

NATIONAL PLANNING TOOL FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RAMSAR CONVENTION ON WETLANDS

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SUMMARY OF IMPLEMENTATION (OPTIONAL)

Please, include a summary on the implementation of Ramsar Convention in your country during the last triennium

Mozambique acceded to the Ramsar Convention in 2003, November. At the time of the ratification by the Council of Ministers, it also proposed the Marromeu Complex (in the Zambezi Delta) as the first Ramsar Site in Mozambique. Since then, an inter-institutional team has been discussing the design of a Management Plan for the area. Community consultations took place, meetings with stakeholders were held in major villages and cities surrounding the area, and important partners have been involved in activities and discussions (the sugar industry, fisheries, local authorities, etc). An IUCN supported project on the management of the Zambezi Delta entered now in the second phase. This project is multi-national (Zambia is also included) and Mozambique participates in the project's Steering Committee. At national level, MICOA (the Ramsar Convention focal point) has been leading the formation of a inter-institutional committee on wetlands. The group has formulated a draft strategy for the wetlands in Mozambique. MICOA is also leading the process of establishment of a second Ramsar site in Mozambique, namely the Mozambique part of the Niassa (Nyasa/Malawi) lake.

OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVE 1. INVENTORY AND ASSESSMENT

OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVE 1.1: Describe the extent of wetland resources, especially at global and national (or, where appropriate, provincial) scales, in order to inform and underpin implementation of the convention and in particular the application of the wise use principle

COP9 REPORT SECTION

Action 1.1.1.- Promote and encourage the use of standard wetland inventory methodologies following the Ramsar Framework for Wetland Inventory (Resolution VIII.6), to undertake, update and disseminate national (or, where appropriate, provincial) scientific inventories of wetlands.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: By COP9, all Parties without completed inventories to have initiated action in line with the Ramsar Framework for Wetland Inventory, and as far as possible to have completed and disseminated comprehensive national wetland inventories.

| 1 Country has a comprehensive National Wetland Inventory (if inventory exists, please include the number of sites) | F | Choose an answer for each indicator $A = Not$ applicable; $B = Yes$; $C = No$; $D = Partly/in some cases$; | Nº wetlands / Ramsar sites |
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| | | E = In progress; F= Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer | 1 |

Action 1.1.4.- Make available a web-based wetland inventory meta-database and encourage the inclusion of a metadata record for all national (including provincial) wetland inventories.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: By COP9, a Web-based metadatabase in place and populated with information on all national wetland inventories.

| 1. National (including provincial) wetland | C | Choose an answer | | |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| inventory metadata record provided for inclusion | | $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No;$ | | |
| in Ramsar's Web-based wetland inventory | | D = Partly/in some cases; $E = In$ progress; | | |
| metadatabase | | F= Being planned; G = Being updated; | | |
| | | H = Other status (explain below); $I = No$ answer | | |
| 2. Implementation processes since COD9 (Places include additional comments on the | | | | |

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

N/A

Action 1.2.5.- Undertake assessments of the vulnerability of wetlands to change in ecological character, including their vulnerability to the impacts of climate change and sea-level rise.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: SC/Bureau to identify at least 20 Parties willing to undertake vulnerability assessments and report to COP9.

| 1. Assessments of the vulnerability of wetlands to change in ecological character were undertaken | В | Choose an answer for each indicator $A = \text{Not applicable}; B = Yes; C = No;$ |
|---|---|--|
| 2. The assessments include impacts of climate change | D | D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated; H = In progress; |
| 3. The assessments include impacts of sea-level rise | D | Other status (explain below); $I = No$ answer |

4.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the assessments undertaken.]

Studies were undertaken on the Zambezi Delta on the impacts of changes on flow of waters in the Zambezi

River due to the constructions of large dams upstream. These include Kariba and Cahora Bassa Dams. Also, there is a study on the impacts of sea level rise on the are. Finaly, there is a survey on the impacts of the Zambezi River flow over the shrimp fisheries in the coastal waters.

Action 2.1.2.- Ensure that wetland policies are fully integrated into and harmonized with other strategic or planning processes and documents, in particular those related to biodiversity, desertification, climate change, agriculture, trade in endangered species, water resource management, integrated coastal zone management and environmental planning in general including national strategies for sustainable development called for by the WSSD. When these other documents include chapters or sections on different ecosystems, ensure that one of them is devoted to wetlands.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: National Wetland Policy or equivalent instrument fully integrated into other strategic and planning processes by all Parties, including poverty eradication strategies and water resources management and water efficiency plans and national strategies for sustainable development in line with WSSD targets.

| 1. Wetland issues have been incorporated into national strategies for sustainable development called for by WSSD | В | Choose an answer for each indicator |
|---|---|--|
| Wetland issues have been incorporated into poverty eradication strategies | В | $A = Not \ applicable;$ $B = Yes;$ $C = No;$ |
| 3. Wetland issues have been incorporated into water resources management and water efficiency plans | В | D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress; |
| 4. Wetland issues (conservation, wise use, restoration/rehabilitation) have been integrated into other sectoral strategic or planning processes and documents at any of the following levels: national, regional, provincial, and local | В | F= Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer |

5.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the incorporation of wetland issues into other sectoral strategic or planning processes.]

Mozambique formulated and approved recently the "Strategic Plan for the Environmental Sector" of which the "Sustainable Development Strategic Plan" is incorporated. In this strategy, the management of water resources is a high priority since the country receives around 60% of its water resources from neighbouring countries. Thus the importance of water stream. On the other side, the access to water and the maintenace of water sources plays an important role in the Mozambique's PARPA (Programme for the Reduction of Absolute Poverty).

Action 2.2.4.- Promote the continuing development, wide dissemination - primarily through the Internet-based resource kit (http://www.biodiversityeconomics.org/assessment/ramsar-503-01.htm) and application of methodologies to undertake valuations of the economic, social and environmental benefits and functions of wetlands, in collaboration with the *International Association of Impact Assessment (IAIA)*, Ramsar's International Organization Partners, and interested Parties and organizations.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: STRP to have made progress on methodologies for economic, social and environmental valuation, and all CPs with experience in this area to have engaged in the STRP work.

| 1. Progress has been made in the development and/or | A | Choose an answer for each indicator |
|---|---|---|
| application of methodologies for the valuation of economic, | | $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No;$ |
| social and environmental benefits and functions of wetlands | | D = Partly/in some cases; |
| 2. The Party has contributed to the STRP work on methodologies for economic, social and environmental valuation of wetland benefits and functions | A | E = In progress; F = Being planned; $G = Being updated; H = Other status(explain below); I = No answer$ |

3.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on progress made and contribution to STRP work, if applicable.]

OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVE 3. INTEGRATION OF WETLAND WISE USE INTO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVE 3.1. Develop and disseminate methodologies to achieve the conservation and wise use of wetlands

Action 3.1.1.- Review the wise use concept, its applicability, and its consistency with the objectives of sustainable development.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: STRP to spearhead process of reviewing and updating guidance on the wise use concept, including the ecosystem approach, in particular in line with the outcomes of WSSD.

- 1. Work has been done to review the wise use concept, its applicability and its consistency with the objectives of sustainable development

 2. The Party has contributed to the STRP work to review and update the guidance on the wise use concept, including the ecosystem approach

 D
 Choose an answer for each indicator

 A = Not applicable; B = Yes; C = No;

 D = Partly/ in some cases; E = In progress;

 F = Being planned; G = Being updated;

 H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer
- 3.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the revision of the wise use concept and contribution to STRP work, if applicable.]

This work has been done in the context of discussing the "sustainable development strategic plan" were scientists, civil society and othery discuss whether the principle is taken on board on the use of wetlands.

Action 3.4.2.- Apply the Guidelines in *Integrating wetland conservation and wise use into river basin management* (Ramsar Wise Use Handbook 4) and, where appropriate and feasible, participate in the related CBD/Ramsar project entitled the "River Basin Initiative" so as to support the WSSD agreement to increase understanding of the sustainable use, protection and management of water resources.

- 1. The Guidelines for integrating wetland conservation and wise use into river basin management (Ramsar Wise Use Handbook 4) have been used/applied
- Choose an answer A = Not applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer
- 2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on application of the Guidelines for integrating wetland conservation and wise use into river basin management.]

With different interventions and stakeholders, Mozambique has been participanting in the participatory management of internationally shared River bassin. These cases include Umbeluzi River (with Swaziland), Limpopo River (with South Africa) and Zambezi River (with several organizations and countries). The Department of International Rivers, in the National Directorate of Waters (a different Ministry) has been leading this process with the knowledge of MICOA.

- 3. The Party has participated in the Ramsar/CBD River Basin Initiative

 C $Choose \ an \ answer$ $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases;$ $E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned; G = Being \ updated;$ $H = Other \ status \ (explain \ below); I = No \ answer$
- 4.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the participation in the Ramsar/CBD River Basin Initiative.]

N/A

Action 3.4.9.- Ensure that national policy responses to the implementation of the *Kyoto Protocol*, including revegetation and management, afforestation and reforestation do not lead to damage to the ecological character of wetlands.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: All relevant CPs to have assessed implications of *Kyoto Protocol* implementation on wetlands (including applying COP8 restoration guidelines).

See action 4.1.4

1. The implications of

implementation of the Kyoto Protocol for wetland conservation have been assessed C Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases; E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned; G = Being \ updated;$

H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

Mozambique accedded to the Kyoto Protocol as recently as 29th August of 1994

Action 4.1.2.- Establish wetland restoration/rehabilitation programmes, where feasible, at destroyed or degraded wetlands, especially in those associated with major river systems or areas of high nature conservation value, in line with Recommendation 4.1 and Resolutions VII.17 and VII.20.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: All CPs with lost or degraded wetlands to have identified priority sites for restoration; restoration projects underway or completed in at least 100 CPs.

Action 4.1.2.- Établir, lorsque c'est possible, des programmes de restauration/remise en état des zones humides détruites ou dégradées, en particulier dans les grands bassins hydrographiques ou les régions très importantes pour la conservation de la nature, conformément à la Recommandation 4.1 et aux Résolutions VII.17 et VII.20.

1. Wetland restoration / rehabilitation programmes or projects have been developed

Choose an answe

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in some cases;$ E = In the property E = Reign the language C = Reign the dated;

E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

N/A

Action 6.1.6.- Consider using the *Guiding principles for taking into account the cultural values of wetlands for the effective management of sites* (Resolution VIII.19), and continue to document case studies on social and cultural values of wetlands and how they can be incorporated into the effort to conserve and sustainably use wetland resources.

See action r3.3.iii

1. The guiding principles on cultural values (Resolution VIII.19) have been used or applied

Choose an answ

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases;$

E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated;

H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the application of the Guiding Principles on cultural values.]

N/A

3. Resource information and case studies on cultural aspects of wetlands have been compiled

Choose an answ

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases;$

 $E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned; G = Being \ updated;$

H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

4.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the resource information compiled.]

Action r9.ii.i.- Develop pilot projects to evaluate a range of approaches for applying CEPA in promoting the wise use of wetlands, in particular involving those who make a direct use of wetland resources

1. Pilot projects have been developed to evaluate different approaches for applying CEPA in promoting the wise use of wetlands

<u>Choose an answer</u>

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases; E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned; G = Being \ updated;$

H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

N/A

Action r9.iii.ii.- Establish a national *Wetland CEPA Task Force* (if no other mechanisms exist for this purpose), ensuring suitable stakeholder and NGO representation, to undertake a review of needs, skills, expertise and options, and to set priorities for the implementation of this programme of work.

1. A National wetland CEPA Task Force has been established Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress;$

F= Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below);

 $I = No \ answer$

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

N/A

Action r9.iii.iii.- Formulate, drawing upon the Additional Guidance on reviewing and action planning for wetland communication, education and public awareness (CEPA) developed for this purpose, a national (and, where appropriate, sub-national, catchment or local) action plan for wetland CEPA which incorporates the conclusions to emerge from Action r9.iii.ii above, and provide a copy of this to the Ramsar Convention Bureau so that it can be made available to other Parties and interested organizations and individuals. (The Additional Guidance document is available in hard copy from the Bureau and in html at http://ramsar.org/outreach_reviewsactionplansI.htm)

1. A National Action Plan for wetland CEPA has been developed

Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress; E = Being thlamed: G = Being undated: H = Other status (explain helow):$

F= Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

N/A

Action r9.vii.iii.- Ensure that multi-stakeholder bodies are in place to guide and inform catchment/river basin and local wetland-related planning and management, and that these bodies include appropriate expertise in CEPA.

1. CEPA expertise has been incorporated into catchment/river basin planning and management tools

C

Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases;$

E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated;

H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

Action 10.1.1.- Renew efforts to apply the *Strategic Framework and guidelines for the future development of the Ramsar List* (Resolution VII.11) including, as a matter of priority the establishment of a strategy and priorities for the further designation of Ramsar sites so as to achieve, as soon as possible, the coherent national networks called for in the Vision for the List. (Resolution VIII.10).

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: Report on implementation progress to the Ramsar Bureau by 31 December 2003, with consolidated Bureau report circulated to all Parties by 31 March 2004. Each CP which has not designated a Ramsar site since accession to the Convention to have designated at least one new site. Designation of a further 55 million ha and 250 Ramsar sites, as progress towards global targets of 2500 sites and 250 million ha by 2010.

1. A strategy and priorities have been established for further designation of Ramsar sites, in application of the Strategic Framework for the Ramsar List

B $Choose \ an \ answer$ $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in$ $some \ cases; E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned;$ $G = Being \ updated; H = Other \ status \ (explain \ below);$

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

The Country, through the National Committee on Wetlands has established a list of priority sites for Ramsar listing. The next in priority after the Marromeu Complex already listed is the Mozambique part of the Niassa (Nyasa/Malawi) Lake.

Action 10.2.4.- Fully update and submit revised Ramsar Information Sheets as frequently as necessary to record changes in the status of sites, and at least at intervals of not more than six years, so that they can be used for reviewing change in ecological character and progress in achieving the Vision and Objectives of the Strategic Framework and guidelines for the future development of the List of Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar Handbook 7) at each COP.

1. All required updates of the Information Sheet on Ramsar Wetlands have been submitted to the Ramsar Bureau

B Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases;$

E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated;

H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

 $I = No \ answer$

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

MICOA has submitted a drfat Information sheet and maps of the proposed Niassa (Nyasa/malawi) Lake for Ramsar site. Comments have been received and will be incorporated soon and resubmitted to the Ramsar Bureau.

Action 11.1.2.- Apply the Convention's *New Guidelines for management planning for Ramsar sites and other wetlands* (Resolution VIII.14) to develop management plans or strategies for all Ramsar sites.

1. The New Guidelines for management planning have been used in the development of management plans or strategies

B Choose an answer

A = Not applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the way the guidelines have been used.]

A management plan has been under discussion for the Marromeu Complex, the first Ramsar site for Mozambique. The process strated right after the nomination of this Ramsar site. The process is still in the phase of reaching agreement amongst all stakeolders on the process of Management Plan design.

| MANAGEMENT PLANS AT RAMSAR SITES | Nº Ramsar sites |
|---|-----------------|
| 3 Ramsar sites with management plans or strategies in place | <u>0</u> |
| 4 Ramsar sites with management plans or strategies in place and being fully applied | <u>0</u> |

| MANAGEMENT PLANS AT RAMSAR SITES | Nº Ramsar sites | |
|--|-----------------|--|
| 5 Ramsar sites with management plans or strategies being prepared | <u>1</u> | |
| 6 Ramsar sites with management plans or strategies being revised or updated | 0 | |
| 7 Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include the list of Ramsar sites whose management plans fall under each category, and any additional comments you consider relevant.] | | |
| See point 2. above. | | |

Action 11.2.5.- For sites included in the Montreux Record request a Ramsar Advisory Mission of independent experts, where appropriate, to review the problems affecting the site and offer recommendations for remedial actions.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: For all sites on the Montreux Record, and which have not been subject to a Ramsar Advisory Mission (RAM), CPs to request such a Mission prior to COP9.

| 1 Ramsar Advisory Missions have been requested to review the problems at Ramsar sites included in the Montreux Record, if any (if applicable, please include number of sites) | С | Choose an answer A = Not applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer | N° Ramsar sites | |
|---|---|--|-----------------------|--|
| 2 Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include the list of Ramsar sites concerned, and | | | | |

additional comments you consider relevant.]

N/A

Action 12.1.1.- Identify all wetland systems in each Contracting Party shared with other Parties and with nonparties and promote cooperation in their management with the adjoining jurisdiction(s), applying, where appropriate, the Guidelines on integrating wetland conservation and wise use into river basin management (Ramsar Handbook 4, Section A1 of the Guidelines), and the Principles and Guidelines for integrating wetlands into Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) (Resolution VIII.4).

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: All CPs to have identified their transboundary wetlands. 50% of CPs to have identified cooperative management mechanisms.

| 1 All transboundary/shared wetland | C | Choose an answer | <u>N°</u> |
|---|-----|---|--------------------|
| systems have been identified <i>(if</i> | | $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No;$ | wetlands/ |
| applicable, please include number of | | D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress; F = Being | wetland systems |
| sites) | | planned; $G = Being \ updated$; $H = Other \ status$ | systems |
| | | (explain below); $I = No$ answer | |
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2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please list the transboundary wetlands identified and provide any other additional comments you consider relevant.]

N/A

Action 12.3.2.- Encourage development of regional arrangements under the Convention similar to *MedWet*, where appropriate, applying the Guidance for the development of regional initiatives in the framework of the Convention on Wetlands (Resolution VIII.30) for example in the Black Sea, Caspian Sea, the Caribbean, South America and the Altaj-Savansky region.

| 1. Party has been involved in the | C | Choose an answer | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| development of a regional initiative | | $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in some cases;$ | | |
| in the framework of the Convention | | $E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned; G = Being \ updated;$ | | |
| | | H = Other status (explain below); $I = No$ answer | | |
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2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

N/A

Action 13.1.1.- Continue to strengthen cooperation and synergy with the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Convention to Combat Desertification, the Convention on Migratory Species and its Agreements, the World Heritage Convention, and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, in particular through the vehicles of Joint Work Plans and collaboration among the respective subsidiary scientific bodies of the conventions and the secretariats, and at national level among the Ramsar Administrative Authorities and Focal Points of the different MEAs.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: 3rd CBD-Ramsar Joint Work Plan fully implemented. CMS/AEWA Joint Work Plan in place and being implemented. Joint activities developed with UNCCD and UNFCCC, including through participation in the Joint Liaison Group with UNFCCC, CBD and UNCCD.

See action 18.1.1

1. Mechanisms are in place at the national level for collaboration between the Ramsar Administrative Authority and the focal points of other multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs) C Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in$ some cases; $E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned;$ $G = Being \ updated; H = Other \ status \ (explain \ below);$ $I = No \ answer$

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include information on the MEAs involved and additional comments you consider revelant.]

N/A

Action 14.1.3.- Develop twinning and/or networks of transboundary wetlands and wetlands sharing common features, as an important mechanism for sharing knowledge and providing training opportunities.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: At least 75 twinning arrangements to be in place and reported to the Bureau for Web publicity on the Ramsar Web site.

1.- Networks among wetlands sharing common features have been established for knowledge sharing and training

C Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases; E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned; G = Being \ updated; H = Other \ status \ (explain \ below); I = No \ answer$

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include information on the wetland networks established and other comments you consider relevant.]

N/A

3.- Twinning arrangements among wetlands sharing common features have been established for knowledge sharing and training <u>(if applicable, please include number of sites involved)</u>

C Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); <math>I = No \ answer$

Nº wetlands / Ramsar sites

4.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include information on the twinning arrangement, the sites involved and other comments you consider relevant.]

N/A

Action 15.1.1.- Mobilize direct funding support from multilateral and bilateral development assistance agencies in order to assist developing countries and countries whose economies are in transition in the conservation and wise use of wetlands and in implementation of the present Strategic Plan. (Based on Section E1 of the Guidelines).

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: Each CP with a bilateral donor agency to have encouraged it to give priority for funding for wetland conservation and wise use projects in relation to poverty alleviation and other WSSD targets and priorities.

| 1. (For CPs with development assistance agencies) Funding | Е | Choose an answer for each indicator |
|--|---|--|
| support has been mobilized from development assistance | | $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes;$ |
| agency for wetland issues | | C = No; D = Partly/in some cases; |
| 2. Other forms of funding support have been mobilized for wetland issues | E | E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); $I = No$ answer |

3.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

MICOA, the focal point for the Ramsar Convention, has been receiving support from several Governmental development agencies (DANIDA, Dutch, WB, amongst others). The support has targeted the "strategic plan for the environmental sector" were wetlands management are a high priority.

Action 15.1.9.- For eligible Contracting Parties of both the Ramsar Convention and the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), develop wetland conservation and wise use projects suitable for consideration by the Global Environment Facility (GEF), as part of the implementation of the Joint Work Plan with the CBD and in accordance with paragraphs 6 and 7 of Decision IV/4 of CBD's COP4 relating to inland water ecosystems.

GLOBAL TARGET 2003-2005: Assistance provided to at least 15 countries in preparing projects for submission to the *Global Environment Facility*.

- 1. Project proposals related to wetlands have been submitted to the Global Environment Facility (GEF)

 C Choose an answer $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases;$ $E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned; G = Being \ updated;$ $H = Other \ status \ (explain \ below); I = No \ answer$
- 2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include additional comments on the implementation of this action.]

N/A

Action 17.1.6.- Ensure that each Contracting Party has nominated a national focal point for the work of the STRP (as called for by Resolutions VII.2 and VIII.28) and two focal points (one government, one non-government) for the *Communication*, *Education and Public Awareness Programme* (as called for by Resolutions VII.9 and VIII.31)

See also Action r9.iii.i. concerning CEPA national focal points.

1. The National Focal Point for the work of STRP has been nominated

Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases;$

 $E = In \ progress; F = Being \ planned; G = Being \ updated; H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer$

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include information on the STRP National Focal Point and other comments you consider relevant.]

The Museum of natural History, from Eduardo Mondlane University has been nominated. Mr. Carlos Bento is the focal point. The institution has been involved since the beginning of the process of nomination of Marromeu Complex as a Ramsar site.

Action 18.1.1.- Encourage the review of existing national institutions responsible for the conservation and wise use of wetlands, and on the basis of such a review, identify and implement measures to:

- a) increase cooperation and synergy among institutions with direct or indirect responsibility for wetland issues, especially those responsible for the management of water resources and for biodiversity and wetland conservation and management;
- b) promote enhanced cooperation, and where appropriate integrated approaches, among the national focal points of environment-related conventions, and consider establishing a coordinating committee to ensure that integrated approaches are taken;
- c) promote enhanced contact, and where appropriate close coordination, between the Ramsar Administrative Authority and national professional, technical, scientific and educational societies and agencies involved in wetland conservation or management, including those involved in social and cultural heritage issues; and d) provide appropriately trained staff, in adequate numbers, to enable these institutions to implement the Convention to full effect.
 - 1. A review of national institutions responsible for the conservation and wise use of wetlands has been completed

E Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in some cases;$ E = In approximate F = Point blowned C = Point applicable.

E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated;

H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include information on the review and other comments you consider relevant.]

The aim of the National Committee on Wetlands, gathering institutions from several areas, is to ensure the necessary coordination of wetlands use role across the section.

See action 13.1.1

3. A coordinating committee among focal points of environment-related conventions is in place

Choose an answer

 $A = Not \ applicable; B = Yes; C = No; D = Partly/in \ some \ cases;$

E = In progress; F = Being planned; G = Being updated;

H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

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4.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include information on the coordinating committee and other comments you consider relevant.]

N/A

5. Mechanisms are in place to ensure cooperation between the Ramsar Administrative Authority and other national institutions directly or indirectly responsible for wetland issues, in particular water and biodiversity

B Choose an answer for each indicator A = Not applicable; B = Yes; C = No;

6. Mechanisms are in place to ensure cooperation between the Ramsar Administrative Authority and relevant professional, scientific or educational societies and agencies involved in wetland conservation or management, including social and cultural heritage issues

E = In progress; F= Being planned;

D = Partly/in some cases;

 $G = Being \ updated;$

H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

7.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include information on the relevant cooperation mechanisms and any other comments you consider relevant.]

See point 2. above.

Action 20.1.8.- Encourage further development and use of regional wetland training and research centres, including a Regional Ramsar Centre for Training and Research on Wetlands in the Western Hemisphere (Resolution VII.26) and a Regional Ramsar Centre for Training and Research on Wetlands in Western and Central Asia (Resolution VIII.41).

1.- Support has been provided to the development of regional wetland training and research centres (if applicable, please include number of centres)

C Choose an answer

A = Not applicable; B = Yes; C = No;

D = Partly/in some cases; E = In progress;

F= Being planned; G = Being updated; H = Other status (explain below); I = No answer

N/A

2.- Implementation progress since COP8 [Please include the list of centres and other additional comments you consider relevant.]

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