

DECISION OF THE BUREAU – 95th MEETING – 2 JULY 2021

(Approved unanimously by email correspondence on 6 July 2021)

The Bureau of the IUCN Council,

the work undertaken by the Working vE6.6 (he6jEMCts)-82-6.6 (t)-6.6 (he)10.5 ()4.9 kd
th meeting of the IUCN Council (22 June 2021) with the participation of the
Representative of the Host Country, the Election Officer, the Deputy Election Officer, and the
Secretariat in order to identify solutions allowing IUCN Members who cannot attend the
Congress due to the pandemic to participate in decisions of the Members' Assembly,

Decides by consensus to recommend the IUCN Council to adopt the following draft decision:

The IUCN Council,

to be responsive to the concerns raised by IUCN Members that not all
Members will have equal opportunity to travel to the Congress venue due to the
pandemic;

to bring closure to the consideration of alternative formats of the Congress in
order to allow all the Secretariat, the Host Country, other constituent parts of IUCN
and its partners to use the short time before Congress to prepare for a successful
event,

f the exceptional circumstances created by the pandemic caused by Covid-
19,

not all IUCN Members will have equal opportunity to travel to
Marseille in September 2021, and

for those Members of IUCN from the same Region or
Country, as well as Indigenous Peoples' Organizations, who may be particularly
affected by this situation and unable to travel and participate in the World Congress
and meeting of the Members' Assembly,

Decides:

A. Voting for elections

1. That, in order to hold elections during Congress in the most secure way possible
under conditions that apply equally to all IUCN Members, the elections be held by
an online vote open to all IUCN Members eligible to vote, in accordance with
Regulation 94, paragraphs c. to e. and under the supervision of the Election
Officer and Deputy Election Officer.
2. To request the Secretariat to adapt IUCN's online voting system normally used
for voting between sessions of the Congress, to the requirements of elections,
under the supervision ofvr (f)7(he)et 4. That if a 2

nd round for the election of the President is needed in accordance with
Rule 81, paragraph (i.), the Election Officer (or Deputy Election Officer) will open
an additional online vote on 8 September 2021 at a time to be determined by

her/him, which shall be closed 24 to 30 hours later in time for the election results to be announced before the close of Congress on 10 September 2021.

5. To request the Secretariat to organize a presidential candidates' debate by broadcasting or recording a virtual debate and post the recording on the