

THE ROLE OF STRP NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS

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WHO ARE STRP NFPs?



- Wetland scientific and technical experts from government/non-government sector
- Appointed in their 'own right' for their scientific and technical expertise
 - Do not represent any organisation/government
- Appointed by the Administrative Authority
- Some countries appoint 2 or more individuals

WHY?

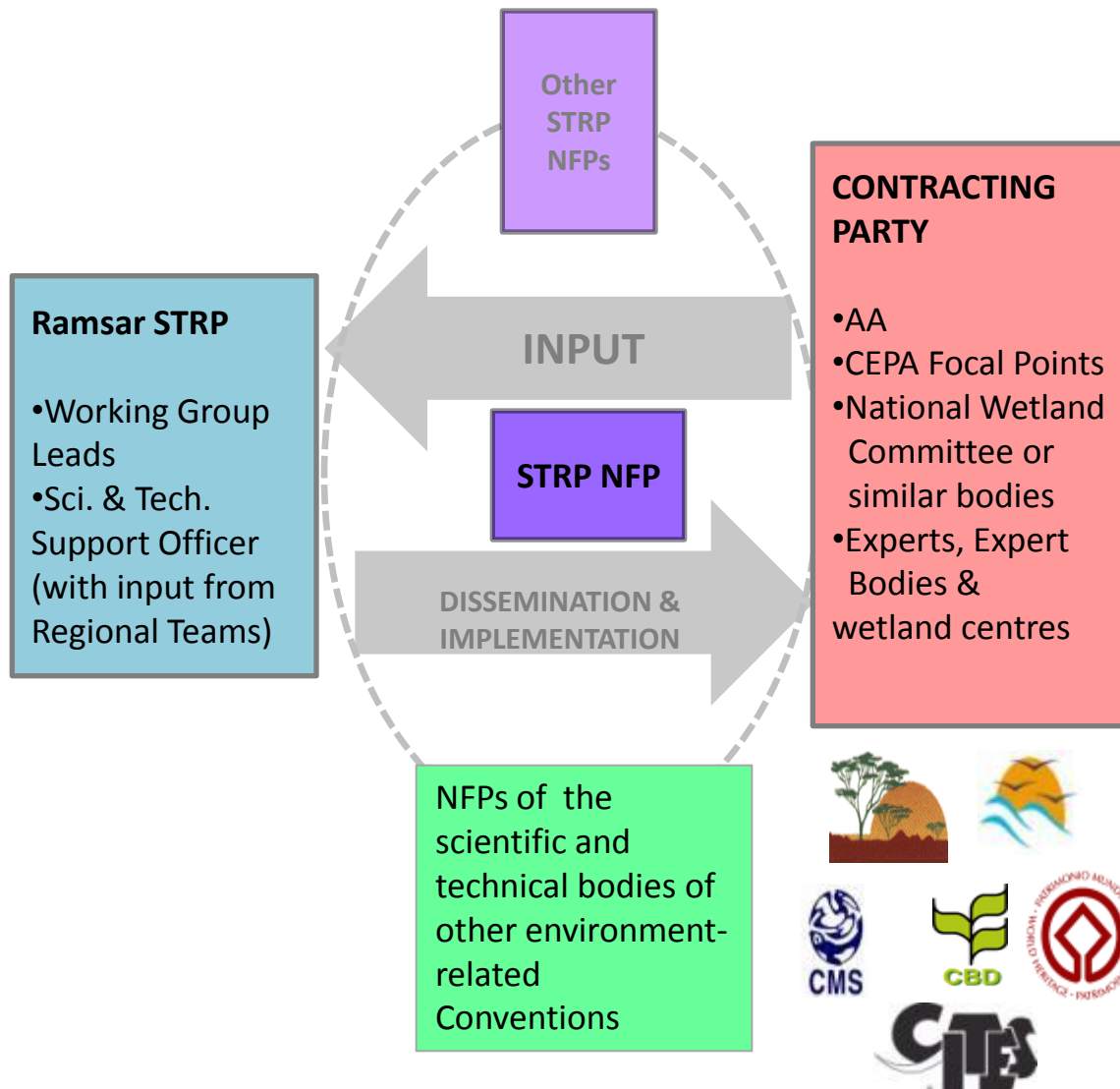


- To help further implementation of the Convention at the national level
 - Help deliver scientific & technical processes
- 146 STRP National Focal Points (as of Oct. 2013)

ROLE OF STRP NFPs

Main functions:

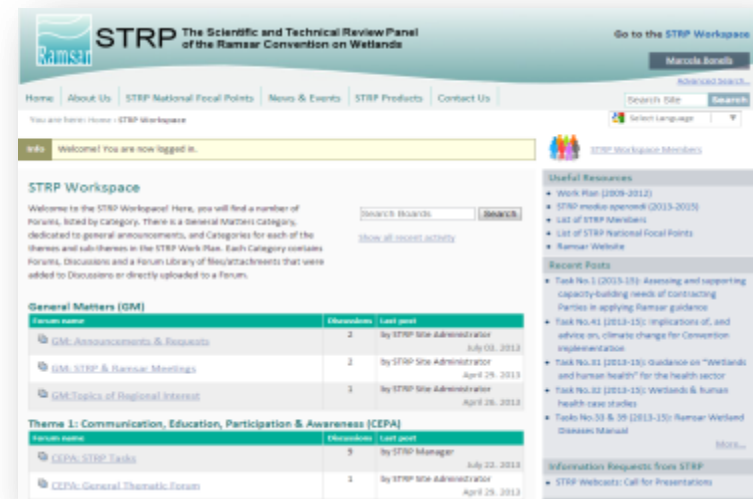
1. To provide **input** and **support** the work of STRP;
2. to **advise** the STRP on national and regional wetland issues;
3. to **act** as liaison between STRP and other expertise in the country;
4. to **assist** the Ramsar Administrative Authority (i.e., guidance and draft resolutions to COP)
5. To **participate** in Ramsar processes in the country (National Wetland Committee, Ramsar Advisory Missions); and
6. to **disseminate** the work of the STRP within their Contracting Party.



COMMUNICATION TOOLS



- STRP Platform



<http://strp.ramsar.org>

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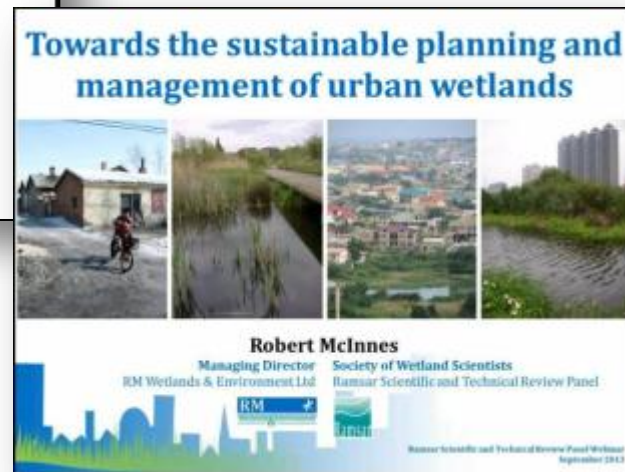
- **STRP Newsletter**

- Issued quarterly
- 13 issues to date (14 underway)
- Target audience: STRP NFPs
- Language:
 - English, but contributions in other Convention languages are welcome
- Contributions
 - STRP members, STRP NFPs, Secretariat staff, International Organisation Partners and others
- Submit your article and subscribe
 - through the Platform!



COMMUNICATION TOOLS

- STRP Webinar Series



KEY DOCUMENTS



- **STRP modus operandi 2013-15:** Annex I sets the Terms of Reference for STRP National Focal Points
- **Res. XI. 18:** adjusted the *modus operandi* of the STRP for 2013-15 and establishes its composition
- **Res. XI. 17:** outlines the priority themes and tasks requested by COP for the STRP's 2013-15 cycle
- **Brochure:** Delivering the Convention in your country (currently being updated)

SECRETARIAT CONTACT PERSON



- Scientific & Technical Support Officer
- Regional Teams
 - Senior Regional Advisers from your region
 - Assistant Advisers

Thank you!



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