

AGREEMENT ON THE CONSERVATION OF AFRICAN-EURASIAN MIGRATORY WATERBIRDS

# 12<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

3-6 March 2015, Bonn, Germany

# PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

# 1. Opening

The Chair of the Technical Committee will open the meeting.

# 2. Welcome addresses

The Secretariat and other attendees will be invited to make additional welcoming remarks.

# 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Work Programme

The Provisional Agenda (<u>Doc TC 12.2 Rev.1</u>) and Work Programme (<u>Doc TC 12.3</u>) will be proposed for adoption.

# 4. Admission of Observers

The Chair will orally inform the members about the international inter-governmental and nongovernmental organisations that have been invited to participate at this Technical Committee meeting.

# 5. Report by the Chair

The Chair will orally report on the Technical Committee's activities since the last meeting and introduce the draft report for the  $6^{th}$  Session of the Meeting of the Parties to AEWA (MOP6) (<u>Doc TC 12.4</u>).

#### 6. Reports by the Regional Representatives

The TC Regional Representatives will orally report on the implementation of AEWA in their respective regions.

#### 7. Report by the Secretariat

*The Secretariat will introduce the Report of the Secretariat* (<u>Doc TC 12.5</u>) *and the report on the Implementation of the African Initiative and the Plan of Action for Africa* (<u>Doc TC 12.6</u>).

# 8. Conservation Status Report (6<sup>th</sup> edition) and Draft Amendments to the Agreement and its Annexes

a) The TC will be requested to review and approve the  $6^{th}$  edition of the Conservation Status Report (<u>Doc TC 12.7</u>) for submission to MOP6. A short report will be presented on the progress of the Waterbird Monitoring development along the African-Eurasian flyways (<u>Doc TC 12.11</u>).

b) Further, the Secretariat will provide an oral update on the outcome of the CMS Scientific Council process on reviewing bird taxonomy and nomenclature as well as the decision of the CMS COP11 in this respect (<u>Doc TC Inf. 12.10</u>).

*c) The TC will then be requested to endorse the recommended amendments to Table 1 of the AEWA Action Plan* (*Doc TC 12.13*) *to be submitted to MOP6.* 

*d)* The TC will be requested to review and finalise the draft resolutions on strengthening monitoring of migratory waterbirds (<u>Doc TC 12.12</u>), and

*e)* on adoption of amendments to the AEWA annexes (<u>Doc TC 12.15</u>), for submission to the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee and MOP6.

# 9. AEWA International Species Action Plans and Management Plans

The TC will be requested to review the draft  $2^{nd}$  edition of the AEWA Review of the stage of preparation and implementation of International Species Action Plans (<u>Doc TC 12.25</u>) as well as the Criteria for Prioritising AEWA Populations for Action and Management Planning and Retirement of ISSAPs, as well as Guidance on the Definition of Principal Range States in Action Plans (<u>Doc TC 12.32</u>). The TC will be requested to review and endorse the following draft plans for submission to and approval by the 6<sup>th</sup> Session of the Meeting of the Parties:

- a. Grey Crowned Crane ISSAP (Doc TC 12.26 Rev.1)
- b. Taiga Bean Goose ISSAP (<u>Doc TC 12.27</u>)
- c. Long-tailed Duck ISSAP (Doc TC 12.28)
- d. Eurasian Curlew ISSAP (<u>Doc TC 12.29</u>)
- e. Lesser White-fronted Goose ISSAP (revision of the 2008 plan) (Doc TC 12.30)
- f. Northern Bald Ibis ISSAP (revision of the 2005 plan) (Doc TC 12.31)

The Secretariat will orally update the TC on the status of preparation of the Multi-species Action Plan for the Benguela upwelling system coastal seabirds.

The TC will be requested to review and finalise the draft resolution on species action and management plans (<u>Doc TC 12.33</u>) for submission to the  $10^{th}$  Meeting of the Standing Committee and subsequently to the  $6^{th}$  Session of the Meeting of the Parties.

# 10. Seabirds

The Chair will report on liaison with the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses & Petrels and related initiatives. The TC will then be requested to review and approve the following papers for submission to MOP6:

- a. Review of Potential Impacts of Marine Fisheries on Migratory Seabirds in the Afrotropical region (Doc TC 12.34)
- b. Review of the Status, Threats and Conservation Action Priorities for the Seabird Populations Covered by the Agreement (<u>Doc TC 12.35</u>)
- c. Workshop report: by-catch mitigation measures in gillnet fisheries (Doc TC 12.36)
- d. Information paper on the relationship with ACAP on issues of common concern (Doc TC 12.37)

The TC will be requested to review and finalise the draft resolutions on seabird conservation under AEWA (<u>Doc TC 12.38</u>) for submission first to the  $10^{th}$  Meeting of the Standing Committee and then to the  $6^{th}$  Session of the Meeting of the Parties.

# 11. Renewable Energy

The TC will be requested to review and approve the following papers for submission to MOP6:

- *a. Review of the occurrence and magnitude of the conflict between migratory animals and renewable technologies deployment* (*Doc TC 12.43*)
- b. Renewable Energy Technologies and Migratory Species: Guidelines for Sustainable Deployment (Doc TC 12.44)

The TC will be requested to review and finalise the draft resolution on renewable energy and migratory waterbirds (<u>Doc TC 12.45</u>) for submission first to the  $10^{th}$  Meeting of the Standing Committee and then to the  $6^{th}$  Session of the Meeting of the Parties.

# 12. TC Working Groups 7 (Climate change) and 10 (Emerging issues)

The TC will consider various outcomes of the work of WG7 and WG10:

- a. Climate Change with Regard to Site Management (Doc TC 12.42)
- b. How to Address Regional Multi-Species Declines (Doc TC 12.41)
- c. Developing International Guidance on Cumulative Impact Assessment A Suggested Way Forward (Doc TC 12.50) and Guide to Guidance on Extractive Industries (Doc TC 12.56)

d. Bird Poisoning (oral report by the Secretariat on CMS COP11 outcomes) (Doc TC Inf. 12.8)

The TC will be requested to briefly review the TC's standing list of emerging issues (Doc TC.12.55), particularly in the light of whether any of these should be included either in the list of International Implementation Tasks (Agenda item 17) and/or as items in the TC's Work Plan for 2016-2018 (Agenda item 18).

# 13. Concurrent Workshops of TC Working Groups 1 (Lead, hunting & trade) and 5 (CEPA & Communication Strategy)

The TC will break into concurrent workshops of TC Working Groups 1 and 5. Papers relevant for WG1: <u>Doc TC 12.16</u>, <u>Doc TC 12.17</u>, <u>Doc TC 12.18</u>, <u>Doc TC 12.19</u>, <u>Doc TC 12.20</u>. In addition, an oral update will be presented on the development of the revised AEWA Sustainable Harvest Guidelines.

Papers relevant for WG7: Doc TC 12.39, Doc TC 12.40.

# 14. TC Working Groups 6 (Conservation guidelines) and 9 (Disturbance)

*The TC will discuss in plenary the items relevant for TC Working Groups 4 and 6. Papers relevant for WG6: <u>Doc TC 12.21(combined with Doc 12.22)</u>, <u>Doc TC 12.23</u>. <i>Papers relevant for WG9: <u>Doc TC 12.46, Doc TC 12.47.*</u>

# 15. Recapitulation of Workshops of TC Working Groups 1 and 5

The TC Working Groups 1 and 5 will report on the outcomes of their respective workshops in plenary. Their outputs will be reviewed and approved for further submission to the  $10^{th}$  Meeting of the Standing Committee and the  $6^{th}$  Session of the Meeting of the Parties.

# 16. Other Draft Resolutions for MOP6

The TC will be requested to review the following draft resolutions for submission first to the  $10^{th}$  Meeting of the Standing Committee and then to the  $6^{th}$  Session of the Meeting of the Parties:

- a. Draft Resolution on Avoiding Unnecessary Additional Mortality for Migratory Waterbirds (<u>Doc TC</u> <u>12.49</u>)
- b. Draft Resolution on the extension and revision of the Strategic Plan and the Plan of Action for Africa (Doc TC 12.53)
- c. Draft Resolution: Update on the AEWA's contribution to the Aichi Targets (Doc TC 12.54)

# 17. International Implementation Tasks (IIT)

The Secretariat will report on the implementation of the IITs 2009-2016. The TC will be requested to review the list of International Implementation Tasks, amend them as necessary and approve a proposed list for 2016-2018 accompanied by a draft resolution for submission to the  $10^{th}$  Meeting of the Standing Committee and the  $6^{th}$  Session of the Meeting of the Parties (Doc TC 12.51).

#### 18. TC Work Plan 2016-2018

The TC will be requested to review the draft TC Work Plan for 2016-2018 and approve it for inclusion in the Draft Resolution on Institutional Arrangements: Technical Committee for submission first to the  $10^{th}$  Meeting of the Standing Committee and then to the  $6^{th}$  Session of the Meeting of the Parties (<u>Doc TC 12.52</u>).

#### 19. Date and Venue of the next Technical Committee Meeting

#### 20. Any Other Business (please advise in advance)

#### 21. Closure