

**FOURTH MEETING OF SIGNATORY STATES TO THE MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING ON THE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF DUGONGS
(*DUGONG DUGON*) AND THEIR HABITATS THROUGHOUT THEIR RANGE**

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ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS

(Prepared by Secretariat of the Dugong MOU)

Summary: This document presents the list of Observers that registered for the Meeting by 25 March 2024. The Meeting is invited to examine the list presented with a view to admitting participation by those parties.

1. Paragraph 6 of the Text of the Dugong MOU states that persons or organisations technically qualified in dugong conservation and management may attend sessions of Signatory States' regular meetings.
2. Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure for Meetings of Signatory States to the Dugong MOU adopted at the Third Meeting of Signatory States (MOS3, Abu Dhabi, March 2017; see Annex 1 to document [CMS/Dugong/MOS3/Report*](#)) sets the rules for the admission of Observers to Meetings of Signatory States. Rule 4 states that agencies or bodies technically qualified in the conservation and management of dugongs and their habitats, and which have informed the Secretariat of their desire to be represented at the Meeting by Observers, shall be permitted to be represented unless at least one-third of the Signatory States present object.
3. Annex 1 to this document lists the Observers that registered for the Meeting by 25 March 2024.

Action requested

4. In line with Rule 4 of the mentioned Rules of Procedure, Signatory States are invited to admit to the Meeting the Observers listed in Annex 1 below.

Annex 1
List of Observers Registered by 25 March 2024

Non-Signatory States

1. Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (Qatar)

Agencies/bodies

1. Action Jeunesse pour le Développement
2. African Parks
3. Association des Naturalistes de Mayotte
4. China Biodiversity Conservation and Green Development Foundation
5. Community Centred Conservation (C3) Philippines
6. Fundação Likhulu
7. Hainan University
8. Institut d'Enseignement Superieur Danosy
9. International Animal Rescue Indonesia (YIARI)
10. King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) Beacon Development
11. King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST)
12. MareCet Research Organization
13. Marine Megafauna Foundation (MMF)
14. National Research and Innovation Agency, Indonesia
15. OIKOS Genomics
16. OMCAR Foundation
17. Project Seagrass
18. RC Jazan
19. Red Sea Global
20. Save Andaman Network
21. SHAMS
22. University of Tehran
23. Vanuatu Environmental Science Society
24. YAPEKA
25. WeBe Foundation
26. Worldwide Zoo Consultants
27. Zoological Society of London