

# The Neotropical Mangrove Conservation Alliance

## WORLD WETLANDS DAY ACTIVITIES

### Neotropical Mangrove Conservation Alliance (Mangrove Alliance) – Regional Coordination

Published a the news story on WWD celebrations in the Caribbean: in Dominican Republic (by BirdLife Partner Grupo Jaragua) and in Puerto Rico (by BirdLife Partner Sociedad Ornitológica Puertorriqueña, Inc. The Mangrove Alliance also promoted WWD on Mangrove Alliance website (<http://www.birdlife.org/mangrove-alliance/>) and through social media Facebook.

See: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Mangrove-Alliance/222866231138284>

### Dominican Republic – Grupo Jaragua (read above)

Promoted WWD through their social media Facebook.

See: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Grupo-Jaragua/83964234769>

### Puerto Rico – Sociedad Ornitológica Puertorriqueña, Inc. (SOPI)

Promoted WWD in their website (<http://www.avesdepuertorico.org/index.html>) where they included their **full-day activity program for 2 February**. A total of 45 people participated in this program and a wider audience was reached through broadcasting on Univisión Puerto Rico channel and on a morning radio program. They also promoted WWD in the article [*in Spanish*] 'Día Mundial de los Humedales 2013 resalta el valor del agua' included in the digital newspaper "Mi Puerto Rico Verde" (*My Green Puerto Rico*). SOPI also promoted WWD through social media Facebook

See: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Sociedad-Ornitol%C3%B3gica-Puertorrique%C3%B1a-Inc/229877850362977?fref=ts>

## OTHER MANGROVE ALLIANCE PARTNERS

### El Salvador – SalvaNatura Fundación Ecológica

Published the news story [*in Spanish*] 'Conservar humedales a partir de la ciencia' in their website and promoted WWD through social media: Facebook.

See: <http://www.facebook.com/salvanatura>

### Panama – Panama Audubon Society

Participated alongside the Panamanian National Wetlands Committee and other 10 collaborating NGOs and scientific institutions in a series of five presentations, all related to WWD 2013 slogan 'Wetlands take care of water'. They also promoted WWD through social media Facebook (see: <http://www.facebook.com/audubonpanama>) and published a press note [*in Spanish*] entitled 'A call to the Panamanian government to restore the protection of wetlands and stop their destruction'

### Belice – Belice Audubon Society

Posted the following through social media Facebook

See: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Belize-Audubon-Society/146901337104>

"The theme for this year's World Wetlands Day on 2 February is Wetlands and Water Management. The key objective of World Wetlands Day 2013 is to raise people's awareness of the interdependence between water and wetlands, to highlight ways to ensure the equitable sharing of water between different stakeholder groups and to understand that without wetlands there will be no water. Crooked Tree Wildlife Lagoon is designated as a Ramsar site, reason why we are happily celebrating World Wetlands Day with the students of Crooked Tree Government School."

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