

Ecological character and change in character tasks for STRP 2013-2015

STRP17

COP11 Resolutions

- XI.4 (Ramsar Site status), (task 2013-15/20 – Top Priority)
- XI.8 (Ramsar Information Sheet) (task 2013-15/25 – Lower Priority, but urgent)
 - *Now being addressed through Ramsar Sites WG, but those proposals may lead to need for follow-up tasks under this theme and*
- XI.14 (climate change) (task 2013-15/41 - Top Priority).
- XI.17 future sci/tech priorities
- Some “all wetlands”; others Ramsar Sites; others in relation to climate change implications

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- Grouping reveals some likely task duplication using different languages, e.g.
 - “defining limits of acceptable change” (#20)
 - “determining specific limits of change” (#41)
 - “identification of thresholds of change” (#25)
- Suggests tasks might be grouped into three ‘sub-tasks/work packages’
 - 1. Tools for monitoring for change in ecological character***
 - 2. Reporting change in ecological character***
 - 3. Responding to change in ecological character***

WG today

- Suggest today review (and revise) groupings of sub-tasks suggested in STRP17-05
 - Consolidate the same task (but different wording) from different themes/tasks
- Identify top priority tasks/sub-tasks
 - And any sequencing of tasks
- Rebuild task pro-formas
 - COP11 DOC. 21 pro-formas *may* help
 - But probably not much now, with the various COP11-adopted reformulations



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