Recommendation 1.11: [Thanks to the Italian hosts]

The Conference

RECOGNIZING the importance of the present Conference for the Ramsar Convention;

EXTREMELY GRATEFUL to the Government of Italy for its invitation to hold the Conference in Italy, and to the Ministry of Agriculture and the Regional Assessorat for the Environment for their effective execution of the many tasks associated with the Conference in Sardinia;

EXPRESSES its warmest thanks to the Ministry of Agriculture and to the Regional Assessorat for the Environment, as well as to the Mayor of Cagliari, for their welcome and hospitality;

NOTING FURTHER the effective operation of the Ramsar Convention in Italy and in particular the designation for the List of two new Sardinian sites, Sale Porcus and Mistras, to be visited during the post-Conference tour;

DEEPLY IMPRESSED by the exceptional importance of Sardinian wetlands and especially the two lagoons east and west of Cagliari designated for the Ramsar List and visited by participants during the Conference;

RECOMMENDS that research and action be considered at all appropriate levels to maintain the ecological character of all these sites.