

FIRST MEETING OF THE SIGNATORIES TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON THE CONSERVATION OF SOUTHERN SOUTH AMERICAN MIGRATORY GRASSLAND BIRD SPECEIS AND THEIR HABITATS

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1. General Objectives

Improve the conservation status of southern South American migratory grassland bird species and their habitats, breeding, migration and non-breeding gathering grounds.

2. Specific Objectives

- I. Promote the protection and management of grasslands important for migratory species.
- II. Develop and coordinate monitoring and research programmes of the species of the MoU and their habitats.
- III. Raising awareness on the importance of natural grasslands and threatened species.
- IV. Strengthen public policies for the preservation of natural grasslands.
- V. Strengthen the institutions involved in the MOU.
- VI. Strengthen international cooperation among the country states to the MoU.

To be completed:

Definition of protected areas:

Put a note that the order of priority does not clearly reflect the priority for each country.

Abreviaturas

ONGs Non-governmental Organisations.

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| APyF | División Áreas Protegidas y Fauna |
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| DGSA | Dirección General de Servicios Agrícolas |
| DNA | Dirección Nacional de Aduanas |
| DINAMA | Dirección Nacional de Medio Ambiente |
| DINOT | Dirección Nacional de Ordenamiento Territorial |
| DNV | Dirección Nacional de Vialidad |
| IIBCE | Instituto de Investigaciones Biológicas Clemente Estable |
| INASE | Instituto Nacional de Semillas |
| INIA | Instituto de Investigación Agropecuaria |
| MGAP | Ministerio de Ganadería, Agricultura y Pesca |
| MTOP | Ministerio de Transporte y Obras Públicas |
| MVOTMA | Ministerio de Vivienda, Ordenamiento Territorial y Medio Ambiente |
| RENARE | Dirección General de Recursos Naturales Renovables |
| PNN | Prefectura Nacional Naval |
| PPR | Proyecto Producción Responsable |
| SNAP | Sistema Nacional de Áreas Protegidas |

3. 2010-2015 Actions

Objective I: To promote the protection and management of grasslands of importance for migratory species

| Programme | Activity | Priority/Degree of Difficulty | Involved Institutions –Actors | Results Indicator | Period |
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| 1.Creation and strengthening of conservation figures in important species areas | 1.1 To identify and propose potential areas for creation of PAs seeking regional representativeness and complementarity. The analysis of representativeness (GAP analysis) of existing protected areas and IBAs will be considered. | High / High | Argentina: APN, Gob. prov., SAyDS, NGOs. Bolivia: DGBAP, SERNAP, NGOs, Universities. Brazil: DIREP y DIBIO/ICMBIO, MMA Universities and NGOs. Paraguay: DGPCB/SEAM, Universities and NGOs. Uruguay: DINAMA (SNAP), RENARE (APyF), NGOs, Universities. | Number of, relative surface of representative and complementary areas identified, proposed, created and with management capacity. | 5 years |
| | 1.2 Giving incentives to creation of private PAs. | High / High | Argentina: Prov Gov, SAyDS, NGOs. Brasil: DIREP and DIBIO/ICMBIO, Owners in critical areas of Campos Sulinos de Rio Grande do Sul. Bolivia: DGBAP, SERNAP. Municipalities and governments. Paraguay: SEAM, partners, NGO. Uruguay: MVOTMA (SNAP). | Number of PAs established or acknowledged. | 5 years |
| | 1.3 To include a component of grassland bird conservation in the management plans for PAs. | High /Low | Argentina:APN,ProvGov,SAyDS,NGOs.Bolivia:DGBAP,SERNAP.Brazil:DIREP and DIBIO/ICMBIO.Paraguay:DASP/DGPCB/SEAMUruguay:DINAMA (SNAP),RENARE(APyF). | Number of management plans or other planning tools, including the conservation of grassland birds. | 5 years |
| 2. Habitats management in non- | 2.1 To promote, develop and/or strengthen financial and/or market incentives, economic alternatives for farmers who manage | High/ High | Argentina: INTA, SAGyP, SAyDS, APN, Prov Gov., NGOs. Bolivia DGBAP, governorates and | Number of, and relative surface of critical areas identified. | 1 year 5 years |
| protected areas | grasslands in a manner consistent with the ecological requirements of species, especially in critical areas for threatened species. | | municipalities. Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, EMATER, EMBRAPA, Prefectures, NGOs and Universities. | Incentives identified. Number of incentive projects implemented. Certification schemes | 5 years |

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| | | | Paraguay : DGPCB, DVS, ARP, MAG, MIC. NGOs Universities. Municipalities | for biodiversity friendly products developed. | |
| | | | and governments. Uruguay : DINAMA, MGAP (RENARE- PPR), municipalities, NGOs Universities. | | |
| | 2.2 Promote the conservation of native grasslands along land strips/shoulders on highways and local tracks. | Medium/ High | Argentina: DNV, DVP, SAyDS, APN, Prov Gov., municipalities. Bolivia: DGBAP, governorates and municipalities. Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, DNIT, DETRAN, Prefectures. Paraguay: SEAM, MOPC, municipalities, governments. Uruguay: MVOTMA (DINOT), MGAP (RENARE), MTOP (DNV), town/city councils. | Km/surface of roads with land strips promoting the conservation of native grasslands. Laws/regulations of land strips management of public domain. | 5 years |
| | 2.3 Give incentive to projects involving habitat management demonstration units in experimental fields, depending on the species habitat requirements | Medium/Medium | Argentina: INTA, SAGyP, SAyDS, Prov Gov., NGOs. Municipalities. Bolivia: DGBAP, governorates and municipalities, universities, NGOs. Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, EMBRAPA, EMATER, Universities. Paraguay: SEAM, partners, IPTA, Universities. Uruguay: MVOTMA (DINAMA), MGAP (RENARE-PPR) INIA. | Number of projects involving habitat management illustrative units in experimental fields. | 5 years |
| | 2.4 Promote the use of native seeds and fodder plants in pastoral systems to promote the use of native pastures. | Medium/ High | Argentina: INTA, SAGyP, SAyDS, Prov Gov., NGOs. Municipalities. Bolivia: DGBAP, governorates and municipalities, universities, NGOs, SENASAG. Brazil: CEMAVE and DIBIO/ICMBIO, EMBRAPA, EMATER, Universities. Paraguay: SEAM/DVS, partners, SENAVE, NGOs. Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE-PPR- DGSA) INIA, Universities. | Number of farmers and communities adopting systems using native seeds. Number of hectares planted with native species. | 5 years |

| Objective II. To develop and coordinate monitoring and research programs of the MOU species and their habitats. | Objective II. To develo | op and coordinate moni | itoring and research | programs of the MOU | species and their habitats. |
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| Programme | Activity | Priority/Degree of Difficulty | Actors - Institutions | Results Indicator | Time line | |
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| 3. Basic Research | 3.1 Analyze the species representativeness in the existing protected areas system (GAP Analysis) in the region. | High /Low | Argentina: Nat. Univ., CONICET, NGOs.Bolivia: DGBAP, universities, NGOs,SERNAP.Brazil: DIREP and DIBIO/ICMBIO,MMA, Universities and NGOs. | GAP analysis by country. GAP analysis for the grasslands region. | 2 years 3 years | |
| | | | Paraguay: DGPCB/SEAM, Universities and NGOs. Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE), MVOTMA (SNAP), Universities and NGOs. | | | |
| | 3.2 To undertake niche modelling researches in key areas for species conservation | Medium/Medium | Argentina: Nat.Univ., CONICET, NGOs. Bolivia: universities, NGOs. Brazil: CEMAVE, Universities, NGOs, Paraguay: DGPCB/SEAM, partners Universities and NGOs. Brazil: DIBIO/DIREP/ICMBIO, partners Universities and NGOs. Uruguay: DINAMA (SNAP), RENARE (APyF), NGOs, Universities. | Number of modellings conducted. | 5 years | |
| | 3.3 To improve migration routes and species habitat needs knowledge | High / High | Argentina: Nat.Univ., CONICET, NGOs. Bolivia: DGBAP, universities, NGOs. Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, Universities, NGOs. Uruguay: MGAP, Universities, NGOs. Paraguay: DVS, MNHNP, CDC, NGOs, Universities. | Number of reports/ publications on migration routes and habitat needs. | 5 years | |
| | 3.4 To carry out comparative studies in grasslands under different types of management | High /Low | Argentina: INTA, Nat.Univ., CONICET, NGOs. Bolivia: universities, NGOs. Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, Universities, NGOs. Uruguay: MGAP, Universities, NGOs, Paraguay: DVS, MNHNP, CDC, NGOs, Universities. | Comparative studies by country produced. | 5 years | |

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| | 3.5 To progress in taxonomic clarification. | Medium/Medium | Argentina: Nat.Univ., CONICET Nat, H. Museum), NGOs. Bolivia: universities, NGOs. Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, Universities, NGOs. Paraguay: DGPCB-CONACYT, Universities. | Taxonomic relationships established, especially for <i>Sporophila</i> spp. Amount of research conducted or in progress. | 5 years |
| | 3.6 To promote demographic studies. | High /Medium | Uruguay: MGAP,IIBCE Universities. Argentina: Nat.Universities, CONICET, NGOs, SAyDS. Bolivia: universities, NGOs. Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, MAPA, MS, Universities, NGOs. Paraguay: DVS, SENACSA, MSPBS, NGOs, Universities. Uruguay: MGAP, Universities, NGOs. | Demographic studies completed or in progress. Data published. | 5 years |
| 4. Population and habitat monitoring | 4.1 Developing and implementing an international ringing programme. | High /Medium | Argentina: Nat.Univ., CONICET, NGOs, SAyDS. Brazil: CEMAVE, RAAHO, Universities. Bolivia: universities, NGOs. Paraguay: SEAM, NGOs, Universities. Uruguay: MGAP, Universities, NGOs. | Programme developed and capacity conducted. Ringed birds per country. | 5 years |
| | 4.2 Promote a single monitoring protocol for each species or group of species. | High /Low | Argentina: Nat.Univ., CONICET, NGOs, SAyDS. Bolivia: universities, NGOs. Brazil: CEMAVE, Universities, NGOs. Paraguay: DVS, MNHNP, CDC, NGOs, Universities. Uruguay: MGAP, Universities, NGOs. | Protocol established Monitoring program established. | 1 year 2 years |
| | 4.3 To set a knowledge baseline on species abundance, distribution and conservation status. Move to 4 | High /Low | Argentina: Nat.Univ., CONICET, NGOs. Bolivia: universities, NGOs. Brazil: CEMAVE/DIBIO/ICMBIO, Universities, NGOs. Paraguay: DVS, MNHNP, CDC, NGOs, Universities. Uruguay: MGAP, Universities, NGOs. | knowledge baseline set for each country. | 2 year |

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| | 4.4 Promote/conduct epidemiological studies | High /Medium | Argentina: Nat.Univ., CONICET, NGOs, | Studies conducted. Data | 5 years |
| | and on the impact of human activities on bird | | SAyDS. | published. | |
| | populations. | | Brazil: MAPA, IBAMA ICMBIO, | | |
| | | | partners, Universities, NGOs. | | |
| | | | Bolivia: universities, NGOs. | | |
| | | | Paraguay: SEAM, partners NGOs, | | |
| | | | Universities. | | |
| | | | Uruguay: MGAP (DGSA), Universities, | | |
| | | | NGOs. | | |
| 5. Information | 5.1 Promote development of a single protocol | High /Medium | Argentina: Nat.Univ., CONICET, NGOs, | Contacts with LAMNA | 1 year |
| facilitation and | for information systematization. | | SAyDS. | (WBL ringing) / | |
| systematizatio | | | Bolivia: DGBAP, universities, NGOs. | GROMS / GBIF, Aves | |
| n | | | Brazil: CEMAVE (SNA), Universities. | Internacionales, | |
| | | | Paraguay: SEAM, partners NGOs, | BirdLife, RAAHO, | |
| | | | Universities. | AKN, etc. | 5 years |
| | | | Uruguay: MGAP, Universities, NGOs. | Protocol established. | |

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| 6. Capacity building for farmers and wider society | 6.1 Develop a manual of best practices aimed at farmers and wider society | Medium/Medium | Argentina: INTA, Univ. Nac., Gob. Prov., ONGs, SAyDS. Bolivia: DGBAP, universidades, ONGs. Brasil: EMBRAPA, EMATER. Paraguay: MAG (Extensión) FCA (Ecología Humana, DPA), SEAM (Educación), ONGs. Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE-PPR), INIA, Universidades. | Number of manuals produced and circulated. | 2 years |
| | 6.2 Conduct capacity building courses on best practices and conservation aimed at stakeholders (Municipalities, governments. educators, producers, rural associations etc.). | Medium/Medium | Argentina: INTA, Univ. Nac., Gob. Prov., ONGs, SAyDS. Bolivia: DGBAP, universidades, ONGs. Brasil: EMBRAPA, EMATER. Paraguay: MAG (Extensión) FCA (Ecología Humana, DPA), SEAM (Educación). Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE-PPR), INIA, Universidades. | Number of courses implemented. Outreach materials produced. Number of people trained. | 3 years |
| 7. Outreach, education | 7.1 Development of a logo that identifies the MOU and its objectives. | High /Low | MoU members | Logo defined and produced. | 1 year |
| | 7.2 To develop educational campaigns to discourage species illegal trade. | High /Medium | ArgentinaBrazil:IBAMA, CEMAVE/DIBIO/ICMBIO, Environmental Police.Bolivia:DGBAP, customs, municipalities,governorates,universities,NGOsParaguay:SEAM (Education, DFAI,DVS), NGOs.Uruguay:MGAP (RENARE), NGOs. | Number of campaigns implemented. | 5 years Activity continua |
| | 7.3 To promote outreach and assessment campaigns on species and their environments. | High /Low | Argentina NGOs, SAyDS, Prov. Gov. Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, EMBRAPA, EMATER. | Number of social groups made aware. Number of lectures and | 2 years |
| | | | Bolivia DGBAP, universities NGOs. Paraguay : MAG (Extension) FCA (Human Ecology, DPA), SEAM (Education), NGOs. Uruguay : MGAP (RENARE), NGOs. | materials distributed in rural exhibitions and other events. Outreach materials produced. | 2 years 1 year |

Objective III. To raise awareness on the importance of natural grasslands and endangered species.

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| | 7.4 Developing, producing outreach material | High /Low | Argentina: NGOs, SAyDS, Prov. Gov. | Outreach materials | 3 years |
| | on the species and their environments. | | Brasil: CEMAVE IBAMA, /ICMBIO, | produced, | |
| | | | Environmental Police. | | |
| | | | Bolivia: DGBAP, universities, NGOs | | |
| | | | Paraguay: SEAM (Education, DFAI, DVS), | | |
| | | | NGOs. | | |
| | | | Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE), NGOs. | | |
| | 7.5 To promote organization of symposia on | High /Low | Argentina: Research institutes, Nat.Univ., | Number of symposia | 5 years |
| | grassland birds in national/international | | NGOs. | conducted per country. | |
| | ornithology meetings, conservation meetings | | Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, EMBRAPA, | | |
| | and agricultural sector meetings | | EMATER, Universities, NGOs. | | |
| | | | Bolivia DGBAP, universities NGOs | | |
| | | | Paraguay: SEAM (Education), NGOs, | | |
| | | | Universities. | | |
| | | | Uruguay : MGAP (RENARE), Universities, NGOs. | | |
| | 7.6 Promote and circulate appropriate | High /Medium | Argentina INTA, NGOs, SAyDS | Number of | 5 years |
| | practices on prescribed fire management. | 0 | (CPNMF), Prov. Gov. SAGYP. | implemented | 2 |
| | | | Bolivia | campaigns, | |
| | | | Brazil: CEMAVE/ICMBIO, IBAMA. | | |
| | | | Paraguay: DGPCB/SEAM, CONAM. | | |
| | | | Uruguay: MGAP, MVOTMA (DINAMA). | | |

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| 8. Legislation | 8.1 To draft the development of the legal framework for grasslands preservation in non-protected areas. | Medium/ High | Argentina SAGyP, SAyDS, Prov. Gov. Brazil: DIBIO, ICMBIO, CONAMA.MMA. Bolivia: DGBAP, Governorates and municipalities. Paraguay: DGPCB/SEAM, CONAM. Uruguay: MVOTMA (DINAMA), MGAP (RENARE). | Regulations promulgated / issued, | 5 years |
| | 8.2 Develop and implement grasslands planning tools | Medium/Medium | Argentina INTA, NGOs, SAyDS (CPNMF), Prov. Gov. SAGYP. Bolivia: DGBAP, Governorates and municipalities. Brazil: DIBIO, ICMBIO, SISNAMA. MMA. Paraguay: DGPCB/SEAM, CONAM. Uruguay: MGAP, MVOTMA (DINAMA- DINOT). | Territorial planning tools and action plans produced, implemented. Operational plans per year per country. | 5 years 1 year |
| | 8.3 Promoting and implementing regulations on the use of grasslands invasive alien species | High / High | Argentina: SAGYP, INTA, SAYDS, Province governments. Bolivia: DGBAP, SENASAG, Governments, Municipalities. Brasil: DIBIO/ICMBIO, IBAMA, MMA. Paraguay: DGPCB/SEAM, CONAM, SENAVE. Uruguay: MGAP (DGSA, INASE) INIA. | Number of regulations proposed and implemented. | 3 to 5 years |
| 9. Enforcement | 9.1 Developing and implementing control programs to prevent illegal capture and trade. | High / High | Argentina: SAYDS, provincial governments, Federal Police, National Gendarmerie, National Prefecture, Provincial Police. Bolivia: DGBAP, governorates, municipalities, National Customs, National Police. Brasil: IBAMA, DIBIO and CGPRO/ICMBIO, Environmental Police. Paraguay: SEAM (DFAI), DVS, National Customs, Coast guard. Uruguay: RENARE, Policía Nacional, PNN, DNA. | Number of programs developed and implemented. Number of specimens confiscated. | 3 years |

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| | 9.2 To regulate and enforce the use of highways and roads shoulders (verges, land strips) for agricultural activities within important species areas. | Low / High | Argentina DNV, DVP, Prov Gob. Bolivia DGBAP, SERNAP, Governorates and municipalities. Brazil: IBAMA, DNIT, DETRAN. Paraguay: SEAM (DFAI) MOPC. Uruguay: MVOTMA (DINOT), MTOP (DNV). | Km of land strips/shoulders of roads through priority areas enforced. | 5 years Continuo us activity |
| | 9.3 Assessing species illegal trade volume and geographic scale. | High / High | Argentina: SAYDS, customs, provincial governments, Federal Police, National Gendarmerie, National Prefecture, Provincial Police. Bolivia: DGBAP, governorates, municipalities, National Customs, National Police. Brasil: IBAMA, CGPRO/ICMBIO, Environmental Police, Federal Police. Uruguay: RENARE, Policía Nacional, PNN, DNA. Paraguay: SEAM (DFAI), DVS, Customs, Coast guard. | Diagnostics developed and circulated. | 2 years |
| | 9.4 Environmental licenses enforcement and monitoring in areas of importance for the migratory species. | High / High | Argentina: SAYDS, provincial governments. Bolivia: DGMAA, governorates, municipalities. Brasil: IBAMA, CGPRO/ICMBIO, State Secretariats of Environment. Uruguay: RENARE, MVOTMA (DINAMA). Paraguay: SEAM (DFAI), DVS, DGCCA. | Number of licenses controlled in areas of importance for migratory birds. | Annual |

| Objective V. | To strengthen | institutions | involved in | the MOU |
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| Programme | Activity | Priority/ Degree of Difficulty | Actors - Institutionss | Results Indicator | Period |
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| 10. Institutional strengthening | 10.1 Promoting and implementing projects funding and development to implement the action plan. | High / High | Argentina: SAYDS, provincial governments, Universities, NGOs, Nac. CONICET. Bolivia: VMA (DGBAP), Universities, NGOs. Brazil: DIBIO y CEMAVE/ICMBIO, (PROBIO), NGOs. Paraguay: SEAM, CONACYT, NGOs, Universities, MAG. Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE), Universities, NGOs. | Number of projects funded and developed. | 5 years |
| 11. Agreements/ partnerships | 11.1 Promote agreements and/or partnerships with universities and scientific and conservation institutions. | High/Medium | Argentina: Bolivia:DGBAP, universities, NGO. Brazil: DIBIO y CEMAVE/ICMBIO, Universities, NGOs. Paraguay: SEAM, ITAIPU, EBY, CONACYT, MAG, IPTA, Universities, NGOs. Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE), MVOTMA (DINAMA), Universities, NGOs. | Number of agreements, alliances established. | 2 years |
| 12. Capacity building | 12.1 Capacity building on species identification aimed at regulatory agents | High /High | Argentina: SAYDS, prov, gov. NGOs, gendarmerie, national prefecture, municipalities, federal police, National Customs, prov. Police. Bolivia: DGBAP, SENASAC, governorates, municipalities, universities, Customs, national police. Brazil: DIBIO y CEMAVE/ICMBIO, federal and environment police, Universities, NGOs. Paraguay: SEAM (MNHNP), Universities, NGOs, customs, environmental police. Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE), Universities, NGOs. PNN, DNA, national police. | Number of capacity building courses conducted. Number of people trained. | 2 years and then continuo us |

| Programme | Activity | Priority/Degree of Difficulty | Actors - Institutions | Results Indicator | Timelin e |
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| 13. International Cooperation | 13.1 To generate an interactive system for information sharing and to systematize monitoring of migratory species. | Medium/High | Argentina: SAYDS (SYAN). Bolivia: DGBAP. Brazil: DIBIO and CEMAVE/ICMBIO. CMS Secretariat Paraguay: SEAM (MNHNP). Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE). | Interactive system in place. Discussion workshops implemented. | 3 years 1 year |
| | 13.2 To establish North-South cooperation agreements for the conservation of Nearctic species (WHMSI, NMBCA, WHSRN, CWS, USFWS). | Medium/Medium | Argentina: Bolivia: Brazil: DIBIO/ICMBIO, MMA, MRE, NGOs. CMS Secretariat Paraguay: SEAM (DPE), NGOs. Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE), NGOs. | Cooperation tools signed. | 3 years |
| | 13.3 Promote technical –scientific expertise exchange among Memorandum actors | High /Low | Argentina: SAYDS (DFS), Prov, gov, NGO. Bolivia: universities, DGBAP. Brazil: DIBIO and CEMAVE/ICMBIO, Universities, NGOs. Paraguay: SEAM, Universities, NGOs. Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE), Universities, NGOs. | Number of workshops, participation in capacity building courses, internships, field courses. | 2 years and then annual |
| | 13.4 Explore natural grasslands potential as sinks for carbon credit markets. Conduct basic research. | Medium/ High | Argentina:Nat.Univ.,INTA,SAYDS(climate change),Bolivia:universities,DGBAP,NGOs.Paraguay:SEAM,partners:Universities,NGOs.Uruguay:MVOTMA(DINAMA),partners:Universities,NGOs. | Reports/diagnoses produced. | 3 years |
| | 13.5 To promote the creation of a PAs "regional network" to coordinate common activities/ management protocols. | Medium/High | Argentina:prov. gov. Municipalities, APNSAYDS (GTAP) NGOs.Brazil:DIREP/DIBIO/ICMBIO,Universities, NGOs MMA.Bolivia:SERNAT, DGBAP. | Regional contacts established. Regional network created. | 3 and 5 years |

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| | | | Paraguay: SEAM, Universities, NGOs. Municipalities, governorates. Uruguay: MGAP (RENARE), MVOTMA (DINAMA-SNAP), Universities, NGOs. | | |
| | 13.6 To explore the possibility to linkthe MoU with related initiatives/conventions | Medium/Medium | CMS Secretariat | link established, IUCN and Birdlife grassland initiative, CBD, CMNUCC, CNULD, Ramsar, others. | 3 years |
| | 13.7 Achieve financial support to implement the MoU coordination meetings. | High /Medium | Argentina: SAyDS, NGOs. Bolivia: DGBAP Brazil: DIBIO/ICMBIO, MMA, PROBIO partners: Universities, NGOs. Uruguay: MGAP, partners: Universities, NGOs. Paraguay: SEAM, partners: Universities, NGOs. | meetings taking place periodically. | 3 years |