



Partners involved

Transfer of know-how within networks

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Birdlife International
with *Alison Duncan*



Enclosed Seas Deltas Fondation Sansouire Tour du Valat (France), *EUROSITE*
with *Christian Perennou*
Wetlands International Kiev
with *Igor Ivanenko*



North East Asian Wild Bird Society of Japan, Birdlife International, Wing
with *Simba Chan*



Training

ATEN-Atelier Technique des Espaces Naturels
Garoua Training Centre-Cameroon
with *Emmanuel Thévenin*



Evian Encounters

Royal Club Evian
Promotion International-Kairos Conseil
with *Monique de Bary*



Water and Health in Cambodia

UICN France-The World Conservation Union
with *Sacha Greenberg*



Mountain Wetland Symposium

WWF International
with *Denis Landenbergue and Musonda Mumba*



Coordination of the Evian project

Conservatoire de l'espace littoral et des rivages lacustres
with *Christophe Lefebvre*



Caring for Water Resources



and Water Quality

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Evian project

a five-year programme of actions,
applying the objectives of the strategic plan
of the Ramsar Convention (1997-2002)



The Evian Project

Caring for Water Resources and Water Quality

Implementing the Ramsar strategic plan

From Brisbane in Australia (COP 6-1996),
via San José in Costa Rica (COP 7-1999),
to Valencia in Spain (COP 8-2002)

1997

▶ Preparation of the programme according to the objectives of the Ramsar strategic plan



Signature of the Memorandum of Understanding
27 January 1998, Paris

Institutional partners of the Evian project

- The Ramsar Convention on Wetlands
- The French Ministry of Foreign affairs
- The French Fund for the Global Environment - FFEM
- The French Ministry of Land Planning and Environment
- The Société des Eaux Minérales d'Evian
- The Danone Corporate Group
- The Town of Evian
- The Conservatoire de l'espace littoral et des rivages lacustres

1998-2000

▶ Application of the Memorandum of Understanding
Budget : 1 million Euros (Danone Group and FFEM)

2001-2002

▶ Additionnal programme
Budget : 300 000 Euros (Danone Group)

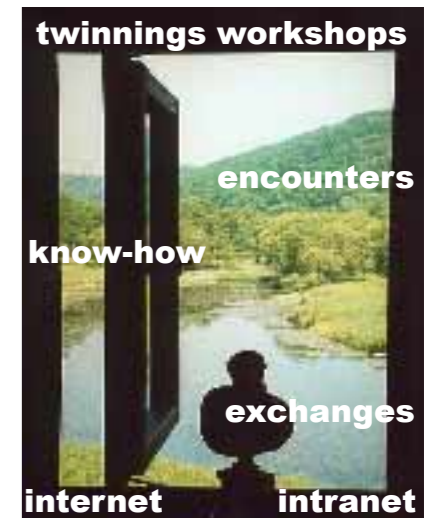
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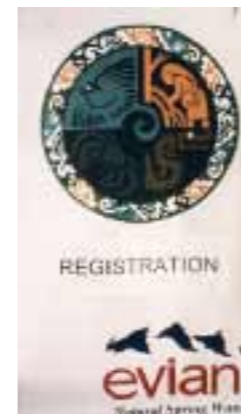
Designation

of mountain wetlands as Ramsar sites of international importance, including underground hydrological systems, glacial areas ecosystems and lakes of high altitude

Setting up
miscellaneous Ramsar Sites networks
implemented by new constituencies



Raising



private sector involvement to give increased recognition to wetland attributes, functions and values





The Evian Project
Caring for Water Resources and Water Quality

Sites - Countries - Regions concerned by the project



awareness of decision makers,

- 60 National representatives attending the Evian encounters

1998/South and Central America :

Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

1999/African francophone countries :

Algeria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Guinea, Mali, Madagascar, Morocco, Niger, Senegal, Togo

2000/African anglophone countries :

Bostwana, Egypt, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritania, Namibia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zimbabwe

2001/Arab speaking countries :

Bahrain, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates, Yemen

training networks

- ▲ 40 Ramsar Sites managers involved in networks

North East Asian Network :

Kytalyk, Khingansky, Lake Khanka, Daursky, Mongol Daguur '*Russia*', Xingkai Lake, Yellow River Delta, Yancheng, Poyang Lake '*China*', Han River Estuary, Cholwon Basin '*Korea*', Kiritappu Marsh, Akkeshi Lake and Bekanbeushi Marsh, Kushiro Marsh, Yashiro, Izumi-Takaono '*Japan*'

East Atlantic Network :

Zuid Kust Schouwen '*The Netherlands*', Snettisham Reserve '*United Kingdom*', Baie de Somme, Marais de Séné , Marais de Moëze '*France*', Ria Formosa '*Portugal*', Cadix Bay '*Spain*', Merja Zerga '*Morocco*', Banc d'Arguin, Diawling '*Mauritania*', Djoudj '*Senegal*'

Enclosed seas Deltas Network : (Mediterranean, Black sea, Caspian sea) :

Ebro '*Spain*', Po '*Italy*', Rhône '*France*', Axios Loudias Aliakmon '*Greece*', Göksu '*Turkey*', Volga '*Russian Fed*', Dunai Plavni, Dniestr '*Ukraine*', Danube '*Romania*'

Objectives of the Evian project

awareness

Raising of awareness among decision makers in the Contracting Parties so that operating regulatory frameworks are put into place at national level, together with wetland management mechanisms and tools, and that more attention is paid to problems of water quality, under the Ramsar Convention.

training

The promotion of know-how in matters of wetland management and the transfer of such know-how through bilateral and multilateral technical exchanges between Ramsar Site managers.

communication

Strengthening of capacity in terms of information, liaison and communication between wetland protection and management bodies, using up-to-date information technology and through the development of new methods of communication.



CONVENTION ON WETLANDS
CONVENTION SUR LES ZONES HUMIDES
CONVENCIÓN SOBRE LOS HUMEDALES
(Ramsar, Iran, 1971)

Programme of Actions 1998-2002

| Objectives | Targets | Action | Dates | Concerned countries, regions and sites | Description |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Raising awareness | Decision makers | Evian encounters | October 1998 October 1999 November 2000 October 2001 | South and Central America Francophone African countries Anglophone African countries West Asia and the Middle East |  Seminars for high-level government officials from Ramsar Contracting Parties to analyse the application of the Convention, including field visits related to water resources management |
| | | Mountain Living Waters | March 2001 | Alps, Himalayas, Andes, Rocky Mountains, Fouta Djallon (Africa) | Symposium for recommending the designation of mountain wetlands as Ramsar sites, incorporating underground hydrological systems, glacial and post-glacial areas, and mountain lakes |
| | Local population | Water and health |  2000-2002 | Cambodia, Siem Reap Province, Banteay Srey District, Communes of Run ta Ek, Rum Chek, Tbeng | Encouraging active participation of local communities, including indigenous people, and in particular women, in the conservation and wise use of wetlands |
| Training and transfer of know-how for Ramsar Site managers | Bilateral and multilateral exchanges | East Atlantic Network | September 1998 | Baie de Somme, (France) | Workshops Importance of water quality and quantity for waterbirds Ecotourism and integration of local communities Exploitation of natural resources in coastal wetlands by humans and uses by birds |
| | | | February 1999 March 2000 | Djouf (Senegal) and Diawling (Mauritania) Merja Zerga (Morocco), Cadiz Bay (Spain) | |
| | | | January 1999 October 2000 | Pô Delta, Campagnia Lupia (Italy) Mediterranean, Black sea, Caspian Sea Odesa (Ukraine) | |
| | Workshops | Enclosed Seas' Deltas Network | March 2001 | Yellow River Delta (China) | Management plans and water quality and resources Networks for the conservation of Deltas |
| | | | February 2002 | Kushiro Marshes (Japan) | |
| Transfrontier cooperation | Northeast Asia Crane Network | March 2001 February 2002 | Yellow River Delta (China) Kushiro Marshes (Japan) | Education programme and visitors management Guidelines for visitors management | |
|  | Training sessions and courses | August 1998 May 1998 | Kamiali : Papua New Guinea Dauria International Protected Area, China, Mongolia, and Russian Federation | Training in freshwater inventory techniques Training meeting for transfrontier cooperation | |
| | | 1998 | Lelystad Center (The Netherlands) | Individual training courses for isolated wetland managers from Armenia, Kenya, Pakistan | |
| | | March 2000 | Garoua Training Centre (Cameroon) | Training session for Ramsar Site managers from Francophone African countries : Algeria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Guinea, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritius, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, Togo | |
| Enhancing Communication | Policy makers and administrators | Ramsar communication tools | 1998-2000 | Internet connection for Ramsar focal points in Armenia, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Comoros, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Ghana, Guinea, Namibia, Niger, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Russian Federation, Togo | Improving communications by developing the international email capacities of the Ramsar focal point in Contracting Parties Production of a Ramsar video and leaflets |
| | | | 1999-2000 | Countries concerned | Translation of Ramsar publications into Russian, Chinese and Farsi |
| | The media and The general public | Ramsar Awards | 1999 2002 | 1999 Ramsar Conference of the Parties (San José, Costa Rica) 2002 Ramsar Conference of the Parties (Valencia, Spain) | Cash prize (USD 10,000) for each of the three laureates that received the Ramsar Wetland Conservation Award |
| | | Ramsar exhibitions | 2000 | Biodiversity Convention Meeting, Nairobi, Kenya Wetlands Millennium Event, Quebec, Canada Conference of Asian Ministers, Kitakiushu, Japan Desertification Convention Meeting, Bonn, Germany World Conservation Congress, Amman, Jordan | Production of a Ramsar travelling exhibition Reproduction of the travelling exhibition in a series of eight posters |
| | | World Wetlands Day | 2 February 2001 | Distributed to all Contracting Parties, NGOs, etc. | Production of an information pack on wetland functions and values for the 30th Anniversary of the Convention |
| | | 2 February 2002 | National Museum of Natural History, Paris, France | Press conference and debate | |
| | Ramsar Information Centre | 2001 | Evian-Le Pré Curieux | Establishment of an interpretation centre | |