supports the participation of UNIDO in the implementation of the Strategic Approach.”

*5th plenary meeting
27 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.8 Personnel matters

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Took note of the information contained in document IDB.33/18;

(b) Also took note of the amendments made in pursuance of staff regulation 13.3 to Schedule I and annexes I and II of the staff regulations in order to bring them into conformity with the decision of the General Assembly set out in resolution 61/239;

(c) Further noted the amendment to appendix E to the staff rules;

(d) Recommended to the General Conference the adoption of the following draft decision:

“The General Conference:

“(a) Takes note of Board decision IDB.33/Dec.8;

“(b) Decides to elect the following two members and two alternate members of the UNIDO Staff Pension Committee for the biennium 2008-2009:

Members: Mr. David Best (Switzerland)

Ms. Gloria Maria Polastri Amat (Ecuador)

Alternate (country)

members: (country)

“(c) Authorizes the Industrial Development Board to proceed with the election for any of the above-mentioned posts that might become vacant before the General Conference holds its thirteenth session.”

*5th plenary meeting
27 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.9 Relationship agreements with intergovernmental organizations

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Took note of the information provided in document IDB.33/14;

(b) Authorized the Director-General, in accordance with Article 19.1 (a) of the Constitution and the guidelines for the relationship of UNIDO with intergovernmental, governmental, non-governmental and other organizations (General Conference decision GC.1/Dec.41, annex, para. 9) and on the basis of the information contained in the annex to document IDB.33/14, to conclude an appropriate relationship agreement with the following intergovernmental organization:

Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation (AITIC).

*4th plenary meeting
26 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.10 Applications from non-governmental organizations for consultative status

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Took note of the information provided in document IDB.33/13;

(b) Decided, in accordance with Article 19.1 (b) of the Constitution and the guidelines for the relationship of UNIDO with intergovernmental, governmental, non-governmental and other organizations (General Conference GC.1/Dec.41, annex, para. 17), to grant consultative status with UNIDO to the following non-governmental organization:

Global Outsourcing and Linkages (GOAL).

*4th plenary meeting
26 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.11 Preparations for the General Conference

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Took note of the information provided in document IDB.33/12;

(b) Adopted the following provisional agenda for the twelfth session of the General Conference:

1. Opening of the session.
2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the agenda.

4. Organization of work.
5. Credentials of representatives to the Conference.
6. Elections to organs:
 - (a) Industrial Development Board;
 - (b) Programme and Budget Committee.
7. Annual reports of the Director-General on the activities of the Organization for 2005 and 2006.
8. Reports of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its thirty-first, thirty-second and thirty-third regular sessions.
9. Forum on industrial development issues.
10. Financial matters:
 - (a) Scale of assessments of Member States;
 - (b) Financial situation of UNIDO;
 - (c) Working Capital Fund;
 - (d) Accounting standards;
 - (e) Appointment of an External Auditor.
11. Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2006-2009, including:
 - (a) South-South cooperation;
 - (b) Regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean;
 - (c) UNIDO access to the Global Environment Facility.
12. Medium-term programme framework, 2008-2011.
13. Programme and budgets, 2008-2009.
14. Implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with the United Nations Development Programme.
15. Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management.
16. UNIDO Staff Pension Committee.
17. Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations.
18. Date and place of the thirteenth session.
19. Closure of the session.

(c) Agreed to hold a forum on industrial development issues within the framework of the General Conference (provisional agenda, item 9);

(d) Recommended to the Conference that items 7 to 16 and item 18 of the provisional agenda be allocated to a main committee of the Conference;

(e) Recommended that, in the light of experience gained in the preparation of previous sessions of the Conference, the President of the thirty-third session of the Industrial Development Board conduct informal consultations for the preparation of the twelfth session of the Conference.

*5th plenary meeting
27 June 2007*

IDB.33/Dec.12 Provisional agenda and date of the thirty-fourth session

The Industrial Development Board:

- (a) Took note of the information contained in document IDB.33/CRP.5;
- (b) Decided to approve the following provisional agenda for its thirty-fourth session:
 - 1. Election of officers.
 - 2. Adoption of the agenda.
 - 3. Annual report of the Director-General for 2007 on the activities of the Organization.
 - 4. Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2008-2011, including:
 - (a) South-South cooperation;
 - (b) Regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean;
 - (c) UNIDO access to the Global Environment Facility.
 - 5. Financial situation of UNIDO.
 - 6. Activities of the Evaluation Group.
 - 7. Activities of the Joint Inspection Unit.
 - 8. Personnel matters. [if required]
 - 9. Number and duration of sessions.
 - 10. Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations.
 - 11. Provisional agenda and date of the thirty-fifth session.
 - 12. Adoption of the report.
- (c) Decided to hold its thirty-fourth session from 14 to 16 May 2008.

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Annex II

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IDB.33/3 PBC.23/3	4 (c)	Scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2008-2009. Note by the Secretariat
IDB.33/4 PBC.23/4	4 (d)	Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2008-2009. Proposals by the Director-General
IDB.33/5 PBC.23/5	4 (e)	International Public Sector Accounting Standards. Note by the Secretariat
IDB.33/6 PBC.23/6 and Add.1	4 (h)	Candidatures for the appointment of an External Auditor. Report by the Director-General
IDB.33/7 PBC.23/7	5	Programme and budgets, 2008-2009. Proposals of the Director-General
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IDB.33/9 PBC.23/9	4 (a)	Interim financial performance report for the biennium 2006-2007. Submitted by the Director-General
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IDB.33/CRP.3	6	UNIDO's cooperation with international partner organizations, particularly FAO, ILO and UNEP. Note by the Director-General
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