Launch of the Uruguay Ramsar Site series

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The Ramsar Secretariat is pleased to announce the launch of the first in a series of Site Summaries, developed with close support from the British Embassy in Montevideo, in recognition of Uruguay’s generous hosting of the Ramsar Convention COP12 in 2015.

The series provides three unique factsheets synthesising core information about each Uruguayan Ramsar Site, presenting it in an easily downloadable format at www.ramsar.org/resources/ramsar-site-summaries and within the Country Profiles section of the Ramsar website (www.ramsar.org/wetland/uruguay). The summaries feature photographs by the acclaimed landscape photographer, Charlie Waite.

The British Embassy were keen to provide a resource that could be used for years to come to support eco-tourism and education, and raise overall awareness of Ramsar and wetlands. These summaries will harness the wealth of information available in the Ramsar Sites Information Service, with the aim of making it available to a broader audience, encouraging cross-border exchange of best practice, engaging policy-makers, providing wetland visitor centres with relevant and interesting handout materials, and engaging a potentially new and younger audience with fun facts.

It is hoped that the Site Summaries will provide a template for other countries to use for their Sites, so that over time the Contracting Parties can create a library of fact sheets about every Ramsar Site.

“The Site summaries provide a great opportunity to increase the visibility of the Ramsar Convention and Ramsar Sites in Uruguay”

Walter Regueiro,
Uruguay National Focal Point

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