



**9<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE**  
*18 – 19 September 2013, Trondheim, Norway*

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**RESULTS OF MOP5 QUESTIONNAIRE**

*Compiled by the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat*

During the final session of the 5<sup>th</sup> Session of the Meeting of the Parties to AEWA held in La Rochelle, France, 14-18 May 2012, the Secretariat distributed a questionnaire in English and French to record the impressions and suggestions of delegates (Annex 1). The questionnaires, that were completed and returned to the Secretariat, thus reflect participants' views of the meeting's conduct and organisation. In total 52 questionnaires were returned to the Secretariat, 39 English and 13 French.

The present document provides an analysis of the feedback received in terms of assessment of the various services provided by the organizers, and compiles the suggestions and comments provided. Suggestions and comments are generally reported unedited, limited editing have been necessary when merging similar comments. The outcome is expected to serve as a basis for improvement of future sessions of the MOP as well as other AEWA meetings and events.

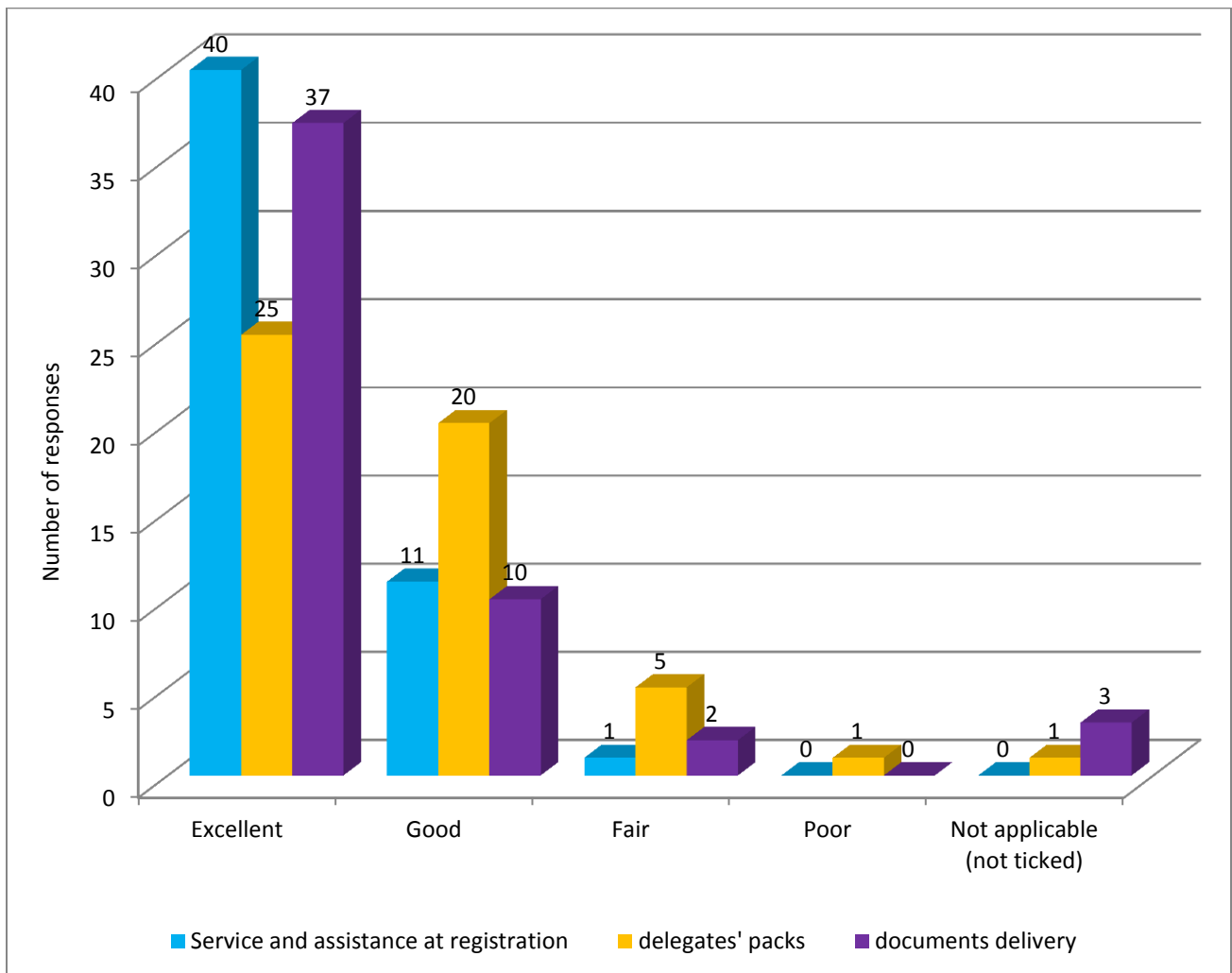
**Action requested from the Standing Committee**

The Standing Committee is invited to

- take note of the analysis; and
- draw lessons as appropriate with a view to the organization of future sessions of the MOP.

## I. REGISTRATION AND DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTION

1. *Your views on the service and assistance provided at registration?*
2. *Your view on delegates' packs provided at registration?*
3. *Your views on the formula for delivering documents to delegates (website/memory-stick/one set of hard copies per delegation)?*

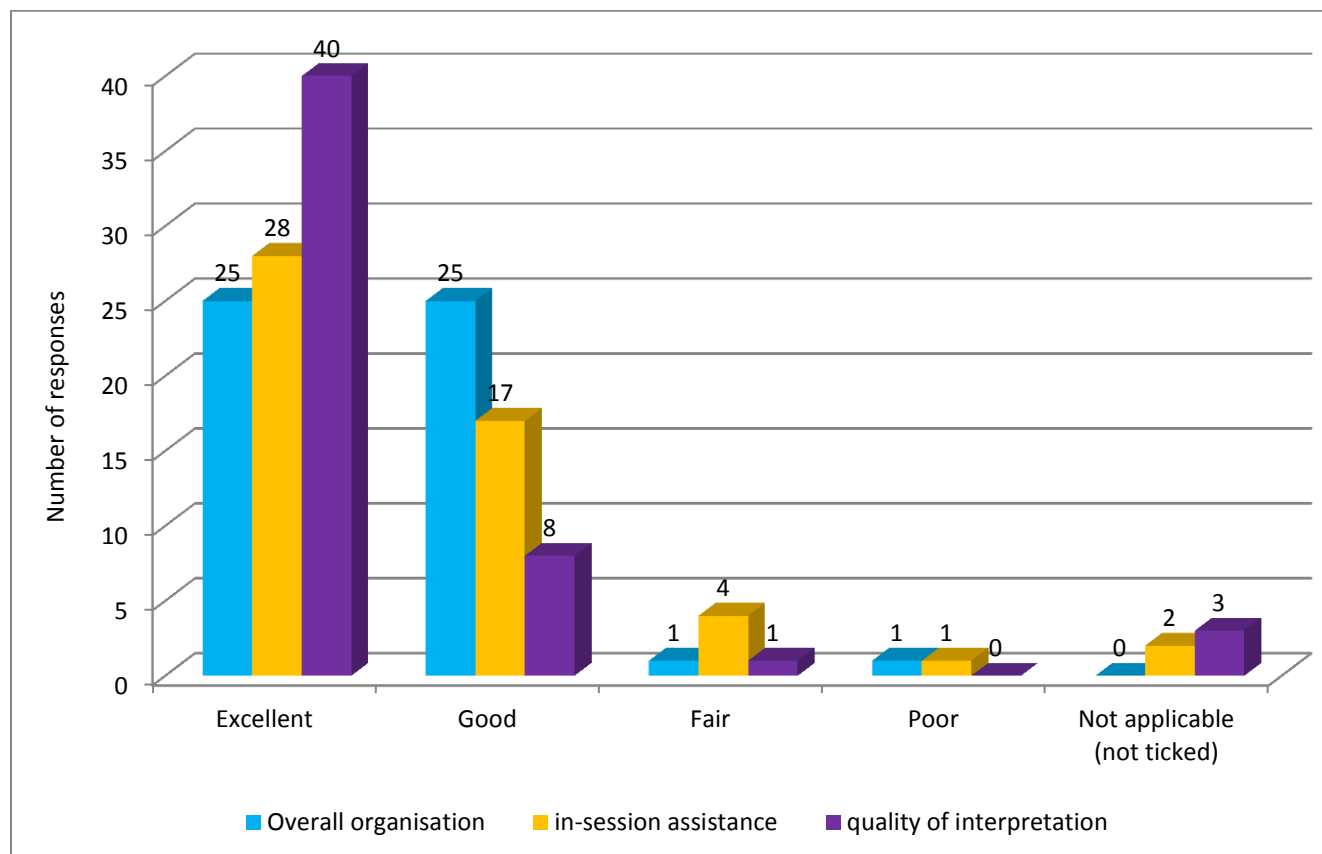


### Delegates' suggestions:

- Final detailed program arrived too late;
- Hard copies not needed, but should remain optional for some delegations;
- To check language of delegates more carefully ("I got French while using English; so could not use memory stick effectively");
- To provide the conservation status report at a much earlier stage;
- Documents should be made available on the website asap.

## II. IN-SESSION

1. *Your views on the overall organization of the session?*
2. *Your views on level of in-session assistance to delegates by the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat?*
3. *Your views on the quality of interpretation?*

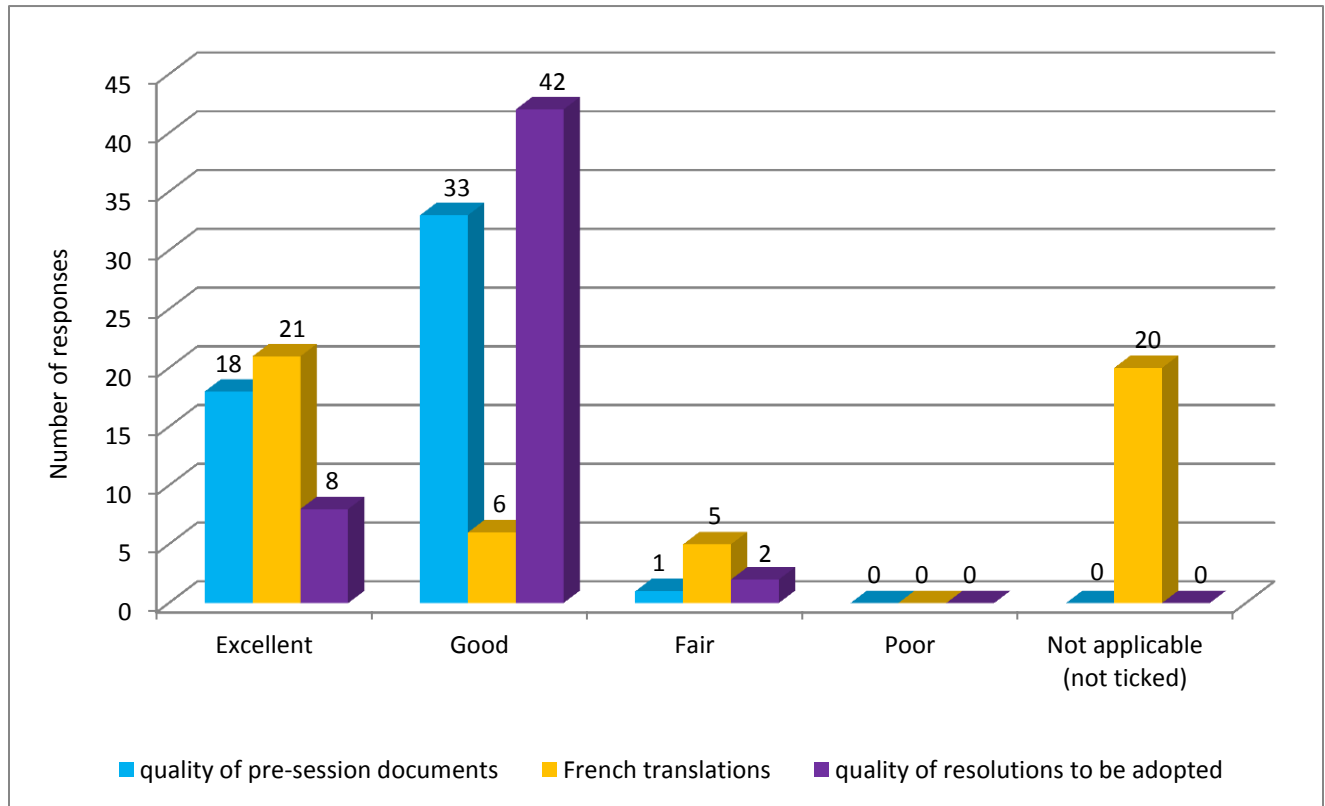


### Delegates' suggestions:

- Programme was too busy for updates to be done in time;
- Projection of resolution numbers and title on screen;
- Earlier evening working groups (fewer receptions!);
- Clearer guidance on processes (submission of amendments etc.);
- More time to be allocated to WG's;
- Certain resolutions need preliminary agreement outside the plenary;
- There should be simultaneous translation for the African coordination meeting;
- Extra half day needed?
- The Minister should have closed the meeting.

### III. QUALITY OF DOCUMENTS

1. *Your views on the overall quality of pre-session documents?*
2. *Your views on the quality of French translations?*
3. *Your views on the overall quality of resolutions to be adopted?*

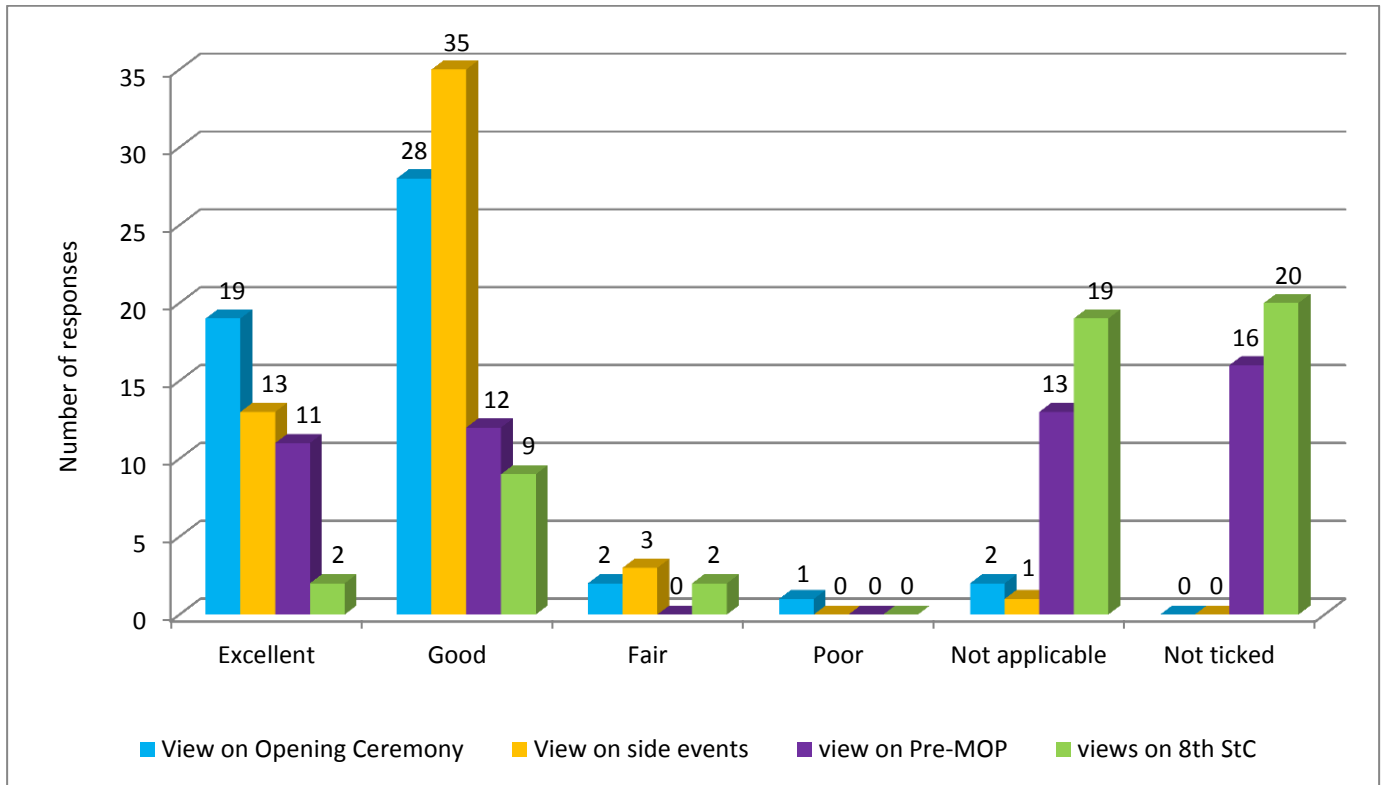


#### Delegates' suggestions:

- Fewer documents;
- Documents should be shorter and more to the point;
- Documents to be placed in file cover to allow easy access and reference during review and sessions;
- No ample time to discuss resolutions to be adopted;
- Better differentiation between the categories of the documents (resolutions/meeting documents).

#### IV. SPECIAL EVENTS / ASSOCIATED MEETINGS

1. *Your views on the MOP5 Opening Ceremony?*
2. *Your views on the side events?*
3. *Your view on the African Pre-MOP?*
4. *Your view on the 8<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee meeting?*

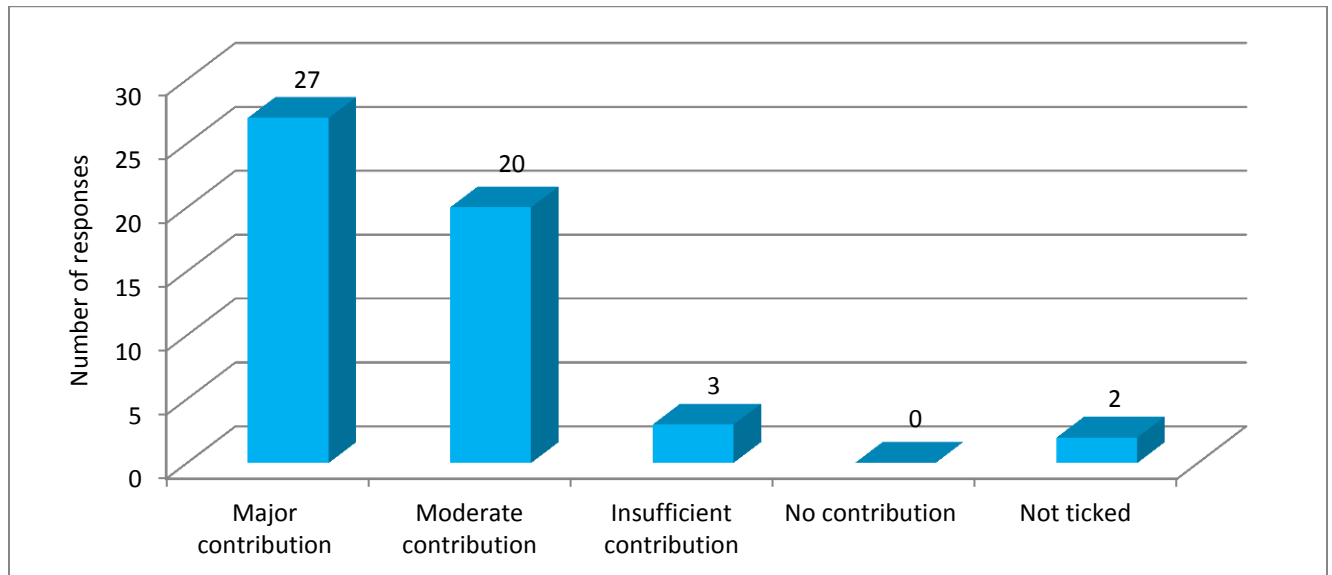


#### Delegates' suggestions:

- More time for side events and avoiding to rush things and allowing positive reponses/contributions from participants to these events;
- No combination of lunch and side events (in one room) (2x);
- The side events were difficult to convene due to lunch and need of shift;

## V. OVERALL ASSESSMENT

***Did you feel that the meeting and associated events made a contribution to the conservation of migratory waterbirds?***



## VI. "I WAS POSITIVELY IMPRESSED BY:"

- Staff of the AEWA Secretariat - great work done! (3x);
- French hospitality (3x);
- Side events ("Response of Birds Disturbance" and "Shooting suspension during prolonged severe winter weather in Northwest Europe");
- The excursion on Thursday;
- Venue ("La Rochelle was the right place for the meeting") (4x);
- Time (May);
- The French host for organizing the meeting in a perfect environment;
- Willingness of the AEWA Secretariat to rationally explain issues and interventions;
- Discipline, orderliness and cleanliness;
- Chair –fantastic! (4x);
- Experts presentations on research findings;
- The AEWA Secretariat's professionalism;
- Excellent quality of chairing through the meeting/WGs (2x);
- By the AEWA support staff working overnight to finish the documents;
- By interpreters that worked long hours;
- Venue and space in main hall;

- Positive and constructive atmosphere;
- Opportunity to meet such a wide range of delegates in one place;
- Excellent food;
- The overall organization (very high level) (2x);
- Commitment of the AEWA Secretariat to make MOP a success (2x);
- Aquarium;
- African Initiative Resolution (2x);
- Sergey from the AEWA Secretariat;
- Remarkable assistance of France, the Netherlands and U.K. delegations;
- Very professional work of Danish delegation;
- Associated events;
- The arrangements made by the Secretariat and the flexibility they were dealing with problematic issues;
- “next MOP5 again in France”;
- Good spirit during the MOP;
- African Initiative getting some money in core budget;
- African participation wishing to speak and coordinate (2x);
- The engagement of France for the African Initiative;
- The overall organization of the meeting by France;
- The support from the European countries for the African Initiative;
- Examination and adoption of the PoA for Africa;
- Pre-Mop.

## **VII. “I WAS NOT SATISFIED WITH:”**

- Apparent discrimination during the security checks at the entrance (2x);
- Chairing of WG1 – lot of issues could be solved quicker, too long introductions;
- Not enough time to discuss issues and review documents;
- Not enough time to discuss technical resolutions;
- Slow dialogues occasionally;
- More break up groups would help during working sessions;
- By the back-door interference of France regarding the African Initiative – it looked like we get more coordination than implementation;
- By the limited interference of the Acting Executive Secretary and his absence during most of the receptions;
- WIFI availability on 1<sup>st</sup> day;
- The election of the Standing Committee;
- The way the next meeting venue was handled;
- It would be nice for further excursion to give more attention to a cultural program as well;
- Lodging;
- Too many receptions;
- Too much time spent on formalities instead of getting to the point (2x);
- The fact that some observers left MOP5 after 2-3 days;
- Earlier arrangement of visas needed;

- The presentation of the documents during the negotiations (projections of the text missing, therefore not so easy to follow the changes directly!);
- Too little talking about concept and ideas related to ground experiences;
- With the hunting regulations for waterbirds in certain regions of France, which allow unlimited hunting without a limitation of individual numbers;
- The adopted budget and the budget for the African Initiative in particular;
- The length of some oral contributions by Parties (oral reports?), they should be available as documents, the meeting could then take one day less
- Daily coordination meetings.





**Agreement on the conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds (AEWA)**

**FIFTH MEETING OF THE PARTIES**

**Assessment Questionnaire**

The UNEP/AEWA Secretariat has prepared this short questionnaire to assess your level of satisfaction with the organization and conduct of this meeting. In addition to ticking the box indicating your opinion, please take few minutes to add your suggestions for improvements, as this would help us identify problems experienced and do better next time.

**Please return this questionnaire to the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat, before leaving the meeting.**

| <b>Registration and document distribution</b>  | <b>Excellent</b>         | <b>Good</b>              | <b>Fair</b>              | <b>Poor</b>              |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Your views on the service and assistance provided at registration?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Your view on the delegates' packs provided at registration?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Your views on the formula for delivering documents to delegates (website-memory-stick-one set of hard copies per delegation)? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Your suggestions:

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| <b>In-session</b>  | <b>Excellent</b>         | <b>Good</b>              | <b>Fair</b>              | <b>Poor</b>              |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Your views on the overall organization of the session?                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Your views on level of in-session assistance to delegates by the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Your views on the quality of interpretation?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Your suggestions:

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| Quality of documents   | Excellent                | Good                     | Fair                     | Poor                     |
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| 1. Your views on the overall quality of pre-session documents?     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Your views on the quality of French translations?               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Your views on the overall quality of resolutions to be adopted? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Your suggestions:

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| Associated meetings/ Special events                              | Excellent                | Good                     | Fair                     | Poor                     |
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| 1. Your view on the African Pre-MOP?                             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Your views on the MOP5 Opening Ceremony?                      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Your views on the side events?                                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Your views on the 8 <sup>th</sup> Standing Committee meeting? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Your suggestions:

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| Overall assessment  | Major contribution       | Moderate contribution    | Insufficient contribution | No contribution          |
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| 1. Did you feel that the meeting and associated events made a contribution to the conservation of migratory waterbirds? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**I was positively impressed by:**

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**I was not satisfied with:**

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me and country (optional):

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