

**Council**

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**Thirty-Fourth Extraordinary Session  
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**CALENDAR OF MEETINGS IN 2017**

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1. The Consultative Committee, at its ninety-second session, held in Geneva on October 27, 2016, agreed to consider, at its ninety-third session, to be held in Geneva on April 6, 2017, whether to propose to organize a single set of sessions from 2018, according to the following proposal, subject to comments from the Technical Committee (TC), as follows:

(a) after 2017, to hold a single set of sessions of UPOV bodies in the period mid- to late November, with a more specific proposal for timing being developed after taking into account the views of the Technical Committee, which would be invited to consider the matter at its fifty-third session, to be held in Geneva from April 3 to 5, 2017;

(b) an arrangement for the scheduling of the UPOV bodies, on the following basis:

Friday	Working Group (if appropriate)
Saturday	Working Group (if appropriate) / Enlarged Editorial Committee
Sunday	Working Group (if appropriate) / Enlarged Editorial Committee
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Technical Committee</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Technical Committee</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Administrative and Legal Committee</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Consultative Committee</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Council</b>
Saturday	Symposium /Seminar/Working Group (if appropriate)

2. With regard to timing of sessions in November 2018, the TC will be invited, at its fifty-third session, to consider if the week of [November 12-16]/[November 26-30] would be a suitable week.

3. Document C(Extr.)/34/3 “Report by the President on the work of the ninety-third session of the Consultative Committee; adoption of recommendations, if any, prepared by that Committee”) will contain a report on the conclusions of the TC, at its fifty-third session, and the recommendations of the Consultative Committee, with regard to the timing of sessions in 2018.

4. The Working Group on a Possible International System of Cooperation (WG-ISC) will hold its second meeting in Geneva on April 5, 2017. The date of the next meeting of the WG-ISC will be reported to the Council at its thirty-fourth extraordinary session on April 6, 2017.

5. *The Council is invited,*

*(a) subject to comments from the TC at its fifty-third session, to be held from April 3 to 5, 2017, and to recommendations made by the Consultative Committee at its ninety-third session, to be held on April 6, 2017, to consider the scheduling of a single set of sessions from 2018, as set out in paragraphs 1 to 3, above;*

*(b) to note the date of the next meeting of the WG-ISC; and*

*(c) to approve a revision of document C/50/8 Rev.2 "Revised Calendar of Meetings in 2017".*

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