

Annex II

Combined annual reporting and forward planning format

Annual Report for Year 2019 and Plan for Year 2020

Written in January 2020

1. East Asian – Australasian Flyway Partnership

2. Work and activities undertaken during 2019

(The Objectives listed in the table below are drawn for the EAAF Partnership “sign on” document of Partners).

Objectives	Activities	Results/outputs	Indicators
1. Develop Flyway Site Network (Sites that are designated as Flyway Network Site (FNS) are often designated as Ramsar Sites later)	Provide advice and technical support to existing sites and the designation of new FNS; Provide small grants on a trial basis between 2019 - 2020, to promote their designation.	New four FNSs were designated: Republic of Korea 3 sites; including Incheon Songdo Tidal Flat Ramsar site, Cambodia (1 site) EAAFP Sec. supported small grants for promotion events or producing materials (e.g. signboards, leaflets and brochures) for public awareness. Flyway Site Network now has 145 sites.	New internationally important sites for migratory waterbirds nominated; 3 signboards, leaflet, celebrating events for new sites were supported. News on each of these events disseminated via EAAFP website and social media channel
2. CEPA on migratory waterbirds and their habitats	Provide regular news about the EAAFP and the Ramsar Convention etc on the EAAFP website and social media channels. Publishing a quarterly eNewsletter to all 1,854 subscribers including EAAFP Partners	News uploaded on to the EAAFP website at least on a weekly basis, and Facebook / Twitter / Instagram daily	Facebook members now increased to >65,000 (400 posts) Twitter members now increased to > 1200 (400 posts) Instagram members now increased to >660 (400 posts)
	Launch a new “ Friday Network Site (FNS) ” campaign	29 FNS Card News published on social media every Friday	
	CEPA activities and update, produce and distribute CEPA materials	Talks and seminars, booths at local events were organized to reach out to general public and youth. Name Card Holders on Black-faced Spoonbill, White-naped Crane created. A new version of EAAFP introduction video produced.	More than 20 events (12 talks, 7 fairs with booth, 2 large seminars, at least 5 CEPA activities) reaching out to over 9,000 students and

			<p>general public through meetings, workshops and events CEPA materials were distributed</p>
Promote World Wetland Day (WWD) and World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) events in the Flyway countries	<p>2019 WMBD video and factsheet with the theme of “Be the Solution of Plastic Pollution” published. Supported CMS to produce different national languages in EAAF. A WMBD public event for local people was organized in RO Korea together with over 100 participants including students, teachers and site managers. Small grants for EAAFP Partners were provided for partners.</p>	<p>In RO Korea, EAAFP Secretariat organized WMBD events in May and Oct 2019. In May, by inviting Ramsar Secretary-General, the Ramsar Convention and importance of wetland were recognized. 12 small grant funds in total for WMBD celebrations in Mongolia, Philippines, Bangladesh, Cambodia, DPR Korea in the Flyway were provided through WMBD Small Grant Program (Webpage)</p>	
Photo Contest and Bird Race	<p>In September 2019, the EAAFP launched an international photo contest for the first time to raise awareness on the importance of the conservation of migratory waterbirds and sustainable management of their habitats in the East Asian-Australasian Flyway (EAAF) region among the general public, Flyway Network Site managers, and wildlife photographers. The theme of the Photo Contest was in line with the EAAFP’s theme for 2019 – 2020, “Flyways – Connecting People and Migratory Waterbirds.” It highlighted that people are linked with migratory waterbirds and the wetlands they rely on, in the culture, tradition, art and daily lives. The contest emphasized that everyone along the Flyway, including farmers, fishermen, land managers, NGOs, researchers and others can play a role in the conservation of migratory waterbirds and the sustainable management of their habitats. Sony Electronics Asia Pacific was the sponsor of</p>	<p>Photo contest (Webpage)- 351 entrants, 1116 entries. 2019 HK Bird Watching Marathon Race (Article) – Over 100 participants, 26 teams Bird Walk (Article) in Thailand – 54 participants in total</p>	

		<p>the contest. In total 1,116 photos were submitted by 351 participants from the EAAF and outside of the flyway as well. It contributed enormously to promote the importance of the EAA Flyway and raise awareness of conservation of migratory waterbirds and habitats in the EAA Flyway by reaching to general public, Site Managers, Youth around the world.</p> <p>EAAFP also supported partner organizations to organize public outreach events such as bird race and public lecture in Hong Kong, Thailand, Republic of Korea in 2019. The outreach events contributed to raise awareness at the community level especially youth, families and citizens on biodiversity and conservation of wetlands.</p>	
	<p>New CEPA Action Plan for 2019 – 2024 was finalized and integrated into the newly developed Resourcing Plan</p>	<p>Implementation of the CEPA Action Plan (link)</p>	<p>CEPA action plan was introduced during 3 site managers training workshops, also CEPA strategy and actions were reflected in objectives 1-6</p>
<p>3. Research, monitoring, knowledge generation & Capacity building</p>	<p>Annual Small Grant program to support projects of EAAFP Working Groups (WG) and Task Forces (TF)</p>	<p>EAAFP Secretariat improved the application guideline and supported WG and TF activities proposals through the EAAFP Small Grant program such as Survey and hunting assessment of shorebirds with special focus on Spoon-billed Sandpiper in northern Sumatra, Indonesia</p>	<p>7 WG/TF projects were supported e.g. Survey, Assessment, Monitoring and etc. (Article)</p>
	<p>Collect and translate (with the support of the Country Partners) the key documents from MOP10</p>	<p>The new 2019 – 2028 Strategic Plan and 2018 – 2024 CEPA Action Plan translated into Partners language</p>	<p>Translated 13 different Partners languages of key documents</p>
	<p>Connecting relevant people and participating or hosting events/workshops along the flyway</p>	<p>Engage EAAFP Partners and collaborators participated in the EAAFP Secretariat's 10th anniversary event and Year-end reception; Co-organize and attend the relevant meetings in the flyway</p>	<p>Over 200 participants attended (article) to the Secretariat's event; Engaged in 24 workshops and events along the flyway</p>

4. Capacity building	Support the national-wide activities and site manager workshop by sharing of experience and best practice from Ramsar and EAAFP sites	Identify the needs of the organization of national and regional site managers workshop	Organization of three national site managers workshop in RO Korea (12 Nov), DPR Korea (14 Oct) and China (18 Oct) in 2019
5. Flyway-wide approaches to conservation	Support IUCN Yellow Sea WG meetings as a co-facilitator to build on IUCN Res 28 and 42, World Heritage nomination and other initiatives	<p>Support to the inscription of the Coast of Yellow-Sea – Bohai of China (Phase I) and provide ongoing supports on Korean Tidal nomination process to World Heritage List.</p> <p>As a part of the implementation of the IUCN Res, with IUCN and RRC-EA, organized two workshops and meetings; In the purpose of public awareness at national and international level in DPR Korea, EAAFP supported the organization of Swan Goose festival in Mundok, Ramsar Site.</p>	Two Yellow Sea WG meetings held in Beijing, China (5-7 March) and Shinan, RO Korea (11 Nov)
	Support the 2nd ASEAN Flyway Network meeting	Work with the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity (ACB) and the Singapore government to hold a meeting of the Network in Malaysia and to finalise the Phase II proposal (2020)	The inaugural Meeting of the ASEAN Flyway Network was held in Malaysia (May) (Article)
	Support the EAAFP Sister Sites arrangement	Liaising the Sister Site arrangement between Incheon Metropolitan City, RO Korea and Hong Kong, PR China (Nov) (Ramsar/Flyway Network sites are involved in both locations).	10th Sister sites registered (Article)
	Develop an EAAFP Resourcing Plan at EAAFP Finance Sub-Committee meeting (Sep)	To mobilize resources for high-impact interventions for Partners, the Resource Plan was developed with the support of the members of Finance Sub-Committee	The Resource Plan was draft and distributed with Partners.
	Establishment and operation of the new EAAFP Science Unit	Since the establishment of the Science Unit in EAAFP MoP10 in Dec 2018 based in Beijing Forestry university, providing the technical and scientific supports by engaging the flyway's conservation activities.	In 2019, the EAAFP Science Unit has engaged in 12 events, 10 workshops, 6 meetings and 2 projects along the flyway.

3. Financial report for Year 2019 (USD to CHF, exchange rate as of 29 Jan 2020)

Activities	Expenditures			
	Planned		Actual	
	CHF	USD	CHF	USD
1. Develop Flyway Site Network	29,225	30,000	15,883	16,305
2. CEPA on migratory waterbirds and their habitats	97,417	10,000	38,563	39,558
3. Research, monitoring, knowledge generation	545,538	560,000	522,591	536,445
4. Capacity building	92,546	95,000	9,142	9,385
5. Flyway-wide approaches to conservation	155,868	160,000	64,522	66,233
Total	920,594	945,000	650,701	667,926

Note: Operation and Human Resource cost are not covered in the above table

Sources of income (as of 31 Dec 2019)	Income received	
	CHF	USD
Incheon Metropolitan City government	425,626	436,910
EAAFP Partner voluntary contributions	106,612	109,439
Science Unit Operation	487,087	500,000
Fundraising	25,085	25,751
Ramsar core budget (where applicable)	0	0
Total	1,044,440	1,072,100

Financial balance at 31 December 2019: total unspent and uncommitted balance left to be carried over to 2020, or deficit: *Activity Balance to be carried to 2020=USD 404,174*

For those initiatives receiving funding from the Convention in 2019, please explain how this funding has been spent or committed and compare this to the plan on which the funding request was based. Explain any significant scope or timetable changes:

To-date the EAAFP has not request any financial support from the Ramsar Secretariat. We plan for the Initiative to continue to be a self-funding initiative.

4. Work and activities planned for Year 2020

Objectives	Activities	Results/outputs	Indicators
1. Develop Flyway Site Network (Sites that are designated as FNS are often designated as Ramsar Sites later)	Providing advice and technical support to existing sites and the designation of new Flyway Network Sites (FNS); Provide small funds to on a trial basis, to promote FNS designation by organizing celebrations, production of signboards and leaflets etc	At least 3 FNSs designated in the flyway and improved managed of existing sites; Small funds provided to newly designated FNS to promote their designation, e.g. to organize celebrations, produce signboards, leaflets etc	Number of new FNS designated; Number of small funds provided, and number of celebrations organized
2. CEPA on migratory waterbirds and their habitats	Provide regular news about the EAAFP, the Ramsar Convention etc on the EAAFP website and social media channels; publish a quarterly-released eNewsletter	News uploaded on to the EAAFP website at least on a weekly basis, and Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Weibo, Wexin, Naver – Korean blog) on a daily basis.	Increasing number of followers and subscribers.
	Update, produce and distribute CEPA materials and participating or organizing CEPA activities	New EAAFP information brochure, Flyway Network Site brochure and new key species flyers	Number distributed and number of events participated or held
	Promote World Wetland Day and World Migratory Bird Day events in the Flyway countries	EAAFP Secretariat organizes events in RO Korea and country Partners organize their own national events. WMBD Small grant to be offered to Partners	Promotional materials of WMBD produced; Number of events supported by EAAFP WMBD Small grant and events organized in RO Korea and in Partner countries
	Hold a flyway-wide Youth Forum organization	Establish the network for Youth bringing together young people from Flyway countries around specific themes (Ramsar Youth engaged in Wetlands as potential collaborator), and developing flyway conservation leadership skills and knowledge: the activity will try to leverage funds from Partner and others	Organization of one youth forum
	Develop additional national languages content for the EAAFP website	Through EAAFP Volunteer program, new national pages developed in local language.	We developed material in at least 2 additional national languages.

3. Research, monitoring, knowledge generation and exchange	Support the activities of the EAAFP Working Groups (WG) and Task Forces (TF)	Implement the Small Grants program to support the work of the WGs and TFs; Support the relevant projects and activities for key species	Number of Small Grants provided to WGs and TFs
	Collect and translate (with the support of the Country Partners), the key documents from MOP10.	Identify the key documents and translate to local languages.	Production of new Strategic Plan brochure and translation of MOP10 key documents to additional local languages
4. Capacity building	Support the sharing of experience and good practices at the international level for the management of FNS	Identify one host country and organization to work with to hold the workshop for experience sharing	Organization of at least one international FNS workshop
	Support the national-wide activities and site manager workshop by sharing of experience and best practice from Ramsar and EAAFP sites	Identify the needs of the organization of national and regional site managers workshop	Organization of at least one national site managers workshop and support of the activities in the flyway
	Produce the tutorial (webinar) for the Reporting Template and EAAFP Resourcing Plan	Partners submit their report on time with all questionnaires filled. The Resourcing Plan be endorsed by the Partnership at MOP11.	The level of understanding of the Partners on the purpose and the elements of the Reporting Template and the Resourcing Plan .
5. Flyway-wide approaches to conservation	Support Yellow Sea WG meetings, building on IUCN Res 28 and 42, World Heritage nomination and other initiatives	Finalize the IUCN WG Workplan and implement proposed activities with three governments at the scheduled 4 th meeting; the side event at IUCN WCC 2020; Support the Phase II of the Coast of Yellow-Sea – Bohai of China and provide ongoing support on Korean Tidal nomination process to World Heritage List which will be decided in July 2020	Support of cooperation among three countries in YS; Technical advice
	Support the new design of the ASEAN Flyway Network initiative Phase II	Work collaboratively with the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity (ACB) and the Singapore government to plan the phase II	Support the activities in ASEAN region and the Phase II . Attend ACB Biodiversity Summit
	Develop new EAAFP Sister Sites arrangement	Develop the guideline of Sister Site arrangement after analyzing about other 7 sister sites status	A guideline developed; the number of new Sister Site

	Support the network in NE Asia	Work with North-East Asian Subregion Program for Environment Cooperation (NEASPEC / UNESCAP) to support the transboundary cooperation among protected wetlands in the Tumen Estuary (DPRK/Russia/China)	Technical support to implement the project in regard to the habitats for migratory waterbirds
	Support and Promote the Partnership through presentations, meetings, side-events and exhibitions in the Flyway	Contribute to CMS COP, IUCN WCC, CBD COP and etc	Inputs to the global agenda linking with new Strategic Plan
	Maintain close liaison with the Ramsar Regional Initiatives in the EAAF	Strengthen CEPA and capacity building outcome through collaboration	Number collaborative activities

Financial Summary of 2020 plan. (USD to CHF, exchange rate as of 29 Jan 2020)

Activities	Forecast/budgeted expenditures real expenditures	
	CHF	USD
1. Develop Flyway Site Network	29,225	30,000
2. CEPA on migratory waterbirds and their habitats	82,804	85,000
3. Research, monitoring, knowledge generation	516,312	530,000
4. Capacity building	131,513	135,000
5. Flyway-wide approaches to conservation	155,868	160,000
Total	915,722	940,000

Sources of Income	Forecast/budgeted amount of income	
	CHF	USD
Incheon Metropolitan City government	425,626	436,910
EAAFP Partner voluntary contributions	92,789	95,249
Science Unit Operation	487,087	500,000
Fundraising	37,992	39,000
Request from Ramsar core budget	0	0
Total	1,043,494	1,071,159