



REGIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP FOR CMS NON-PARTIES OF SOUTH AND SOUTH-EAST ASIA

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What is CMS?



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Migratory Species

- Natural heritage shared among countries
- Part of our genetic resources
- Part of a complex relationship between native plants and animals that are still unknown (research)
- Beneficial to humanity and environmental health
- Indicators of environmental changes (e.g. climate change)
- Fragile because of their long-distance migrations
- Require concerted actions among countries for their conservation



Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals





Cooperation Platform

- Global Convention
- Part of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- Governed by the governments (Parties) and administered by the Secretariat
- HQ in Bonn, Germany since 1979
- To date, 122 countries are Party to CMS
- The two main tools are: Appendices and agreements
- Links with International Agreements and NGOs
- Development and Conservation

What is a Migratory Species under CMS? CMS definition

Significant proportion of a population of any species or lower taxon that "cyclically and predictably" cross one or more national jurisdictional boundaries

- Excludes migration within the territory or a state
- Includes species that cross boundaries e.g. Gorillas.
- The Convention and its
 Instruments act as a
 framework to identify and
 promote cooperative
 conservation among
 species' Range States.

Rationale for Protecting Migratory Species

Migratory species contribute to ecosystem services through:

Structure and function

... they play an important role in shaping environments

- Regulating services
 e.g. pollination, pest control ...
- Inter-related with resident flora and fauna
- ...ACROSS ECOSYSTEMS AND INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARIES

Why do we need CMS?

- Migratory Species are:
 - ✓ Common biological resources (shared by all Range States)
 - ✓ Vulnerable (subject to different threats in different states)
- Animal migrants can only survive when their entire territories are included in conservation measures and each threat is tackled jointly
- CMS coordinates the conservation of migratory species through creating a framework for cooperation across the migratory range
- CBD decision VI/20 recognizes CMS as the lead partner in conserving and sustainably using migratory species over their entire range

Appendix I - Endangered Migratory Species

Parties:

- Conserve and restore important habitats
- Address adverse effects of obstacles to migration
- Address other factors endangering the species including controlling alien species and climate change
- Prohibit taking except for science, breeding & traditional subsistence users or extraordinary circumstances
- Follow COP recommendations on further measures

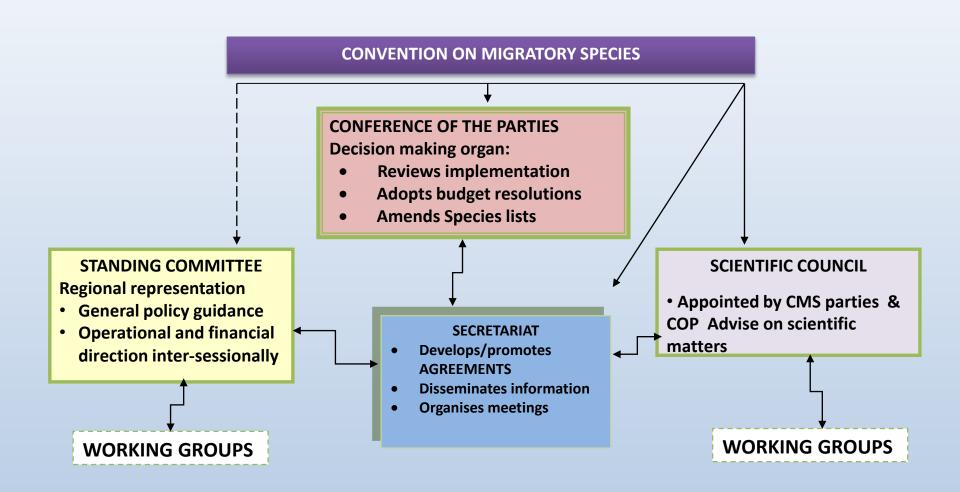
Appendix II - Migratory Species as Subject of AGREEMENTS

Migratory species which have an unfavourable conservation status and which require international agreements for their conservation and management

Parties

that are Range States of migratory species listed in Appendix II shall endeavour to conclude **AGREEMENTS** where these should benefit the species and should give priority to those species in an unfavourable conservation status

Bodies of the CMS and its Instruments



Main Characteristics of the CMS Strategic Plan

 Overarching framework for all efforts to conserve migratory species;

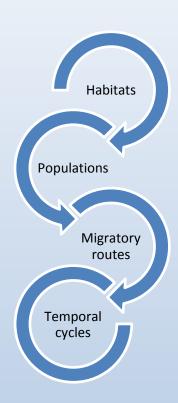
 Identify and demonstrate the relevance of Aichi Targets for migratory species, and vice versa;

 Provide overall targets for migratory species while allowing further tailoring to specific CMS instruments through sub-targets.

A Migratory Systems Approach

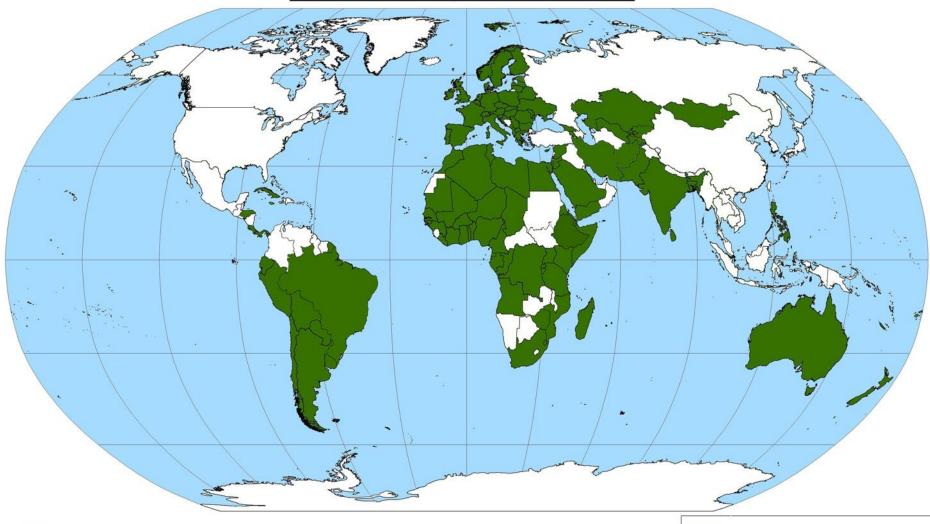
The SPMS is based on the concept of interconnection between and among migratory species

This factor requires international cooperation efforts that link species conservation and eco-system based approaches



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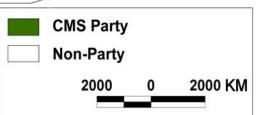
Map of 122 Parties (as of 1 October 2015)





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The final boundary between the Republic of Sudan and the Republic of South Sudan has not yet been determined.



Asia: **16** countries: CMS Parties 10 countries: Non-Party 14 countries: signed Agreements and/or **MØUs**

CMS Parties

Australasia

Indo-Malayan & Australasia Biogeographic Region As of 1 October 2015



CMS Party



Non-Party

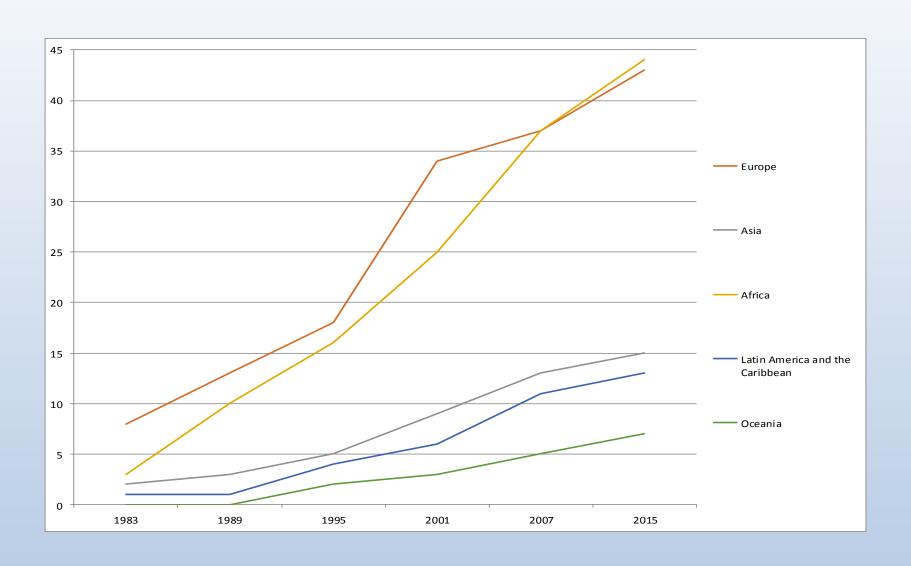




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Growth of CMS Membership



Agreements and MOUs

Legally Binding



Wadden Sea Seals



ACAP



EUROBATS



ACCOBAMS



ASCOBANS



Gorilla



AEWA

Non-Legally Binding



Aquatic Warbler



Bukhara Deer



Dugong





Great **Bustard**



Pacific Cetaceans



Raptors



Ruddy Headed Goose



Saiga Antelope



Sharks



Siberian Crane



Slenderbilled Curlew



West African Aquatic Mammals



High Andean Flamingo



Marine **Turtles Africa**



IOSEA



Mediterranean Monk Seal



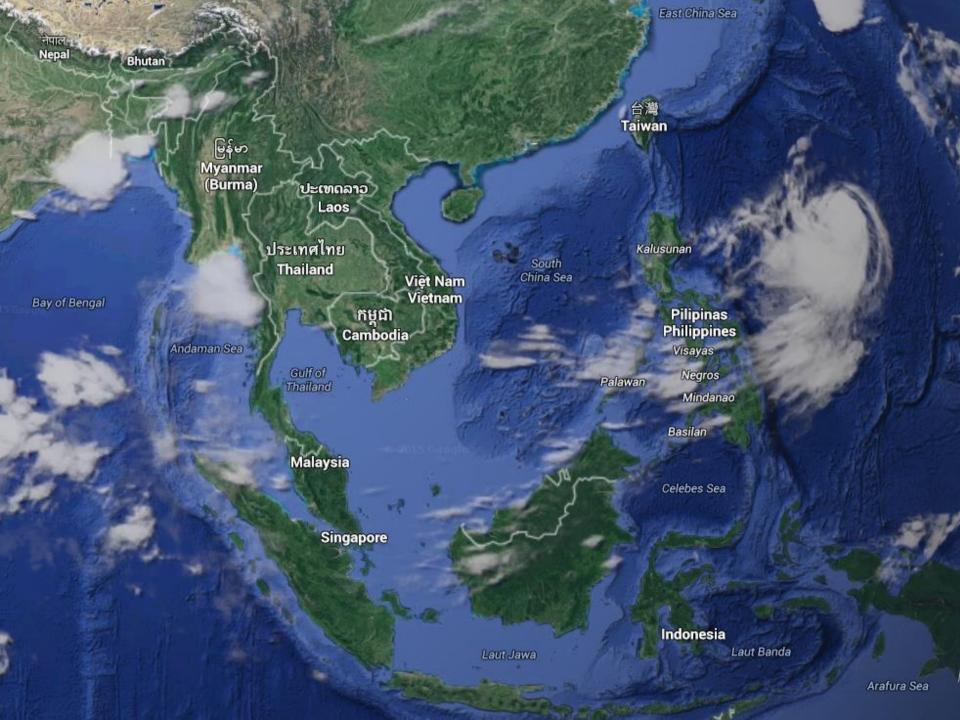
West African Elephants



Grassland Birds of South America



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