



**IUCN WORLD CONSERVATION CONGRESS
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**Terms of Reference and membership of the
Committees of Congress**

Action Requested: The World Conservation Congress is invited to APPROVE the Terms of Reference of the Committees of Congress proposed by Council and the membership of the Committees of Congress on the proposal of the President of IUCN.

Background:

1. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the World Conservation Congress, the Congress shall establish Committees as it considers necessary for the conduct of its business, and shall determine their terms of reference.
2. Draft Terms of Reference have been prepared by Council for the following Congress Committees:
 - a. Credentials Committee (Congress Document CGR-2021-1.1/1-Annex 1-Rev)
 - b. Resolutions Committee (Congress Document CGR-2021-1.1/1-Annex 2-Rev)
 - c. Finance and Audit Committee (Congress Document CGR-2021-1.1/1-Annex 3-Rev)
 - d. Governance Committee (Congress Document CGR-2021-1.1/1-Annex 4-Rev)
 - e. Programme Committee (Congress Document CGR-2021-1.1/1-Annex 5-Rev)
 - f. Steering Committee (Congress Document CGR-2021-1.1/1-Annex 6-Rev)

The Draft Terms of Reference have been adapted to take into account, lessons learnt and recommendations from previous Congresses and to harmonise with the changing rules.

3. The Draft Terms of Reference have been revised to take into account the results of the electronic vote of IUCN Members that closed on 10 February 2021.
4. The composition of the Steering Committee of Congress is defined in Rule 15 of the Rules of Procedure of the Congress and does not require a decision of Congress.
5. The IUCN President, with the assistance of the Congress Preparatory Committee following a process established by the IUCN Council, will table a proposal for the membership of all other Committees of Congress during the 1st Sitting of the Members' Assembly, under Agenda Item 1.1 for the Congress Credentials Committee and under Agenda Item 1.4 for the Resolutions, Finance and Audit, Governance, and Programme Committees of the Congress.