

Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)
15th meeting of the Scientific & Technical Review Panel
30 March – 3 April 2009, Gland, Switzerland

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Draft outline Agenda

Monday 30 March 2009

1000-1300	Plenary	
1000-1030	1. Welcome & opening comments: - STRP Chair - Deputy Secretary General	Chair
1030-1100	2. Introductions - brief introduction of members, invited experts and observers	Chair
1100-1105	3. Adoption of the Agenda	
1105-1135	4. Briefing on STRP <i>modus operandi</i> & overview of Convention processes; objectives and outcomes for STRP15	Deputy Secretary General (DSG)
1135-1200	5. Establishment of Thematic Work Area (TWA) Working Groups and their core membership Ten TWA Working Groups are proposed (STRP lead member in brackets): TWA1: Regional networking (Rebecca D’Cruz – Vice-Chair) TWA2: Strategic, emerging & ongoing issues (including general wise use of wetlands) (Heather MacKay – Chair) TWA3: Wetland inventory, assessment, monitoring and reporting (incl indicators) (Dave Pritchard) TWA4: Wetlands and human health (Pierre Horwitz) TWA5: Wetlands and climate change (Max Finlayson) TWA6: Wetlands and water resources management (Mike Acreman) TWA7: Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar sites) (David Stroud) TWA8: Wetland management – restoration, mitigation, compensation (Kevin Erwin) TWA9: Wetlands and agriculture (George Lukacs) TWA10: CEPA (Christine Prietto)	Chair
1200-1300	6. Background and overview of Resolution X.10 tasks and priorities, and progress in previous triennium - Brief (5 minutes) summary from each TWA lead on previous triennium work (completed and ongoing), current proposed tasks, future strategic issues, issues arising since COP10, links with other TWAs.	Chair
1300-1400	Lunch	
1400-1500	Plenary	
1400-1430	7. Review of available task implementation funds, and funds needed	DSG/Chair
1430-1500	8. Briefing for TWA Working Groups on outcomes & products needed, and procedures to be followed; room allocations and logistics	Chair /DSG
1500-1800	TWA Working Groups – parallel sessions	TWA WG leads
	9. TWA Working Groups – Work Plan development for task delivery:	

	TWA6: Wetlands and water resources management (Resolution X.10 tasks 7.1-7.7)	Mike Acreman
	TWA7: Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar sites) (Resolution X.10 tasks 8.1-8.9)	David Stroud
	TWA3: Wetland inventory, assessment, monitoring and reporting (Resolution X.10 tasks 4.1-4.12, excluding tasks 4.3 & 4.5 – see below)	Dave Pritchard
1800-1830	Light supper (soup & sandwiches)	
1830-2030	Climate change and wetlands: briefing and discussion on recent work and relevant initiatives, including: - wetlands and the global carbon cycle (Colin Lloyd) - Danone/Ramsar/IUCN wetlands and carbon offsets initiative (DSG/IUCN) - TNC nature-based adaptation initiative (Roy Gardner) - IPCC 5 th Assessment Report	Max Finlayson

Tuesday 31 March 2009

0900-1000	9. TWA Working Groups – Work Plan development for task delivery: TWA1: Regional networking (session 1) (Resolution X.10 task 1.3) Informal small group discussions on ongoing tasks & links – as needed by TWA and task leads. TWA Working Groups continuation from previous day if not completed.	Rebecca D’Cruz TWA WG leads
1000-1300	TWA Working Groups – parallel sessions 9. TWA Working Groups – Work Plan development for task delivery:	
	TWA5: Wetlands and climate change (Resolution X.10 tasks 6.1-6.3)	Max Finlayson
	TWA10: CEPA (Resolution X.10 tasks 1.4; 10.1-10.3)	Christine Prietto
	TWA9: Wetlands and agriculture (Resolution X.10 tasks 2.1-2.2)	George Lukacs
1300-1400	Lunch	
1400-1700	TWA Working Groups – parallel sessions 9. TWA Working Groups – Work Plan development for task delivery:	
	TWA4/TWA8: Joint session: Ramsar site data & information needs and data management tasks (Resolution X.10 tasks 4.3 & 4.5)	Dave Pritchard/David Stroud
	TWA5: Wetlands and human health (Resolution X.10 task 5.1)	Pierre Horwitz
	TWA9: Wetland management – restoration, mitigation, compensation (Resolution X.10 tasks 9.1-9.2)	Kevin Erwin
1715-1915	Wetland inventory, assessment and indicators: briefing and discussion on recent work and relevant initiatives, including: - developing the Global Wetland Observing System (G-WOS) (Max Finlayson?) - development of GlobWetland II & the Mediterranean Wetland Observatory (European Space Agency) - progress with the STRP’s ecological outcome-oriented indicators of	Chair/Dave Pritchard

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Wednesday 1 April 2009

0900-1000	9. TWA Working Groups – Work Plan development for task delivery: TWA1: Regional networking (session 2) Informal small group discussions on ongoing tasks & links – as needed by TWA and task leads. TWA Working Groups continuation from previous day if not completed.	Rebecca D’Cruz TWA WG leads
1000-1300	Plenary	
	9. TWA Working Groups – Work Plan development for task delivery: TWA2: Strategic, emerging & ongoing issues (including general wise use of wetlands): -review of rolling list of issues and sectors; - consideration of other Resolution X.10 tasks not covered by other TWAs; - review and advice on STRP Support Service future functioning and redevelopment (Resolution X.10 tasks 1.1, 1.2, 1.5; 2.3-2.16; 3.1.3.2)	Chair (TWA2 lead)
1300-1400	Lunch	
1400-1700	Plenary	
	10. Report back from each TWA Working Group on work plan, and agreement on each TWA work plan	Chair/TWA WG leads
1715-1915	Other relevant issues and topics: briefing and discussion on recent work and relevant initiatives, including: -CBD links, including in-depth review of inland waters programme of work, and 2010 biodiversity target (David Coates – CBD Secretariat) -USEPA ecosystem services research-collaboration (Chair) -ASWM climate change guidance for site managers-collaboration (Chair) -‘Skukuza’ freshwater group-collaboration (Chair) [Note. Short information notes on these issues will be provided by organizations not attending STRP15.]	Chair/Vice-Chair

Thursday 2 April 2009

0900-1000	9. (continued) TWA Working Groups – Work Plan development for task delivery: TWA1: Regional networking (session 3) Informal small group discussions on ongoing tasks & links – as needed by TWA and task leads – to finalise WG task descriptions.	Rebecca D’Cruz TWA WG leads
1000-1300	Plenary	
	10. (continued) Report back from each TWA Working Group on work plan, and agreement on each TWA work plan	Chair/TWA WG leads
1300-1400	Lunch	
1400-1800	Plenary	
	10. (continued) Report back from each TWA Working Group on work plan, and agreement on each TWA work plan	Chair/TWA WG leads
	11. Review of consolidated 2009-2012 work plan and budget allocation priorities	Chair/TWA WG leads
1930-	STRP Dinner	

Friday 3 April 2009

0900-1000	Informal small group discussions on ongoing tasks & links – as needed by TWA and task leads – to finalise WG task descriptions.	TWA WG leads
1000-1300	Plenary	
	11. (continued) Review of consolidated 2009-2012 work plan and budget allocation priorities	Chair/TWA WG leads
1300-1400	Lunch	
1400-1530	Plenary	
	12. Date and venue of mid-term workshops	Chair
	13. Any other business	Chair
	14. Closing comments, and closure of the meeting	Chair/DSG
1530	Departure; informal meetings and discussions	