

Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)
5th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
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Recommendation 5.8: Measures to promote public awareness of wetland values in wetland reserves

RECALLING the recognition in Montreux Recommendation REC. C.4.4 of the 'particular value of reserves in promoting conservation education and public awareness of the importance of wetland conservation and the goals of the Convention';

WELCOMING the measures already taken by Contracting Parties at wetland reserves to promote public awareness of wetland values;

NOTING WITH APPRECIATION the work already carried out in the field of promotion of public awareness by the Wetland Link International programme, as described by the Pointe-à-Pierre Wildfowl Trust (Trinidad & Tobago) in Workshop C at the present meeting;

THE CONFERENCE OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

CALLS ON Contracting Parties to develop facilities for promoting public awareness of wetland values at wetland reserves in their own territory;

RECOMMENDS that special efforts be made to promote international coordination of measures to further public awareness of wetland values in wetland reserves; and

FURTHER RECOMMENDS that an appropriate share of the Wetland Conservation Fund should be allocated to the development of wetland "Education and Public Awareness" initiatives.