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**SECOND MEETING OF THE AFRICAN-EURASIAN MIGRATORY LANDBIRDS  
WORKING GROUP**

*Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, 25-27 November 2015*

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Wednesday, 25 November 2015 (Day 1)

| Time                          | Agenda item   | Documents/Expected outcomes   |
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| 8.00-9.00                     | <b>Registration</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting badges are provided to participants</li> </ul>   |
| <b>OPENING OF THE MEETING</b> |   |   |
| 9.00-9.30                     | <b>1. Opening remarks, introduction of participants and adoption of the agenda</b><br>The Chair will open the meeting and UNEP, Ivorian authorities and the Secretariat will give some opening remarks. The Chair will invite a tour de table for participants to introduce themselves. The meeting will be invited to adopt the Provisional Annotated Agenda | Document:<br>UNEP/CMS/AEMLWG-2//1<br>UNEP/CMS/AEMLWG-2//1b<br>Outcome: Agenda and schedule adopted  |
| 9.30-10.00                    | <b>2. Coordination of the Working Group: introduction of the new coordinator and approval of Terms of Reference</b><br>The Chair will introduce the new Coordinator and the Secretariat will introduce the TOR  | Documents:<br>UNEP/CMS/AEMLWG-2//2<br>Outcome: Coordinator's TOR adopted  |
| 10.00-10.30                   | <b>3. Modus operandi and composition of the Working Group and Steering Group</b><br>The Secretariat will introduce the proposed modus operandi  | Document:<br>UNEP/CMS/AEMLWG-2//3<br>Outcome: Modus operandi adopted  |
| 10.30-11.00                   | <i>Coffee break</i>   |   |
| 11.00-11.30                   | <b>4. Introduction to Resolution 11.17 on the Landbirds Action Plan</b><br>The Secretariat will deliver a power point presentation on the Resolution followed by a question and answer session  | Outcome: Mandates and recommendations from Res.11.17 well understood by the meeting   |
| 11.30-13.00                   | <b>5. Reports of Working Group members on Implementation of the Action Plan</b><br>The Coordinator will introduce this agenda item. A report template will be prepared ahead of the meeting and the reports received will be posted in the web.<br>A group picture will be taken before lunch   | Documents:<br>UNEP/CMS/AEMLWG-2//5<br>Outcome: Reports noted and activities that can provide a model to be replicated elsewhere highlighted |

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| 13.00-14.00 | <b>Lunch</b>  |   |
| 14.00-16.00 | <p><b>6. Discussion of regional priorities for the implementation of the Action Plan</b></p> <p>The Secretariat will make a presentation on the different regions in the Action Plan and the Chair will lead a discussion on regional priorities with a view to agree on the regional workshops to be organized in the future</p>                       | Outcome: Regional priorities and workshops agreed   |
| 16.00-16.30 | <b>Coffee break</b>   |   |
| 16.30-18.00 | <p><b>7. Discussion on land use change in West Africa and its effect on migratory landbirds</b></p> <p>BirdLife International will lead a discussion on policies to address land use change in WA and its effect on migratory landbirds</p> <p>The content and programme of the workshop on land use change to be held in WA in 2016 will be agreed</p> | <p>Documents:</p> <p>UNEP/CMS/AEMLWG-2//7<br/>UNEP/CMS/AEMLWG-2//7b</p> <p>Outcomes: Priority policies and future actions agreed; workshop content and programme agreed</p> |

**Thursday, 26 November 2015 (Day 2)**

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| 08.00-09.00 | <p><b>8. Preparation of a Programme of Work for AEMLAP and the Working Group</b></p> <p>The Coordinator will lead a discussion on potential elements for a POW</p>  | Outcome: a template for the POW agreed  |
| 09.00-09.30 | <p><b>9. Update on single species action plans</b></p> <p>Birdlife International will provide an update on the action plans for Yellow-breasted Bunting (Nicola Crockford), European Roller (Alex Ngari) and Turtle Dove (Kate Hand). Opportunities for the WG to engage in these APs will be discussed</p> | Outcome: Participation of WG members in the development and implementation of the AP's enhanced |
| 09.30-10.30 | <p><b>10. New and ongoing projects</b></p> <p>BirdLife International will introduce the projects "Living on the Edge", "Birds without Borders" and "Shea Butter"; the Secretariat will introduce the project by the Federal Agency for Nature Conservation (BfN) funded by Germany</p>                      | Outcome: enhanced understanding of new and ongoing relevant landbird projects                   |

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| 10.30-11.00 | <i>Coffee break</i>  |  |
| 11.00-12.00 | <p><b>11. Institutional framework for the Landbirds Action Plan</b></p> <p>The Secretariat will deliver a presentation on the different options for an institutional framework for the Landbirds Action Plan</p>   | Outcome: potential options assessed and ideal institutional framework assessed   |
| 12.00-13.00 | <p><b>12. Synergies with other CMS instruments</b></p> <p>The Chair will lead a discussion on potential synergies with AEWA and the Raptors MOU; Jaroslav Krogulec will explore synergies with the Aquatic Warbler MOU</p>   | Outcome: areas of common interest and potential joint work identified  |
| 13.00-14.00 | <i>Lunch</i>   |  |
| 14.00-14.30 | <p><b>13. Collaboration with other CMS and wider UN processes</b></p> <p>The Secretariat will briefly update the meeting on other CMS and wider UN processes which are relevant to the Landbirds Action Plan, such as poisoning and illegal killing of birds; Kate Hand will do the same with other UN processes under FAO, UNFCCC and UNCCD</p> | Outcome: synergies between Landbirds Action Plan and other international processes enhanced  |
| 14.30-14.45 | <p><b>14. Update on the Migratory Landbirds Study Group (MLSG)</b></p> <p>A written summary on the work of MLSG will be submitted by Danae Sheehan, followed by a discussion on how MLSG can support the implementation of the AP</p>  | <p>Documents:<br/>UNEP/CMS/AEMLWG-2/14</p> <p>Outcome: Cooperation between the MLSG and the Landbirds Working Group strengthened</p>               |
| 14.45-15.00 | <p><b>15. Update on the Friends of the Landbirds Action Plan (FLAP)</b></p> <p>The Coordinator will provide an update on FLAP, followed by a discussion on future steps to make it operative as a communication platform</p>   | Outcome: A clear understanding on FLAP and how it will be established  |
| 15.00-16.00 | <p><b>16. Financial issues: funding opportunities for the implementation of the AP</b></p> <p>The Secretariat will introduce the document and the Chair will lead a discussion on funding needs and a sustainable funding mechanism for AEMLAP</p>   | <p>Documents:<br/>UNEP/CMS/AEMLWG-2//16</p> <p>Outcome: options for sustainable funding discussed and priority fund-raising initiatives agreed</p> |
| 16.00-1630  | <i>Coffee break</i>  |  |

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| <b>15.00-17.30</b> | <b>17. Preparations for COP12: Potential content of a new resolution on migratory landbirds including a Programme of Work</b><br>The Chair will lead a discussion on the new Resolution and POW | Outcome: content of new Resolution agreed and POW finalized |
| <b>17.30-17.45</b> | <b>18. Next meeting of the WG</b><br>The Chair will invite proposals to host the next meeting of the WG   | Outcome: Proposals to host the meeting acknowledged         |
| <b>17.45-18.00</b> | <b>19. Any other business</b><br>The Chair will request the meeting if there are any other business to be raised  | Outcome: AOB discussed                                      |
| <b>18.00</b>       | <b>20. Closure of the meeting</b><br>The Secretariat will make some closing remarks and the Chair will make his final statement and close the meeting   |   |

**Friday, 27 November 2015 (Day 3)**

| <b>Time</b>        | <b>Agenda item</b>   | <b>Documents/Expected outcome</b>   |
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| <b>06.00-18.00</b> | <b>Excursion</b><br>A coach will leave from the meeting venue at 6 am to visit Grand-Bassam Ramsar site (about 1hour from the venue) and Forêt Classée of N'ganda N'ganda and the Ehotilé National Park (2 hours from the venue), two protected areas which are also Ramsar sites. Staff from the BirdLife partner in Côte d'Ivoire, SOS Foret, will guide the tour. A pack lunch will be provided | Outcome: Field observations of habitats and birds. Networking and understanding between meeting participants enhanced |