

## Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals



## **RESOLUTION 7.10\***

## IMPLICATIONS FOR CMS OF THE WORLD SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its Seventh Meeting (Bonn, 18-24 September 2002)

*Noting* that Governments agreed at the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD) to achieve by 2010 a significant reduction in the current rate of loss of biological diversity;

Acknowledging that to achieve this target States will need to place special emphasis on the conservation of migratory species and their habitats, both individually at national levels, and through coordinated concerted and co-operative actions across migratory ranges;

Aware that one of the outcomes of the WSSD was a renewed awareness of and commitment towards fostering partnerships to achieve the goals of Agenda 21 and, now, the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation;

*Recognising* that the CMS family of Agreements is an example of how to catalyse partnerships, in this case among States that share migratory species as a common natural heritage and collaborating organizations;

Aware also that another important outcome of the WSSD was a renewed consensus that significantly reducing the loss of biodiversity is a priority to achieve sustainable livelihoods for all and that the conservation and, where appropriate, sustainable use of migratory species and their habitats can contribute effectively to this while helping to support poverty eradication efforts;

Further aware that Governments agreed at the WSSD to achieve sustainable fisheries, especially the restoration of depleted stocks, by 2015 and that judging a fishery's sustainability must be based not only on the direct impacts on the target fishery itself, but also on the direct and indirect impacts the fishery has on other animals, including those with migratory behaviour, and their habitats; and

Supporting the call at the WSSD for States that have not already done so to ratify biodiversity-related agreements, such as the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals;

The Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals

- 1. Takes note of the Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development;
- 2. *Urges* Parties and non-Parties, as far as consistent with the text of the Convention, to integrate

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the conservation and sustainable use of migratory species and their habitats into their policies, plans and programmes in order to implement the Plan of Implementation;

- 3. *Invites* Parties and non-Parties to increase their efforts to link their national activities to internationally agreed concerted and coordinated programmes, as well as actions initiated by CMS, to conserve and, where appropriate, sustainably use migratory species; and
- 4. *Urges* those States that have not already done so to sign, ratify or accede to the Convention on Migratory Species and, where appropriate, the Agreements concluded under its aegis.

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