

1. **Title of your regional initiative:** Partnership for the East Asian – Australasian Flyway

This report refers to the period 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009 and applies to the Secretariat of the EAAFP located in Incheon, Republic of Korea. The Secretariat was properly operational only from November 2009 when the Chief Executive was appointed. Partnership activities during January to July 2009 were conducted by an Interim Secretariat under separate funding and located in Australia (hosted by Wetlands International).

2. **Work and activities undertaken 2009**

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
Administration	Establish the Secretariat Office in Incheon and recruit personnel.	Initial core of seconded staff was boosted by appointed staff in November-December. Chief Executive started work on 1 November 2009. Most of the office systems were operational by end of 2009.	Secretariat team established and near-complete; operating effectively.
EAAF Partnership objectives 1-5 (as per the Partnership Document)	Conduct an annual Meeting of Partners	Preparations for MoP4 began in December 2009 once the date was set late in December by the Chair (Korea). MoP4 was scheduled for end of February 2010.	(Too early to assess.)
	Interactions with the Ramsar Convention	In Nov 09: the Chief Executive participated in the Changwon Declaration Meeting in Korea; and the Chief and Secretariat staff participated in a symposium in Korea, linking Ramsar (& Flyway Network) sites in Korea and Japan (rice paddies initiative).	A good working relationship has been formed between the Ramsar Regional Center East Asia and the EAAFP Secretariat. Likewise with the Ramsar technical officer for Asia-Oceania.

If felt useful, you may add narrative text to specify further your achievements, improvement of Ramsar implementation in the region, etc.

### 3. Financial report for the year 2009

Provide a summary of income and expenditures:

activities	planned expenditures	real expenditures
Administration	KRW 277 million	KRW 154 million
Meeting of Partners	KRW 50 million	KRW 19 million
Other Partnership Activities	KRW 50 million	nil
<b>total</b>	<b>KRW 377 million</b>	<b>KRW 173 million</b>

sources of income (donors)	income received
Incheon City Government, Republic of Korea	KRW 377 million
<b>Ramsar core budget</b> (not applicable)	nil
<b>total</b>	<b>KRW 377 million</b>

**Financial balance on 31 December 2009:** amount left to be carried over to 2010, or deficit.

Under the special, one-off conditions of the 2009 funding, all unused funds from the allocation for calendar year 2009 were required to be returned to the funder.

Accordingly, the balance of funds at 31 December 2009 effectively was nil. However, the full allocation of funds for 2010 from this donor was received in January 2010.

### 4. Work and activities planned for 2010

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
Administration	Complete establishment of the Secretariat in Incheon.	Expected that the staffing will be completed in January and all systems fully operational by end of first quarter of 2010.	A complete team (6 staff and Chief) and effective systems in operation.
EAAF Partnership objectives 1-5 (as per the Partnership Document)	Conduct an annual Meeting of Partners	MoP4 to be completed on 23-24 February 2010.	A successful meeting, with a work plan for 2010 identified.
	Other Partnership activities will be defined by MoP4 and are expected to include: document translation; website development and maintenance; expansion of the Sites Network; monitoring of condition of Network Sites.	Additional Partners joining the Partnership; more key documents posted to website in Partner languages; Sites Network increased by at least 10%; monitoring program established..	Number of new Partners; number of documents translated and number of languages used; number of new Network Sites and number of countries in which located; number of Network Sites participating in monitoring.

## 5. Financial plan for the year 2010

Provide a summary of expected income and budgeted/planned expenditures:

The Secretariat of the EAAFP is essentially an administrative body supporting the work being done by the Partners. It is not intended to be a funding body as the Partnership work will primarily be done by the Partners themselves. Hence it will have limited funds for project implementation. This may change in the future if new sources of funding for Flyway or regional scale activities can be secured and it is decided by the Partners that the Secretariat (rather than a Partner) should manage those activities.

<b>activities</b>	<b>planned expenditures</b>	<b>expected income and source</b>
Administration, including personnel, expenses, rentals.	KRW 409 million	KRW 409 million (Incheon City Government, Korea)
Annual Meeting of Partners (February 2010)	KRW 50 million	KRW 50 million (Incheon City Government, Korea)
Annual Meeting of Partners (February 2010) and EAAFP website development	KRW 25 million	approx KRW 25 million (Ministry of the Environment, Japan: JPY 2.0 million)
Other Partnership Activities: document translation; contributions to costs of meetings hosted or supported by the Secretariat.	KRW 50 million	KRW 50 million (Incheon City Government, Korea)
<b>total</b>	<b>KRW 534 million</b>	<b>KRW 534 million</b>