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The following table summarises information on the projects which received a financial contribution from the Small Grants Programme of CMS, including two projects for which the funding was received from voluntary contributions of the United Kingdom and New Zealand. Overall, there are 60 projects listed in this table, 32 of which were designed for birds, 4 for terrestrial mammals, 12 for marine mammals, one project for sharks, 9 projects for marine turtles and a further two projects that covered more than one group of animals. The financial contribution of CMS is presented in US dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

Projects carried out with a financial contribution of the CMS Small Grants Programme

	Project title	Budget ¹ (US\$)	Main Expected activities/outputs/results	Implementing Agency / Consultant	Start date	End date
	BIRDS					
1	Drafting of an Action Plan for the Houbara Bustard (<i>Chlamydotis undulata</i>)	13,500	Activities - Elaboration of a draft Action plan - Review of the existing draft Agreement - Organization of a Range State negotiation meeting	- IUCN/ Environmental Law Centre - National Commission for Wildlife Conservation and Development, Saudi Arabia	07/1997	
2	Research on the effects of near-surface and deep-sea fishing on albatross mortality and their mitigation in Uruguayan waters	10,000	Activities - Assessment of Albatross by-catch in fisheries - Study of methods to minimize by-catch - Advice to Uruguayan authorities on mitigation measures Outputs/results - Report	DGRN - Uruguay	04/1998	04/1999
3	Secretariat services to the Slender-billed Curlew Working Group (1998-1999)	20,400		BirdLife International (BLI)	07/1998	12/1999
4	Awareness campaign for the Lesser White-fronted Goose (<i>Anser erythropus</i>)	20,159		Norwegian Ornithological Society	11/1998	12/1999
5	Elaboration of a draft Action Plan for the conservation of the Slender-billed Curlew (<i>Numenius tenuirostris</i>)	10,000		Belgian Royal Institute for Natural Sciences (IRSNB)	12/1998	1999
6	Drafting of a GEF project on the conservation of the Siberian Crane (<i>Grus leucogeranus</i>)	15,800		International Crane Foundation (ICF)	12/1998	04/2000
7	Status of the Syrian Serin (<i>Serinus syriacus</i>) in the Near East	6,900		Museum Koenig, Bonn	01/1999	06/1999
8	Conservation Actions for the Ruddy-headed goose (<i>Chloephaga rubidiceps</i>) in	30,000		Wetlands International- Americas	04/1999	05/2000

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	the Austral region of Argentina and Chile					
9	Winter census of High Andes Flamingos	50,000		Fundacion Pacha Mama	07/1999	12/2000
10	Transformation of Action Plans for the Lesser Kestrel (<i>Falco naumanni</i>) and the Corncrake (<i>Crex crex</i>)	10,000		BLI	08/1999	04/2000
11	Slender-billed Curlew (<i>Numenius tenuirostris</i>) survey on the Gulf coast of Iran	6,000	Activities -Conduct a survey of the Mehran Delta Outputs/results -An estimate of the importance of the area for slender-billed Curlews, other waders -Baseline study for developing a survey of all water birds in that area -Report	Fundation WIWO	01/2000	06/2000
12	Secretariat services to the Slender-billed Curlew (<i>Numenius tenuirostris</i>) working group (2001-2002)	20,000	Activities - Update BLI database on <i>N. tenuirostris</i> - Organize a meeting of the working group - Produce draft revised Action Plan - Cooperate in organizing the MoU Range State meeting Outputs/results -Revised Database and Action Plan -Report of the Working Group meeting - Final report	BLI	02/2001	Beg. 2002
13	Survey for the Slender- billed Curlew (<i>Numenius tenuirostris</i>) in coastal areas along the Black Sea in Ukraine	14,820	Activities - Observer training workshop - Site monitoring - Translation/publication in Russian of the S-BC observation protocol Outputs/results - Trained observers; report; translated protocol	BLI	02/2001	12/2001
14	Promotion of the conservation of the Eastern Sarus Crane (<i>Grus antigone</i>) and the habitats on which they depend in Cambodia	19,500	Activities - Obtain relevant geographic information - Conduct aerial and ground surveys - Liaise with conservation persons in Cambodia Outputs/results - Digital database and map of resources found during aerial survey	ICF	02/2001	04/2002

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - List of recommended areas where conservation action is needed - Final report 			
15	Support to Range States in the implementation of activities identified under the CMS MoU concerning Conservation Measures for the Siberian Crane (<i>G. leucogeranus</i>)	8,000	<p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establishment of a mailing list - Exchange of newsletters and publications - Publication of the Siberian Crane newsletter (annual) - Development a database and a Website - Satellite tracking of 2 cranes <p>Outputs/results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improved coordination of flyway activities - Improved awareness among stakeholders - Improved data collection and dissemination - Improved information on migration 	ICF	02/2002	03/2003
16	Status overview and recommendations for the White-headed Duck (<i>Oxyura leucocephala</i>), Central Asian population	25,000	<p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Field survey for the species - Compilation of existing information on the status of the population <p>Outputs/results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report - Elements of an action plan for the species 	Wetlands International - Asia Pacific	02/2002	12/2002
17	Threatened migratory Grassland birds in Argentina an approach to habitat use at local and landscape scales	11,700	<p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compilation of existing data - Field survey - Data analysis - Drafting of Action Plan for grassland birds <p>Outputs/results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report on the status of considered species - Action Plan - Scientific papers 	Aves Argentinas / Asociacion Ornitologica del Plata	05/2002	05/2003
18	Conservation of the Ferruginous Duck (<i>Aythya nyroca</i>)	14,525	<p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Survey of the species in Bulgaria - Compilation of a review report - Updating and extending the existing Action Plan - Organization of the international workshop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BLI - Bulgarian Society for the Protection of Birds (BSPB) 	05/2002	05/2003

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development of a website Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report - Status report of world population - Action Plan - Web site 			
19	Concerted actions for the conservation and management of Ruddy-headed Goose (<i>C. rubidiceps</i>) in Argentina and Chile	23,900	Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Surveys of breeding and wintering areas - Regional networking and support to development of MoU - Development of a Water Management Plan for the critical nesting site (San Gregorio) - Fencing of nesting area - Information and education Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improved population estimate for the species - Water Management Plan for San Gregorio - Protection of critical nesting sites 	Wetlands International	11/2002	12/2003
20	Support to development of a MoU and Action Plan for the Aquatic Warbler (<i>A. paludicola</i>)	10,000	Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organization of a Range States Meeting aimed at finalizing the existing draft MoU and Action Plan , including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Preparation of meeting documents * Development and maintenance of mailing list * Assistance to Secretariat during the meeting and in the finalization of its outputs Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting documents - Mailing list - Finalized MoU and Action Plan - Final report 	BLI, The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB), UK	12/2002	07/2003
21	Studies of waterbirds, water levels, and aquatic food plants as a basis for conservation of threatened wetlands at Poyang Lake, China	14,500	Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Field sampling and monitoring - Establishment of a database - Capacity building for project staff Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Database and user manual 	ICF	03/2003	12/2003

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			- Interim and final reports			
22	Conservation of the Saffron-cowled Blackbird (<i>Xanthopsas flavus</i>)	12,840	Activities - Survey of breeding areas - Study of seasonal movements by banding and marking techniques - Information and awareness Outputs/results - Information brochure - Report	Asociacion Guyra Paraguay	04/2003	12/2003
23	Catching operation for locating wintering areas for the Lesser White-fronted Geese (<i>Anser erythropus</i>) migrating through Kazakstan by means of satellite telemetry	22,000	Activities - Deployment of satellite transmitters - Elaboration and analysis of satellite transmitter data Outputs/results - Report - Scientific papers - Identification of stopover and wintering sites in the south of Kazakhstan	Norwegian Ornithological Society	06/2003	08/2005
24	Implementing Priority Actions for the conservation of the High Andes flamingos	25,000	Activities - Satellite tracking of Andean flamingos - Site identification and mapping - Design and implementation of a monitoring plan at key sites - Meeting with the Peruvian authorities Outputs/results - Report - Improved knowledge of migratory pattern and habitat use - Peru to join trans-boundary initiatives for conservation	Corporation National Forestal (CONAF), Chile	07/2003	06/2004
25	Drafting of single species action plans for Corncrake (<i>Crex crex</i>) and for the White-headed Duck (<i>Oxyura leucocephala</i>)	9,000 (EUR)	Activities -Obtaining information in consultation with national experts -Drafting single species action plans, using AEW format -Consulting the Range states officially and integration of their comments Outputs/results -Report -Drafts of Single Species Action Plans	BLI, European Division Office	07/2004	04/2005

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26	Bird protection and power lines	7,324 (EUR)	Activities -Establishing an international address database of specialists/decision makers -Translation, publication and distribution of information documents -Creation of a specialised website Outputs/results -Report - Address database -“Electrocution of Birds” website	German Society for Nature Conservation NABU	03/2005	02/2006
27	Preparation of the International Action Plans for conservation of the Black-faced Spoonbill (<i>Platalea minor</i>), the Spoon-billed Sandpiper (<i>Eurynorhynchus pygmeus</i>) and the Chinese Crested Tern (<i>Sterna bernsteini</i>)	30,000	Activities -Reviewing the conservation status and actions taken for each species -Identifying/proposing urgent actions to prevent extinction Outputs/results -Report with recommendations for urgent actions -Concerted action for the species initiated	BirdLife Asia	12/2005	11/2007
28	Investigating Aquatic Warbler (<i>Acrocephalus paludicola</i>) wintering grounds in Senegal	13,130 (EUR)	Activities -Identifying actual and potential wintering grounds in the Senegal delta -Ringing, taking inert substance (sand/stone), feather and DNA samples, -Data analysis Outputs/results -Report -Standard methodology for detecting AW developed -More extensive information about the wintering grounds of AW	RSPB	08/2006	08/2007
29	Developing a Single Species Action Plan for the White-winged Flufftail (<i>Sarothrura ayresi</i>)	12,323 (EUR)	Activities -Organisation of the workshop in order to create an Action Plan -Consulting Range states, experts and decision makers Outputs/results -Single Species Action Plan draft in AEWA format	BLI	12/2007	07/2008

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30	Developing a Single Species Action Plan for the Madagascar Pond Heron (<i>Ardeola idea</i>)	27,255 (EUR)	Activities -Organisation of the workshop in order to create an Action Plan -Consulting Range states, experts and decision makers Outputs/results -Single Species Action Plan draft in AEWA format	BLI	03/2008	07/2008
31	Status, distribution and population size of bird species from CMS Appendix I in Macedonia	34,550	Activities -Literature review -Investigating the ecological conditions and threats to bird habitats -Carrying out a field survey for birds Preparing a database in consultation with UNEP/CMS Outputs/results -Database with information on Appendix I birds and the condition of their habitats -Report	Bird Study and Protection Society of Macedonia	02/2008	03/2009
32	Emergency action for the conservation of Spoon-billed Sandpiper (<i>Eurynorhynchus pygmeus</i>) in Myanmar	10,000 (EUR)	Activities -Identifying the local bird trappers in the Gulf of Martaban -Investigating socio-economic context -Awareness raising, concluding agreements with and providing livelihood inputs for the trappers Outputs/results -Reduction of Spoon-billed Sandpiper mortality -Report	BLI	01/2010	08/2010
MAMMALS						
33	Development of an Action Plan for conservation actions for the Sahelo-Saharan Ungulates	113,000		IRSNB	03/1996	03/2000
34	Building of an observatory for the study and observation of the Huelmul Deer (<i>Hippocamelus bisulcus</i>)	27,430	Activities - EIA - Design, building and equipment of the observatory - Training of personnel Outputs/results - Observatory created - Report	Fundacion Vida Silvestre Argentina	11/1999	4/2000
35	Sahelo-Saharan Antelopes	25,000	Activities	CRCF	09/2001	01/2002

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	survey in Chad		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vehicle surveys to estimate antelope presence and abundance - Evaluate habitat quality and impacts - Disseminate information to stakeholders - Develop plans for <i>in situ</i> conservation and re-introduction Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report - Conservation and re-introduction plans 			
36	Development of Concerted Actions for the conservation of Sahelo-Saharan antelopes	100,000	Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordination of actions in the framework of CMS/FFEM project - Establishment of geographical dbase, information system and web site - Plan development for <i>in situ</i> conservation and reintroduction in Chad, Libya and Senegal Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Database, Information System and website - Conservation and re-introduction plans - Interim and final reports 	IRSNB	01/2003	12/2003
AQUATIC MAMMALS AND LARGE FISHES						
37	Distribution and abundance surveys of cetaceans and cetacean-fishery interactions in South-western Sulu Sea and North-eastern Malaysia	22,000	Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Collecting baseline information on cetacean assemblages and fishery-cetacean interactions -Improving co-operation and networking in the region - Conducting a training session Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Report -Improved capacity and information on the cetacean communities 	WWF-Philippines, the Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Philippines Silliman University and Sabah parks	04/1996 -	10/1997
38	Survey of marine mammals in the Gulf of Tonkin	22,590	Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Training course for Vietnamese and Chinese biologists -Surveys for marine mammals and their habitat Outputs/results	IUCN/ Species Survival Commission (SSC), Cetacean Specialist Group (CSG)	10/1999	08/2000

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			-Marine mammal sighting data -Estimate of the fishing effort -Report -Increased capacity of local researchers			
39	Assessment of the conservation status of the Humpback Dolphin (<i>Sousa teuzii</i>) and other cetaceans in Senegalese and Gambian waters	25,300		MER	08/2000	2002
40	Survey of cetacean populations in Timor and Arafura Seas (Australia - Indonesia)	70,000	Activities - Observer training workshop - Ship based survey - Biopsy sampling and Analysis Outputs/results - Report - Location and GIS databases	Contractor Environment Australia Implementation World Wide Fund For Nature (WWF)	07/2000	09/2003
41	Survey of the Exploitation, Distribution and Natural History of Cetaceans in Ghana and Togo	26,250	Activities - Monitoring fish landings in selected harbours in Ghana and Togo - Training sessions for observers - Conducting necropsies and collect biological samples - Exploring the potential for the establishment of a specialized NGO Outputs/results - Final report, including original scientific results - Scientific papers to be presented in specialized scientific fora and magazines - Establishing cetacean reference collections in Ghana and Togo	Marine Education and Research (Principal investigator K. Van Waerebeek)	09/2001	04/2002
42	Second International Conference on Marine Mammals in South-East Asia	40,000	Activities - Organization of * 2-days Symposium * 3-days workshop - Preparation of working documents Outputs/results - Symposium Proceedings - Workshop report - Draft Action Plan for the conservation of	Silliman University (Philippines) in collaboration with Southwest Fisheries Science Centre (SWFSC) - USA	01/2002	11/2002

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			marine mammals in South-East Asia - Draft regional Agreement			
43	Workshop on the conservation status and research priorities of Aquatic Mammals in Latin America	10,000	Activities - Organization of the workshop - Preparation of working documents - Preparation of the Proceedings of the Workshop Outputs/results - Working documents - Workshop proceeding - Interim and final reports	Universidad Austral de Chile	09/2002	04/2003
44	Abundance estimation, habitat use and stock identity of the Franciscana (<i>P. blainvillei</i>)	34,500	Activities - Aerial survey to obtain abundance estimates - Study of habitat use and behaviour - Genetic analysis for stock determination - Workshop with authorities and press release Outputs/results - New data on the species - Report	Fundacion Vida Silvestre Argentina (FVSA)	11/2002	01/2005
45	Survey of the Marine Otter (<i>Lontra felina</i>) and the Humboldt Penguin (<i>Spheniscus humboldti</i>) populations in the Peruvian Southern coast	20,000	Activities - Survey of southern Peruvian coast for presence and abundance of the species - Workshop with Chilean and Peruvian scientists Outputs/results - Population estimate for the species - Basis for establishment of a monitoring programme and of a network of protected areas - Basis for a possible Agreement under CMS for the species	Peruvian Association for conservation of Nature (APECO)	01/2003	05/2003
46	Training Course for South Asian Scientists and Assessment of Coastal Cetacean Populations in the Bay of Bengal	38,000	Activities - Training course on population and catch assessment techniques - Vessel-based surveys in Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Sri Lanka - Investigations on incidental and direct catches Outputs/results	- Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society (WDCS) - Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS)	09/2003	12/2005

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reports and peer-reviewed publications - Popular publications - Establishment of a network of well-trained scientists in the Bay of Bengal - Increased awareness on cetaceans issues among government officials and NGOs 			
47	Publishing the proceedings of the Second Workshop on the biology and conservation of small cetaceans and Dugongs of South- East Asia conference held in Dumaguete city, Philippines on July 22-26 2002	9,360	Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Designing the layout -Printing and shipping the publication Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -500 copies of the publication produced -Report 	WWF - Philippines	03/2004	05/2004
48	Training workshops in the south Pacific on cetacean research methods	54,000 (EUR), voluntary contribution of New Zealand	Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Training workshops Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Improved capacity for cetacean research in the region 	Government of New Zealand, Department of Environment and heritage, Australia, US (NOAA), Pacific Development and Conservation Trust, International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW), whale and Dolphin Conservation Society (WDCS)	Likely 2006-2007	
49	A review of migration in sharks	10,000 £ voluntary contribution of the UK, partly funded by Defra	Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Analysis of the conservation status -Reviewing the existing initiatives to improve shark conservation status Outputs/results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Migratory shark species database -Resource paper 	IUCN-Shark Specialist Group (SSG), UK Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs		
MARINE TURTLES						
50	GIS database on marine turtles nesting sites	28,980		UNEP-World Conservation Monitoring Centre (WCMC)		

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51	Study of Marine Turtles in the Eastern Atlantic coast of Africa	27,000		J. Fretey	02/1999	2000
52	Marine turtle by-catch survey and the Olive Ridley (<i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i>) tagging programme (Sri Lanka)	24,000	Activities - Collecting turtle entanglement data - Carrying out tagging in the Gulf of Mannar Outputs/results - Action Plan to minimize by-catch in Sri Lankan waters - New data on species distribution and habitat - Report	Turtle Conservation Project (TCP) (Principal Investigator T. Kapur-usinghe)	07/1999	10/2000
53	Studies to elucidate migration and genetics of Indo-Pacific marine turtles	40,000	Activities -Sampling tissue from major rookeries -Genetic data analysis Outputs/results - Genetic characterisation of major regional rookeries - Report	University of Queensland (Principal Investigator C. Moritz)	03/2000	01/2001
54	Study of the distribution and migration pattern of the Green turtle (<i>Chelonia mydas</i>) population nesting at Poilão, Guinea Bissau	15,000	Activities - Applying satellite transmitters on nesting females - Data processing - Setting up of a website for the project Outputs/results - Technical report - Scientific publications - Website - Communications to scientific symposia - Press releases	Marine turtle Research Group, University of Wales, Swansea (MTRG-UWS)	07/2001	12/2002
55	Marine Turtle Information Mapping System Indian Ocean - Australasian region (Phase II)	53,450	Activities - Developing and managing a database - Developing GIS Internet Map Server and browser - Developing Web site interface Outputs/results - Database - Internet Map Server and browser - Web page - Reports	UNEP-WCMC	02/2003	12/2003
56	Conservation of Sea Turtles along the coast of Peru	29,905	Activities - By-catch monitoring through on-board	Peruvian Association for conservation of	05/2003	08/2004

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			observers - Training of observers - Public awareness campaign - DNA analysis Outputs/results - Interim and final reports - Scientific publications	Nature (APECO)		
57	Tracing the migrations of Indian Marine Turtles towards an integrated and collaborative conservation programme	34,500	Activities - Monitoring of marine turtle nesting at selected beaches - Marine turtle tagging Outputs/results - Reports and peer- reviewed publications - Improved knowledge of status of populations	Centre for Herpetology, Madras - Crocodile Bank Trust - Wildlife Institute of India	11/2003	01/2005
58	Advancing sea turtle conservation in Kenya	16,450	Activities -Developing a GIS database -Habitat mapping and quality assessment, tagging -Targeted public awareness and education campaign, distribution of information materials -Building stronger national and regional networks Outputs/results -Report -GIS database -Recommendations for the development of an action plan	Kenya Sea Turtle Conservation Committee (KESCOM)	07/2004	07/2005
OTHER						
59	Workshop on Conservation of neotropical species	16,000		Dir. Gen. De Recursos Naturales Renovables, Uruguay		
60	Production of species review reports and production of a concept document for a rolling paper for concerted action species	30,000	For the following species The Humboldt penguin (<i>Spheniscus humboldti</i>), the Lesser white-fronted goose (<i>Anser erythropus</i>), the Mountain Gorilla (<i>Gorilla gorilla beringei</i>) and the Leatherback turtle (<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>) Activities -Reviewing new information on each species, including biology, distribution,	UNEP-WCMC	03/2003	10/2003

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			population and migration data, conservation measures, threats and research activities Outputs/results -Report -Recommendations and conclusions with regards to the effectiveness of CMS actions -Input to the GROMS			

ⁱ In most cases, the sum equal to the CMS/UNEP financial contribution is indicated in the Budget column.