



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

Notification 2014/1

Report and decisions of the 47th Meeting of the Standing Committee

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971) presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of... and has the honour to refer to the following:

The Standing Committee of the Convention on Wetlands held its 47th meeting in Gland, Switzerland, from 24 to 28 March 2014. A record of the decisions taken (in English, French and Spanish) and a report of the meeting (in English only) are available on the Ramsar web site at www.ramsar.org/sc47-final-docs.

The web page also presents the list of meeting participants, the opening statements and presentations made, including some with an accompanying audio recording. There is also a list of Draft Resolutions to be prepared, which the Standing Committee discussed during the meeting.

The Standing Committee agreed, through Decision SC47-08 vi), **to encourage all Parties to submit their National Reports, if possible, by 1 August 2014**, so that the information can be used in the preparation of the fourth Ramsar Strategic Plan. This decision and the amended deadline reflect the tight timeframe for consulting on the new Plan.

The Secretariat respectfully requests the prompt actions of Contracting Parties in this regard, and recalls that National Report Forms can be downloaded, in English, French and Spanish, at: www.ramsar.org/cda/en/ramsar-documents-natl-rpts-national-reports-cop12/main/ramsar/1-31-121-592_4000_0.

The Standing Committee also approved the date and venue for the 12th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties (COP12) in **Punta del Este, Uruguay from 1 to 9 June 2015**.

Finally, the Standing Committee agreed to reconvene for its 48th meeting **from 26 to 30 January 2015, in Gland**.

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands respectfully requests that the content of the present Note be communicated to the competent national authorities and avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission of... the assurance of its highest consideration.

Gland, 28 April 2014

