

STRP16 – Annex II



Scientific & Technical Review Panel (STRP)

16th Meeting

14-18 February 2011, Gland, Switzerland

Annotated Agenda-Rev.2

Notes.

1. STRP Thematic Work Areas (TWA) and task numbers are as in the STRP 2009-2012 Work Plan approved by the 40th meeting of the Standing Committee in May 2009 and updated in March 2010 (available on: <http://www.ramsar.org/pdf/strp/STRPworkplanMarch2010.pdf>)
2. STRP16 is the last formal plenary meeting of the Panel during the 2009-2012 cycle, and as will be clear from the Agenda schedule below, a major focus for the 16th meeting of the STRP will be to substantively progress those priority tasks for which products for COP11 are expected. There will be also the opportunity for each TWA lead and its working group members to review progress and identify next priorities etc. for all tasks in the STRP 2009-2012 Work Plan.
3. So overall the STRP16 meeting will focus on:
 - a) Draft scientific and technical Resolutions and guidelines which will be considered for adoption by Parties at COP11;
 - b) Other current tasks from which other COP11 materials (e.g. COP Information Papers) are being prepared;
 - c) Review of progress of other tasks under each of the Panel's Thematic Work Areas (TWAs);
 - d) Identification of proposals for future priority themes and tasks for the Panel for the next (2013-2015) triennium, for inclusion in the Draft COP11 Resolution on future scientific and technical priorities; and
 - e) Preparations for STRP roles and involvement in COP11 and its preparatory processes.
4. STRP16 will work in plenary session, but as needed there will be opportunities for TWA or task groups to work in parallel on their products.
5. Participants are requested to download the working documents and bring their own copies with them to the meeting.
6. During the STRP16 meeting, TWA leads and task leads are requested to capture progress and decisions in their task pro-formas as the discussions develop. At the end of the meeting or within the following week, TWA Leads would be expected to provide the latest versions of the pro-forma to the STRP Chair and STRP Officer. Pro-formas will be consolidated into the updated STRP workplan that together with the STRP meeting report will be presented by STRP Chair to Standing Committee 42 in May 2011.
7. After STRP16, STRP members and task force members will continue the work on the Support Service <http://www.wetlands.org/strp/> under the relevant Thematic Work Area forums.

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Monday 14 February 2011

	SESSION	
09.00-13.00	Opening plenary	Support Documents
09.00-09.30	Agenda item 1. Welcome, introductions & summary of what is to be achieved in the week. STRP Chair Deputy Secretary General (DSG)	n/a
9.30-09.35	Agenda item 2. Adoption of agenda STRP Chair	n/a
9.35-10.00	Agenda item 3. Review of the expected COP11 products – and timelines for their finalisation (DSG) (COP11 Draft Resolutions (COP11 DRs), COP11 Draft Resolutions (COP11 DRs) with annexed scientific and technical guidance, COP11 Information Papers (COP11 DOCs))	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timelines to COP11 for documents finalization
	Agenda item 4. Progress and finalisation of tasks with COP11 products	
10.00-10.30	4.1 Introduction to STRP Chair's report to COP11 and Draft Resolution on STRP future scientific & technical priorities (<i>STRP Chair</i>)	n/a
10.30-11.30	4.2 Wetlands and energy issues (Task 2.4: <i>Aileen Anderson, STRP Chair</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Draft guidance on Wetlands & the energy sector • Draft Ramsar Technical Report – Review of the energy sector
11.30-12.30	4.3 Wetlands and poverty eradication: a Ramsar framework and indicators (Task 2.6: <i>Ritesh Kumar</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the framework for wetlands and poverty eradication
12.30-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-18.00	Plenary	Support Documents
14.00-16.00	4.4 Designating Ramsar sites: a revised Ramsar Information Sheet and Strategic Framework and Guidelines for the future development of the List of Wetlands of International Importance (Tasks 8.4/4.5/8.3: <i>David Stroud</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • New proposed Ramsar Information Sheet (RIS) • New RIS-worked example • Draft Resolution on RIS • Draft Strategic Framework
16.00-18.00	4.5 A Framework and guidance for Avoiding, Mitigating, and Compensating for Wetland Losses and Information Paper on: Lessons learned from “no net loss” policies, the “urgent national interest” test, and other issues for wetland mitigation and compensation (Task 9.1: <i>Royal Gardner</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Task 9.1 explanatory note • Info Paper outline on no net loss policies

Tuesday 15 February 2011

SESSION		
09.00-13.00	Plenary	Support Documents
09.00-10.00	4.6 Additional guidance on describing the ecological character of wetlands: the use of conceptual models, and identifying limits of acceptable change, and worked examples of existing RIS into ecological character format (Task 4.4 <i>Dave Pritchard & David Stroud</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Worked example of RIS into the ECD format
10.00-11.00	4.7 An updated Ramsar Framework for data and information needs (Task 4.3 <i>Dave Pritchard & Peter Herkenrath – UNEP-WCMC</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Draft proposed Resolution & Annex on enhanced support for the implementation of the Ramsar Strategic Plan
11.00-12.00	4.8 Overarching principles for urban planning and wetlands (Task 2.7: <i>Rob McInnes</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Draft Resolution & Information Paper • Updated task pro forma & proposed budget
12.00-13.00	4.9 A practical guide and manual for managing wetlands and wildlife diseases (Task 2.1: <i>David Stroud, Rebecca Lee</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Task Progress Report • Wetland Diseases Handbook - Overview • Wetland Diseases Handbook - Introduction • Wetland Diseases Handbook - Principles • Wetland Diseases Handbook – Practices • Wetland Diseases Handbook - Diseases
13.00-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-18.00	Plenary	Support Documents
14.00-14.30	4.10 The state of the world's wetlands and their services to people (Task 4.1/4.8 <i>Dave Pritchard, DSG</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft outline approach for the State of The World's Wetlands • Annex: mock up design for SOWW
14.30-15.30	4.11 Wetlands and climate change - updated issues and considerations for the Ramsar Convention & Developing guidance on wetland ecosystem-based adaptation to climate change (Tasks 6.2 & 6.1 <i>Max Finlayson</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Briefing Note on collaboration with the Arctic Council & CAFF
15.30-16.00	4.12 Wetland restoration – review and proposals for updating and expansion of guidance. (Task 9.2 <i>Kevin Erwin, Rob McInnes</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation
Agenda item 5. STRP involvement and roles in other MEA processes		
16.00-16.30	5.1 Outcomes of CBD COP10 (Nagoya) and implementation roles for STRP (<i>David Dutthie, DSG</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation 1 • Presentation 2
16.30-17.00	5.2 CSAB meeting report back and discussion of collaboration across the MEAs in relation to ecosystem restoration (<i>STRP Chair, Sasha Alexander - SERI</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Briefing Note on Ecosystem restoration • Briefing Note on Species Nomenclature
17.00-18.00	5.3 Update on IPBES, possible information note to SC and COP, future STRP tasks associated with IPBES (<i>Neville Ash-UNEP</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Briefing Note on IPBES

Wednesday 16 February 2011

	SESSION	
09.00-13.00	Plenary	Support Documents
	Agenda item 6. Other STRP current tasks and initiatives with likely COP11 materials/products	
09.00-09.30	6.1 Task 7.4 Wetlands and water resource storage (<i>Mike Acreman</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Briefing Paper on water resource storage
09.30-10.00	6.2 Task 3.1 Response options from MA - their relevance to the Ramsar Convention (<i>tbd</i>)	Agenda item deleted
10.00-10.30	6.3 Task 8.9 Transboundary Ramsar Sites and wetlands management: a synthesis of case studies (<i>Roy Gardner</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation
10.30-11.00	6.4 Task 8.new : Using wetland classifications for Ramsar conservation and wise use implementation (<i>DSG</i>)	n/a
11.00-11.30	6.5 Task 2.3 Wetlands and extractive industries (<i>STRP Chair</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation
11.30-12.00	6.6 Novel ecosystems – briefing paper to be presented (<i>Max Finlayson</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation
12.00-12.30	6.7 WOW Waterbird Critical Sites Network Tool, and harmonisation of species nomenclature between MEAs and IOPs (<i>Vicky Jones</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • The Critical Site Network Tool website
12.30-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-17.00	Plenary	
14.00-15.00	Completion of any outstanding matters under Agenda items 4-6	
	Agenda item 7. Other STRP products	
15.00-17.00	7.1 STRP Technical Advisory Notes/Briefing Notes/RTRs/ other products not already covered in previous agenda items (<i>DSG; TWA leads</i>)	n/a
17.00-18.00	Working Groups according to needs.	

Thursday 17 February 2011

* **Note.** 17th February will be a “STRP Working Day Out” generously hosted by ProNatura at their Champ-Pittet Centre on the shores of Lake Neuchatel, the biggest Ramsar Site in Switzerland. Further information is provided at the bottom of this agenda.

08.00	Departure from Nyon. The bus leaves from the parking “Perdtemps” to Champ-Pittet Centre.	
9.10-9.30	Welcome coffee & presentation of the Centre Pro Natura Champ-Pittet	
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09.30-12.00	Plenary	Support Documents
09.00-12.00	<p>Agenda item 8. Report from each Thematic Work Area (TWA) lead on progress to date, focussing on other tasks not covered in agenda items above, process and resources needed to complete these, and future work priorities for each TWA.</p> <p>8.1 TWA1: Regional networking (<i>Regional Networkers</i>) 8.2 TWA3: Wetland inventory, assessment, monitoring and reporting (including indicators) (<i>Dave Pritchard</i>) 8.3 TWA4: Wetlands and human health (<i>Pierre Horwitz</i>) 8.4 TWA6: Wetlands and water resources management (<i>Mike Acreman</i>)</p>	<p>TWA1: Presentation 1; Presentation 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Workshop for STRP African National Focal Points <p>TWA3: Presentation 1; Presentation 2</p> <p>TWA4: Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress report • Draft briefing note on interpreting healthy wetlands <p>TWA6: Presentation</p>
12.00-12.45	Buffet lunch offered by the Secretariat & the Champ-Pittet Centre	
12.45-15.00	Guided visit to the Ramsar Sites part of the “Grand Caricaie”, the largest area of lacustrine marshes in Switzerland.	
15.00-17.30	Plenary	
	<p>8.5 TWA5: Wetlands and climate change (<i>Max Finlayson</i>) 8.6 TWA7: Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar sites) (<i>David Stroud</i>) 8.7 TWA8: Wetland management-restoration, mitigation, compensation (<i>Kevin Erwin</i>) 8.8 TWA9: Wetlands and agriculture (<i>George Lukacs</i>) 8.9 TWA10: CEPA (<i>Christine Prietto</i>)</p>	<p>TWA5: Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated pro forma <p>TWA7: Presentation</p> <p>TWA8: Presentation</p> <p>TWA9: Presentation</p> <p>TWA10: Presentation</p>
17.30	Bus departs from Champ-Pittet centre to Nyon, arrival expected for 18.45	
19.30	<p>STRP Dinner & Raffle</p> <p>Restaurant « Hôtel Hostellerie XVI Siècle » Place du Marché 2, 1260 Nyon</p>	

Friday 18 February 2011

	SESSION	
09.00-13.00	Plenary	Support Documents
	Agenda item 9: TWA2: Strategic, emerging & ongoing issues (including general wise use of wetlands)	
9.00-10.00	9.1 STRP editorial & review policy and redevelopment of the Support Service (<i>STRP Chair, Monica Zavagli, Rebecca Lee</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation
10.00-12.00	9.2 ongoing, emerging and new issues (include new economics TWA in this item) (<i>STRP Chair</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation TEEB • Presentation Disaster risk reduction • Presentation TWA2
12.00-13.00	9.3 STRP future work priorities and TWAs – and development of Draft COP11 Resolution (<i>STRP Chair, DSG</i>)	
13.00-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-17.00	Plenary	
14.00-15.00	<i>Continue 9.3</i> STRP future work priorities and TWAs – and development of Draft COP11 Resolution (<i>STRP Chair, DSG</i>)	
15.00-16.00	Agenda item 10. Process leading up and beyond to COP11: Schedule of Standing Committee and preparatory meetings, including likely dates for STRP17 meeting; procedures for finalization of draft resolutions or other products/tasks which have COP-associated deliverables; process for appointment of STRP members for 2013-2015 cycle (<i>Deputy Secretary General</i>)	
16.00-17.00	Agenda item 11. Any other business (AoB)	
17.00	<i>12. Closure of the meeting</i>	

*** Thursday 17th February: a working day out at the largest Ramsar Site in Switzerland on the southern shores of Neuchâtel lake.**



The Centre ProNatura Champ-Pittet set in a castle of the 18th century, is located in the heart of the « Grande Cariçaie », the largest lakeside marsh area in Switzerland so called after the tall sedges (*Carex*) dominating the vegetation. Reedbeds, broken up by ponds, are succeeded landwards by sedges, wet meadows and alluvial forests.

<http://www.pronatura.ch/champ-pittet/>

Departure time: 8.00 a.m. A bus has been rented for the occasion and will pick up participants in Nyon, next to the parking “Perdtemps” in front of the Nyon firemen house. (close to the parking’s exit).

The journey duration is about one hour (without traffic).

Return time: the bus leaves the Centre at 5.30 p.m. and the arrival time to Nyon is estimated for 6.45 p.m.

Guided Visit

The Research Group in charge of the management of the Grande Cariçaie is proposing a tour (in English) to explore the landscape from different points of view: we will learn about management techniques, priority areas of conservation, waterbird species wintering at the site, and Ramsar Criteria used for the listing of the Site as Wetland of International Importance.

What to Bring? Warm clothes, comfortable shoes, binoculars, rain proof jacket or umbrella and anything else you might need for the work sessions (i.e. adaptor for your laptop etc). Please note that the Centre doesn’t have any shops or restaurants in the vicinity.

Additional information will be provided during the STRP16 meeting.

For any question contact Monica Zavagli at zavagli@ramsar.org