

Combined annual reporting and forward planning format for Ramsar Regional Initiatives

Annual Summary Report for Year 2016 and Plan for Year 2017

(4 pages maximum)

1. Title of your Regional Initiative: East Asian – Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP)

2. Work and activities undertaken during Year 2016

Provide a simple summary on your work undertaken by listing your activities, the results achieved and your indicators of success according to the format below:

objectives	activities	results/outputs	indicators
1: Develop the Flyway Network of sites of international importance for the conservation of migratory waterbirds	Agreement at MOP8 to produce regular FSN updates at each MOP Nomination of new sites to the Network and updating information on existing sites	Update held at MOP9 in Jan 2017. Some updating of Site Information Sheets, but still incomplete. 13 new Network sites in 6 countries were approved at MOP9 in Jan 2017	Updated FSN presented at MOP9 Expanded FSN includes new sites
2: Enhance communication, education and public awareness of the values of migratory waterbirds and their habitats	Raising the profile of EAAFP at international forums Expansion of website. Production of awareness materials. Support Partners awareness campaigns.	Side events and networking meetings held at ASEAN Biodiversity Conference, World Conservation Congress (where Resolution 26 on coastal wetlands supported and passed), Intecol and other meetings. Website updated in Korean, Chinese, Japanese and Vietnamese. New EAAFP materials and E-newsletters produced. World Migratory Bird Day and waterbird conservation events supported	EAAFP and its role in conserving migratory waterbirds and their habitats is more widely understood and appreciated. General knowledge about migratory waterbirds and the threats they face has increased (more articles in press, Facebook likes, etc)
3: Enhance flyway research and monitoring activities, build knowledge and promote exchange of information on waterbirds and their habitats	Support technical Working Groups and Task Forces, e.g. Seabirds, Black-faced Spoonbill and CEPA Improved knowledge and priority setting for key areas, e.g. Yellow Sea. Increased capacity for monitoring and research.	Increased knowledge and information sharing through WG/TFs Support to China Blueprint, World Heritage nomination, etc Promoting knowledge on wild birds and Avian Influenza (AI) through video and brochure production and campaigning	Increased number of publications, including monitoring of waterbirds and their habitats in the Flyway. Updated information on the plight of migratory waterbirds, including risks from AI
4: Build the habitat and waterbird management capacity of natural resource managers, decision makers and local stakeholders	Country-based capacity building workshops. Training and awareness-raising	EAAFP jointly organized site manager training workshops in Indonesia (national) and Korea (international) with Ramsar Regional Center for East Asia.	Site managers and government representatives from EAAF countries received training, based on identified needs. EAAFP fostering cooperation between stakeholders in key countries
5: Develop, especially for priority species and habitats, flyway wide approaches to enhance the conservation status of	Support to development and implementation of international initiatives. Support species action	Support to Arctic Migratory Bird Initiative, Rio Tinto-Birdlife Geum Estuary, Yellow Sea meetings and Caring for Coasts.	The Partnership is actively implementing internationally agreed actions for recovery of threatened waterbird species.

migratory waterbirds	plans	Ongoing support to existing and new SAPs	
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EAAFP's MOP9 was held in early 2017 in Singapore, with record attendance and produced a combined annual report and workplan for all Partners, a process for developing a new Strategic Plan, governance reforms and technical resolutions. An Independent Review of EAAFP was carried out in 2016. In addition a Finance Committee produced proposals for diversifying EAAFP's funding base and Secretariat operational support, which were approved at MOP9.

3. Financial report for Year 2016

Provide a summary of income and expenditures. If you use another currency than Swiss Franc (CHF), please provide an average **exchange rate to the CHF**: Based on OANDA Currency Converter the average forex rate from Korean Won (KRW) to Swiss Franc (CHF) during calendar year 2016 was 0.0008

activities	planned expenditures	real expenditures
1.1 Administration	KRW 379.0 million	KRW 345.9 million
1.2 Partnership Activities	KRW 312.6 million	KRW 169.9 million
total	KRW 691.6 million	KRW 515.8 million

1.2 includes costs of MOP9, the site managers workshop in Suncheon, Korea, and WMBD events, Regional Yellow sea workshop in China, AI CEPA project, Independent review and participation in meetings, conferences and training.

sources of income (donors)	income received
Incheon City Government, Republic of Korea	KRW 509.0 million
Republic of Korea	KRW 70.0 million
USA	KRW 23.5 million
New Zealand	KRW 70.0 million
Miscellaneous income	KRW 5.8 million
Unused Balance of FY 2015 (carried over)	KRW 575.4 million
Interest of Bank Account	KRW 1.1 million
Ramsar core budget (where applicable) n/a	Nil
total	KRW 1,254.8 million (= approx. CHF 1,003,840)

Financial balance on 31 December 2016: amount left to be carried over to 2017: **KRW 678.6 million** (subject to audit confirmation). This includes a small amount from sundry sources of 'income' such as interest.

4. Work and activities planned for Year 2017

Provide a simple summary of your planned work, by listing your activities, their anticipated results and your indicators of success according to the format below:

objectives	activities	results/outputs	indicators
1: Develop the Flyway Network of sites of international importance for the conservation of migratory waterbirds	Update information on Network Sites, including status and threats Nomination of new sites to the Network.	New sites designated to the Network, especially high-priority ones. Improved information on network sites.	6-10 new sites are designated to the Network. Improved and updated database in place at EAAFP website Format preparation for reporting on FSN at MOP10
2: Enhance communication, education and public awareness of the values of migratory waterbirds and their habitats	Support to Partners in awareness-raising activities, e.g. World Migratory Birds Day. Continuation and expansion of present newsletter and website services. CEPA WG actions	Awareness raising events are held in Partner countries Additional pages and resources on website, including different language pages. Finalization of CEPA Strategy and Action Plan	Increased awareness through activities and website updating. Increased media references to EAAFP and migratory waterbird conservation.
3: Enhance flyway research and monitoring activities, build knowledge and promote exchange of information on waterbirds and their habitats	Continued support to improving monitoring methodologies and coverage Support to Working Groups to improve information on species	Working Groups document status and trends of species and habitats in key areas. Improved coordination of research and monitoring for key groups across countries	Improved monitoring methodologies result in more useful and effective information. Improved cooperation for research and monitoring (number of formal and informal groups/contacts).

	and habitats Raising EAAFP profile at upcoming events, e.g. CMS COP	Trip reports and outputs, including follow up actions	
4: Build the habitat and waterbird management capacity of natural resource managers, decision makers and local stakeholders	Promotion of National Partnerships. Workshop for site managers Posting of training and support materials for site managers on website	New national partnerships in operation. New sister site arrangements established. Training completed and materials disseminated	National Partnerships showing increasing collaboration for more coordinated and effective action. More site managers trained
5: Develop, especially for priority species and habitats, flyway wide approaches to enhance the conservation status of migratory waterbirds	Implement AMBI Develop Southeast Asian network proposal. Support to Yellow Sea World Heritage nominations Implement WCC Resolution 26 Ongoing support for new and existing single species action plans.	Flyway-wide projects and plans, focusing on critical sites. Action plans implemented for key species. Technical support to conservation workshops for threatened species.	The most highly threatened migratory waterbird species and habitats in the Flyway are receiving urgent conservation action. Selected Flyway-wide projects supported

5. Financial plan for the year 2017

Provide a summary of expected income and budgeted/planned expenditures. If you use another currency than Swiss Franc (CHF), please provide an average **exchange rate to the CHF**: Based on OANDA Currency Converter the average forex rate from Korean Won (KRW) to Swiss Franc (CHF) during calendar year 2016 was 0.0008

activities	planned expenditures	expected income and source
1.1 Administration	KRW 380.5 million	KRW 357.0 million (Incheon City Government) KRW 23.5 million (USA)
1.2 Partnership Activities	KRW 411.7 million	KRW 100.0 million (Incheon City Government), KRW 311.7million(Carried over funds, Interest income, funds from Partners including the Republic of Korea and USA)
Total	KRW 792.2 million	KRW 792.2 million (= approx. CHF 633,760)

1.2 comprises the annual core budget plus the unused funds carried forward from 2016