



# CONVENTION ON MIGRATORY SPECIES

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MEETING TO IDENTIFY AND ELABORATE AN  
OPTION FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION  
ON AFRICAN-EURASIAN MIGRATORY RAPTORS  
UNDER THE CONVENTION ON MIGRATORY SPECIES  
Loch Lomond, Scotland, United Kingdom, 22-25 October 2007

## CLIMATE CHANGE AND CARBON OFFSETTING

*(Prepared by Defra)*

Dear Participants,

We are delighted that you will be able to attend the meeting in Loch Lomond to consider the elaboration of a possible new international agreement to help conserve migratory raptors in Africa and Eurasia.

As you will know, climate change is seen as a major threat to biodiversity and to the planet generally. We therefore feel that it would be prudent to consider how having this meeting will contribute in some way to climate change and in turn its threat to biodiversity.

We recognise that these meetings are essential to allow decisions to be taken, but to help reduce its impact on the climate, we would encourage you to consider offsetting the carbon footprint generated by your attendance. You may already do this as a matter of course. But in case you do not, the UK Government has identified a number of carbon offset companies for individuals that you might like to approach.

< <http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/climatechange/uk/carbonoffset/links.htm> >

The UK Government recognises the UNFCCC and the CDM as the highest internationally agreed standard for emission reductions and, as such, purchases Certified Emission Reductions (CERs) for its own offsetting initiatives. The offsetting providers listed on the Defra website offer credits from the regulated market, such as CERs and/or EU Allowances (EUAs), as part of their portfolio. The UK Government does not, however, endorse any of the listed companies.

For further information on carbon offsetting you may wish to visit the Defra webpage mentioned above. And, if you have any specific questions are carbon offsetting, the UK Government has volunteered to help with them. Please e-mail: [carbonoffsetting@defra.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:carbonoffsetting@defra.gsi.gov.uk).

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