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Message from the Chair, BirdLife Council for the Africa Partnership (CAP)



Dear Africa Team

Today, I went out to plant trees with a group of school children. The eager and happy faces of this new generation of conservationists gave me hope

but I could not shake off a deep-seated concern that has been with me since we left Buenos Aires. It is the rather worrisome state of financial institutions globally. I am deeply concerned that nations affected by this crisis may decide to renege on their financial obligations to environmental conservation programmes, funds, studies and initiatives, which are necessary for continued conservation and environmentally sustainable development.

Sums committed recently by governments to rescue the world's financial system range between \$2-4 trillion.

Several reports exist which conclude that most of the world's forests, mountains, rivers and seas could be protected for less than this amount. A study, by Shell economists working with the World Conservation Union, for example estimated that it would cost \$1.3 trillion, spread over 30 years, to protect the world's most important ecosystems. For this sum, nearly 15% of land and 30% of the oceans would be protected from illegal logging, over fishing, pollution and would go most of the way to protecting the most endangered animals.



As it is, common birds are in decline across the world. Almost one in four species of mammals is in danger of extinction. If current trends continue until 2050, fisheries will be exhausted.

In 1992, at the Earth summit in Rio de Janeiro, we (our Governments representing us) all signed a treaty called the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). In 2002, under its auspices, we vowed to bring about "a significant reduction" in the rate of loss of biodiversity by 2010. The pledge became one of the Millennium Development Goals, the United Nations' eight fondest ambitions for the world. Now most participants at the World Conservation Congress, which concluded in Barcelona on October 14th, believe that this target is unattainable.

I agree with their assessment. But all is not lost. That the global economy could, almost overnight, find 2-4trillions to safeguard the global banking community from going down, presents hope. That same economy should be able to find a fraction of that amount to

safeguard natural ecosystems from further degradation. We must, therefore, engage widely, principally to put the facts in the minds of the public, the media but above all the decision-makers in a way that they relate to and understand. We are already

on the right path with the articulation of our Economic assessments and valuation programme. We must commit to work even harder to make ourselves heard and understood.

*Professor Emmanuel Obot
Executive Director, Nigeria Conservation Foundation and Chair, BirdLife Council for the Africa Partnership 2008-2010*

CONTRIBUTION OF ARTICLES

We welcome contributions to the e-bulletin from the BirdLife Africa network about bird species, sites, habitats and people. We would also be happy to know about conservation-related events at global, regional, national levels being organized within the network. Please send your contributions or comments to: antoinette.otieno@birdlife.or.ke.

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REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP NEWS

BIRDLIFE WORLD CONFERENCE 2008

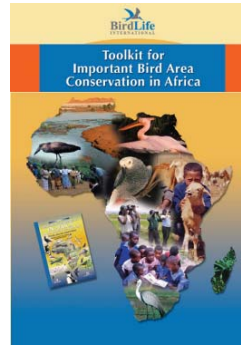
The Fourth BirdLife world conference was held at the Sheraton Hotel in the beautiful port city of Buenos Aires, Argentina from 22-27 Sept. 2008. The congress was attended by over 500 delegates from the Partnership and collaborators representing 104 countries.

The BirdLife Africa Partnership was represented by over 40 delegates, who made over 50 presentations and chaired several plenary and workshop sessions. The main highlights of the conference are outlined below:

The BirdLife Partnership in Africa received wide acclaim, through awards for conservation achievement and Partnership performance. Lota Melamari, CEO of the Wildlife Conservation Society of Tanzania was recognized for the "Think Pink" campaign to save Lesser Flamingos at Lake Natron; Achilles Byahuranga of NatureUganda for the "Save Mabira Forest" campaign and NatureKenya led by Paul Matiku for outstanding achievement of the BirdLife Strategy by a BirdLife Partner (see also http://www.birdlife.org/news/news/2008/09/birdlife_awards.html).

The BirdLife Council for the Africa Partnership (CAP) meeting was successfully held, with the highlights being approval of the BirdLife Africa Programme for 2009 – 2012, and decisions giving a go-ahead to a process for upgrading Nature Seychelles from Partner Designate to Full Partner, CBCS from Affiliate to Partner Designate and an application by the Namibia Nature Federation to become the BirdLife Affiliate in Namibia. Good luck to our friends.

Furthermore, Prof Emmanuel Obot of the Nigeria Conservation Foundation and Mourad Amari of the Association Les Amis des Oiseaux (Tunisia) were respectively elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman of CAP for the period 2008 to 2010. Congratulations to the incumbent office bearers and many thanks to the outgoing Chair and Vice-Chair Dr. Chip Chirara of BirdLife Zimbabwe and Idrissa Zeba of Naturama respectively.



An Africa IBA toolkit documenting the Africa Partnership's approach to IBA conservation was launched by Mrs. Mette Skov of the Aage V. Jensen Charitable Foundation at a side event chaired by Dr. Chip Chirara of BirdLife Zimbabwe with Dr. Leon Bennun of BirdLife Global

Secretariat as Guest of Honour. This valuable publication will soon be distributed to Partners. Loads of thanks to the lead authors: Julius Arinaitwe (Africa Secretariat) and Temidayo Osinubi (NCF).

BirdLife International hosted a luncheon for Mrs Mette Skov. The Foundation has provided several million dollars worth of funding to the BirdLife Partnership over the past few years and continues to fund our work. The event featured outstanding work by BirdLife globally including projects by Asity Madagascar, Nature Seychelles, NatureKenya, BirdLife Zimbabwe and the Africa Secretariat.

An international flyway conservation campaign for the Africa - Middle East - Europe flyway was launched with the active participation of Idrissa Zeba of Naturama, Burkina Faso and Paul Kariuki Ndong'ang'a of the Africa Secretariat. This will be an important priority of the BirdLife Africa programme in the coming years.



Her Imperial Highness Princess Takamado Honorary President of BirdLife at one of the BirdLife Partner stand

A mid conference BirdFair presented a stunning array of exhibits by Africa Partners. Their stands were visited by the Honorary President of BirdLife, Her Imperial Highness Princess Takamado.

Erasmus Owusu of Ghana Wildlife Society and Paul Matiku of NatureKenya were elected to the BirdLife Global Council, as Africa region representatives. Prof Yaa

Ntiamao-Baidu of Ghana was elected as a Honorary Vice-President of BirdLife. Congratulations to our global representatives and best wishes for their tenure as ambassadors of the BirdLife Africa Partnership.

BirdLife has a new Affiliate in Madagascar

The BirdLife Africa Partnership has a new member! The application by Asity Madagascar to join the BirdLife network was approved in May 2008 by the BirdLife Global Council, bringing the total number of formal BirdLife members in Africa to 22. Following this decision, the BirdLife International Madagascar Programme, which had hitherto coordinated BirdLife programmes in Madagascar ceased to



operate and all programmes, assets and all but one of the technical staff were transferred to Asity Madagascar. The Asity Madagascar board is chaired by Dr. Aristide Andrianarimisa and the secretariat is headed

by Mrs. Voninavoko (Vony) Raminoarisoa. Contact Vony at vonyr@birdlife-mada.org for more details.

BirdLife at the 12th Pan-African Ornithological Congress

The 12th Pan-African Ornithological Congress (PAOC) was held from 7-12 September 2008 at the Goudini Spa Resort, in the Western Cape province, South Africa, hosted by the A.P. Leventis Ornithological Research Institute (APLORI) of the University of Jos, Nigeria, together with the Percy FitzPatrick Institute of African Ornithology (the Fitz) and the Animal Demography Unit (ADU) of the University of Cape Town, South Africa.

The congress was presided over by Dr Christine Dranzoa, of Makerere University, Uganda and Chaired by Mr Oliver Nasirwa of Wetlands International, Kenya. Mr Tasso Leventis, honorary Vice President of BirdLife International and founder of APLORI addressed the opening ceremony presided over by opening ceremony was presided over by Dr. Tanya Abrahamse, the Chief Executive of the South African National Biodiversity Institute.

The congress was attended by over 200 delegates from 40 countries, including 21 in Africa. It had a rich programme of work with over 10 plenary sessions, 150 oral presentations and about 50 posters presented in 35 symposia. Ten round-table discussions addressing various current and emerging ornithological issues were convened.

There was strong BirdLife participation at the congress with 20 delegates from 15 network organizations, who made various oral and poster presentations and chaired several round table discussions and symposia.



Several BirdLife Partners from outside Africa and staff from the regional and global secretariat were also present. As always, informal meetings of the delegates from BirdLife network were convened by the BirdLife Africa Secretariat staff to facilitate bonding as part of the BirdLife family.

A new PAOC committee was elected, chaired by Prof. Adrian Craig of Rhodes University, South Africa with Dr. Shiiwua Manu of APLORI, Nigeria with as the PAOCXI President. The next PAOC is slated for 2012 and will be hosted by Nigeria Conservation Foundation (BirdLife in Nigeria) and APLORI. Congress proceedings will be made available on line at <http://paoc12.adu.org.za>

BirdLife is grateful to the various sponsors, who enabled participation by the BirdLife Partners and staff, particularly the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund, which supported nine participants from the continent.

Key conservation caucus urges protection of Lake Natron

Conservationists from all over Africa and other parts of the world have strongly urged the Government of Tanzania to ensure the protection of Lake Natron. The site is the world's most important breeding site for Lesser Flamingos *Phoeniconaias minor*.

At the recently concluded 12th PAOC held near Cape Town, South Africa, the experts expressed concern that



L. Natron is an important breeding site for the Lesser flamingos

the proposed soda ash mining at Lake Natron raises serious questions about the future of the lake and its flamingos.

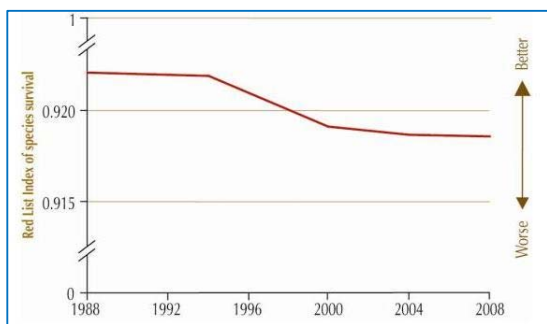
In a resolution unanimously passed on the closing day, the congress noted that the lake is uniquely important for Lesser Flamingo breeding due to the hydrological chemistry, a suitable substrate for nest construction, and isolation from disturbance by humans and predators.

“The Lesser Flamingo population in Eastern Africa, of some 1.5-2.5 million birds, accounting for 75% of the global population, is therefore dependent on this lake for its survival” — Professor Adrian Craig, PAOC Committee Chairman.

Find out more about this from the ‘Think Pink – save Africa’s flamingos’ campaign on www.birdlife.org

BirdLife’s pioneering approach adopted by Millennium Development Goals

For the first time, the United Nations Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) have adopted measures tracking the state of biodiversity, including monitoring the extinction risk of species using the IUCN Red List. Previously, the seventh Millennium Development Goal ‘to ensure environmental sustainability’ did not include any mention of biodiversity or the need to save species as a critical contribution to human development and peoples livelihoods.



BirdLife has partnered with the World Conservation Union (IUCN), Conservation International, NatureServe and the Zoological Society of London to develop an indicator based on the IUCN Red List. “The IUCN Red List Index is a simple yet powerful approach that allows the assessment of trends in endangerment – the rate at which species are

slipping towards extinction”, said Dr Stuart Butchart (BirdLife’s Global Research and Indicators Coordinator).

Birds have the longest history of comprehensive assessment for the IUCN Red List of any class of organism. As a result, BirdLife International developed the first IUCN Red List Index to track trends in the status of birds, for which there are now 20 years of trends. “It is excellent to see that BirdLife’s pioneering approach for measuring trends is being rolled out for other taxonomic groups, and has been adopted by the United Nations as an indicator against the Millennium Development Goals”, commented Dr Butchart.

Find out more from http://www.birdlife.org/news/news/2008/09/mdg_news.html

Seabirds now internationally protected across Africa and Eurasia

A total of twenty migratory waterbird species, including several species of auks, frigate birds, gannets and tropic birds have been added to Annex 2 of the African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbird Agreement (UNEP/AEWA) - an international treaty dedicated to the conservation of migratory waterbirds in Africa and Eurasia.

The decision to give 20 waterbird species - traditionally considered as seabirds - greater international protection was made at the



Puffin is among the seabirds to benefit from this protection

Fourth Meeting of the Parties to AEWA (MOP4) which was held in Antananarivo, Madagascar from 15-19 September 2008.

At the meeting over 150

delegates from 80 countries adopted, among others Resolution 4.11, which calls for the inclusion of 20 additional waterbird species in Annex 2 of the Agreement (AEWA Annex 2: Waterbird Species to which the Agreement Applies). The inclusion of these species gives them greater international protection and calls upon countries and other stakeholders in the region to take concrete action for those

species that have an unfavourable conservation status.

Most seabird populations are highly threatened. Amongst the most significant threats are food shortages due to depletion of fish stocks, to which overfishing and climate change both contribute. By-catch in long-line fisheries, oil pollution and solid waste (debris) are other problems for seabirds. Further threats are destruction of habitats and unsustainable human exploitation. On-land threats include disturbances at breeding sites and introduced terrestrial predators.

http://www.unep-aewa.org/news/latest_news.htm

Hot off the press: Toolkit for IBA conservation in Africa

A toolkit that compiles and boils down the lessons learnt by the BirdLife Africa Partnership in identification, monitoring and conserving Important Bird Areas was launched during the BirdLife World Conference in 2008.



The IBA toolkit is officially launched by Dr. Bennun (BirdLife) and Mrs. Skov (Jensen)

The toolkit was launched by Dr. Leon Bennun, BirdLife's Director of Science, Policy and Information at a colourful ceremony attended by among other Mrs. Mette Skov, a Director at the Aage V. Jensen Charitable Foundation

In her remarks at this occasion, Mrs. Mette Skov commented that her organization was proud to be associated with BirdLife International. She stated that Jensen Foundation is happy to have contributed financial resources towards the production of this very important reference material for the IBA conservation work. She acknowledged the fact that the impact of the toolkit will be felt beyond BirdLife Partnership and will significantly enhance 'people's responsibility as custodians of the animals, including birds'.

In launching the toolkit, Dr. Leon Bennun commended the BirdLife Africa Partnership for producing a resource for promoting IBA

conservation both among seasoned and beginning IBA conservationists.

Wildlife Clubs of Africa project launched.

The BirdLife Africa Partnership is gearing up to create a cadre of future conservationists through a project that will combine biodiversity conservation with education in innovative ways. The project will support bird conservation organizations to help bridge the digital divide in Africa and link up almost 400,000 African children, who are members of wildlife clubs, with each other and with wildlife club members in the rest of the world. The project will develop a regional electronic network and 'curriculum' /manual to promote environmental education across Africa.

This project will contribute to the achievement of two Millennium Development Goals. Goal 7: to ensure environmental sustainability; as well as Goal 2: to achieve universal primary education by 2015, by 'integrating conservation and sustainable use into education programmes (formal and non-formal).



Harnessing the network of Wildlife Clubs for conservation has a ripple effect

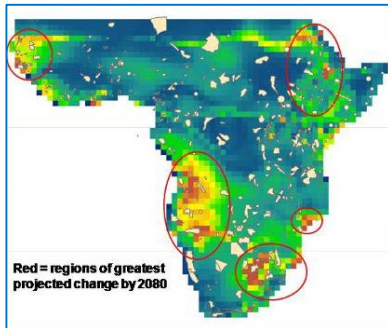
The Regional Project Manager and Project Officer, Afia Asamoah Owusu and Ojochenemi Akagu respectively, have been recruited and are based at the BirdLife Sub-regional office in Accra, Ghana. The BirdLife Africa Partnership is grateful to the Aage V Jensen Charitable Foundation for the support.

To get involved at national level, contact Afia on asaowusu@gmail.com

Adapting the network of IBAs to climate change in Africa.

Pioneering research to help biodiversity survive the impacts of climate change across Africa was presented at a workshop in Kigali, Rwanda in July 2008. The workshop was hosted by the Association pour la Conservation de la Nature au Rwanda

(BirdLife in Rwanda) on behalf of the BirdLife Africa Partnership. The project brings together the BirdLife Africa Partnership, RSPB, Durham University (UK), Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) and is funded by the MacArthur Foundation.



The project has mapped the current and future distributions of all bird species on mainland Africa by using climate change models to determine the distance and direction of shifts for each species in the future.

A particular focus of the work is understanding how well the Important Bird Areas (IBAs) network in Africa can sustain the continent's birds with future climate change.

Find out more from Mathias.behangana@birdlife.or.ke

NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP NEWS

IBA monitoring workshop convened in Kenya

A three day national Workshop on Monitoring Important Bird Areas was held at the Kenya Wildlife Service Training Institute in Naivasha from the 24th to the 26th of June 2008. The workshop was convened by Nature Kenya as part of the activities of the RSPB/BirdLife Africa IBA Monitoring Project funded by the European Commission. The workshop was attended by at least 30 participants drawn from key Kenyan institutions expected to contribute to IBA monitoring such as National Environment Management Agency, Kenya Wildlife Service, Kenya Forest Service, National Museums of Kenya, and Tana Delta Conservation Organization, among others. The workshop identified roles and responsibility of

stakeholders, increased awareness and understanding of IBA monitoring, shared experiences, discussed the global IBA



Participants during the workshop session

monitoring framework and had a practical session on how to fill in the data collection form on-site at the Lake Naivasha IBA.

For more information on IBA monitoring in Kenya, please contact Alex Ngari office@naturekenya.org

New Sightings of the Ibadan Malimbe in Nigeria's newest Proposed IBA

Surveys of the Ifon Forest Reserve, Nigeria, in November 2007 and March 2008 provided confirmed sightings of Endangered Ibadan Malimbe (*Malimbus ibadanensis*), which is endemic to South-west Nigeria. These and earlier sightings have led Ifon Forest Reserve to be proposed as Nigeria's newest Important Bird Area.



Ibadan malimbe

"The sighting of the Ibadan Malimbe in Ifon Forest Reserve



The survey team during the fieldwork

indicates an extension of its earlier known range, and have raised interesting research questions about the distribution of Ibadan Malimbe in south-western forests", said Ademola Ajagbe of

Nigerian Conservation Foundation (NCF, BirdLife in Nigeria). Records of this species from Kakum National Park, Ghana, in February 2002, September 2004 and February 2005 are yet to be confirmed (BirdLife International 2008).

Ibadan Malimbe was known only from a small area circumscribed by Ibadan, Ife, Iperu and Ilaro in south-western Nigeria. In December

2006, the species was first discovered in Ifon Forest Reserve of Ondo State, where six sight records were obtained during a ten-day survey. During the 2007 and 2008 surveys, the foraging pairs were seen on two separate occasions and lone males were recorded twice. Widespread forest clearance for subsistence agriculture is cited as a possible cause of the Ibadan Malimbe's decline since the 1970s, and human pressure on forests within its range is ongoing. Most of the forest patches within the species' current range are community-owned forests and their preservation is dependent upon the goodwill of the local communities.

http://www.birdlife.org/news/news/2008/10/nigeria_iba.html

Kijabe Environment Volunteers (KENVO) scoops prestigious Equator Prize 2008

KENVO is a youth-led organization established in 1994 and registered in 1996 as a Community Based Organization.

KENVO is an associate of Nature Kenya (BirdLife in Kenya) as the Site Support Group working to conserve the Kikuyu escarpment forest IBA due to its importance for biodiversity and the livelihoods of the local community.



KENVO are engaged in a lot of habitat restoration work



KENVO Members during celebrations for the World Environment day.

conservation of the forests as well as to the genuine improvement in local people's livelihoods.

More on this can be found on http://www.equatorinitiative.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=86&Itemid=253&lang=en#3

Conservationist rewarded

Flamingo Specialist Group member Mark Anderson has won the prestigious international 2008 AEWA Waterbird Conservation Award for his outstanding conservation work at Kamfers Dam in Kimberley South Africa. The award is particularly for his contributions to the planning and construction of a new Lesser Flamingo breeding island there in 2006.



The first successful breeding event on the new island took place in early 2008, when approximately 9,000 chicks were produced. It is hoped that the colony will breed regularly and that the island will continue to offer unique opportunities for research, education and public awareness activities.

Congratulations to Mark for this outstanding achievement.

Read more from www.unep-aewa.org/news/news_elements/2008/aewa_conservation_award_2008.htm

.....but ironically, also punished by own government....

Three high-ranking scientists face disciplinary action and the loss of their jobs because of their work to save rare lesser flamingos in South Africa. All three were employed by the Northern Cape provincial government which has suspended them after discovering their links to a campaign to save Kamfers Dam, one of only six lesser flamingo breeding sites in the world.



Deputy Director Julius Koen, ornithologist Mark Anderson and scientist Eric Herrmann have yet to receive charges or a date for their disciplinary hearing but have been suspended from their jobs with the department of tourism, environment and conservation.

Read more from www.birdlife.org/news/news/2008/09/kamfers_dam.html

.....and decides to join BirdLife

BirdLife South Africa announces the appointment of Mark Anderson as Executive Director with effect from 1 October 2008. South African born Mark is a professional ornithologist with over 17 years. His research and academic studies has allowed him to travel to most parts of the world, especially remote and pristine parts of southern Africa. Mark, a prolific author of numerous publications has received awards in recognition of his conservation work on the Northern Cape.

One of his most important achievements is the establishment of the fourth breeding site in Africa for the Lesser Flamingo at Kamfers Dam, Kimberly, South Africa.

Mark contact details: director@birdlife.org.za

New BirdLife's Global Seabird Programme coordinator based in Africa

BirdLife South Africa proudly introduces Dr Ross Wanless, BirdLife's new Global Seabird Programme coordinator, based at the Cape Town offices of BirdLife South Africa's Marine Programme.

Ross brings with him a wealth of experience in seabird conservation. His passion for all things marine stems from the



many years he has spent working on remote islands around the world, from the tropics to the sub Antarctic. Ross's first experience of seabird conservation was in the trenches, when he spent several months as an observer on a Patagonian toothfish vessel in the Southern Ocean. From there he joined BirdLife as assistant to John Cooper running the first incarnation of what is now the Global Seabird Programme. He left to further his studies at the Percy FitzPatrick Institute of the University of Cape Town (UCT), and to pursue conservation work on islands, where he gained first-hand experience of invasive species eradications. He then returned to UCT to undertake PhD research on Gough Island. This culminated in the well-publicized, dramatic evidence of mice killing and eating albatross and petrel chicks. Ross won the prize for the best thesis in 2007

from the Science Faculty, and took third place in an international thesis competition run by UNEP and the Bonn Convention on Migratory Species.

Ross can be reached on:
ross.wanless@gmail.com

Cameroon Biodiversity Conservation Society gets a new Director.

Effective 01 September 2008, Mr Legrand Nono Gonwouo, takes charge as the new Director of the Cameroon Biodiversity Conservation Society (CBCS).

Legrand is holder of an Msc in Pure and applied Zoology, and currently a doctorate candidate in the Department of Animal Ecology and Tropical Biology of the University of Würzburg in Germany.

Legrand has over 10 years' experience in biodiversity research and conservation mainly in herpetology.

Legrand can be contacted on email:
lgonwouo@yahoo.com, or cbcs@iccnet.cm

New Ramsar Site in Chad

The government of Chad has designated the "Plaine de Massenya" (2,526,000 ha. 11°15'N 16°15'E) as its 6th Wetland of International Importance. This brings the total area under Ramsar listing in Chad to 12,405,068 ha.

Visit: http://www.ramsar.org/index_bulletin.htm

Expression of gratitude to Bester Mudereri

It seems like yesterday, but actually six months ago, Bester Mudereri from Zimbabwe joined the BirdLife Africa Partnership as an Intern, supporting the Africa IBA Monitoring project. The Internship programme is one of the avenues for developing the capacity of the BirdLife Partnership in Africa.

Bester's achievements have been exemplary in terms of supporting data management for the IBA Monitoring project, supporting the IBA programme more generally, as well as adding value to the Secretariat staff as a whole.

There is no doubt that Bester will be dearly missed by the Secretariat, but we are very

pleased that the skills he has acquired will be available for BirdLife Zimbabwe.

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

31st October 2008. The Whitley Awards 2009. Size of award: GBP 90,000. Contact info@whitleyaward.org. Visit <http://www.whitleyaward.org>

Rolex Awards for Enterprise: Call for proposals to be made on 18th November 2008. Size of award: USD100, 000. Contact: Visit: <http://rolexaward.com/awards>

No specific deadline. The African Bird Club Conservation Awards. Visit: <http://www.africanbirdclub.org/club/ConsFund.html>

No specific deadline. Chester Zoo Conservation and Research Grants. Visit: <http://www.chesterzoo.org/conservation.asp?Page=126>

Official call for proposals to be made in January 2009. Mohamed bin Zayed Species Conservation Fund. Visit: <http://www.mbzspeciesconservation.org/>

No specific deadline: International Foundation for Science. Visit: <http://www.ifs.se/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

28 Oct. - 4 Nov. 2008, Changwon, Gyeongnam, Republic of Korea. 10th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties to the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands. Contact: ramsar@ramsar.org

9 - 21 Nov 2008 Rome, Italy. 9th Meeting of the CMS Conference of Parties. Contact: secretariat@cms.int

1 - 4 December 2008, Freemantle, Australia

International Invasive Bird Conference. Contact: info@onqconferences.com.au Visit: <http://www.abcon.biz/iibc.htm>

20 - 22 Nov. 2008, Chiang Mai, Thailand: World Congress on Biodiversity Visit: http://www.unep-aewa.org/news/news_elements/2007/wcb2008thailand.pdf

24 - 26 March 2009 10th Student Conference on Conservation Science, Cambridge, UK Contact: s.prior@zoo.cam.ac.uk Visit: www.sccs-cam.org

9-10 May 2009: World Migratory Bird Day 2009 <http://www.worldmigratorybirdday.org>

May 2009 International Symposium on Remote Sensing of Environment (ISRSE) in Stresa, Italy Visit: <http://isrse-33.jrc.ec.europa.eu>

18 - 25 Oct. 2009, Buenos Aires, Argentina. World Forestry Congress. Contact: info@wfc2009.org Visit: www.wfc.org

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