

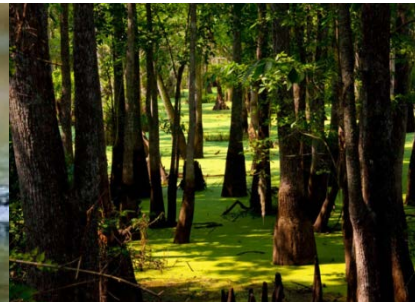


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SC52-16: Update on formal agreements and joint work plans of the Ramsar Convention and partners

Friday, 17 June 2016



Background



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The Ramsar Convention acknowledges the importance of entering into partnerships in order to enhance the implementation of the Convention. The Ramsar Strategic Plan 2016 – 2024, paragraph 42 states:

“...existing partnerships with Ramsar Regional Initiatives, IOPs and MEAs should be strengthened and new partnerships with civil society and the business sector forged in order to enhance Convention implementation...”

The Convention, through the Secretariat, has supported numerous collaborations and these are displayed on the Ramsar website at

<http://www.ramsar.org/about/partnerships>.



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The following Annexes were provided:

1. A summary of signed agreements currently in force, with their start and expiration dates;
2. A proposed revision and update to the JWP between the Ramsar Convention and the Convention on Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) 2015-2017;
3. A draft of a proposed new MOU between UNEP and the Ramsar Convention;
4. A draft of a proposed MOC between the Nagao Natural Environment Foundation and the Ramsar Convention Secretariat;
5. A draft of a proposed MOU on the establishment and operation of the Ramsar Regional Center – East Asia; and
6. Draft Terms of Reference for collaboration between Ramsar Convention and Shell on wetlands for carbon capture and storage.

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The following Annexes are provided:

1. A summary of signed agreements currently in force and those which have expired;
2. Update on the JWP between the Ramsar Convention and the Convention on Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) 2015-2017;
3. A draft of a proposed new MOU between UNEP and the Ramsar Convention;
4. A draft of a proposed MOC between the Nagao Natural Environment Foundation and the Ramsar Convention Secretariat;
5. The bilateral agreement between the Chair of the Steering Committee for the Ramsar Regional Centre-East Asia and the Ramsar Convention Secretariat, under paragraph 6 of the Operational Guidelines for regional initiatives (2013-2015) to renew the existing arrangements under which the RRC-EA was set up in 2010; and
6. The draft of a proposed new MOU between UN-Habitat and the Ramsar Convention on the Wetland City Accreditation of the Ramsar Convention.

THANK YOU!



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Actions requested:

The Standing Committee is invited:

- to review and approve the revised draft agreements at Annexes 2-4.
- to note that in future, the Ramsar Secretariat will, as far as possible, use IUCN's standard templates for agreements when developing new Memoranda of Understanding etc.

