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NOMINATIONS FOR THE APPOINTED COUNCILLORS FOR AQUATIC MAMMALS AND BIRDS

Summary

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The Secretariat has therefore sought nominations for candidates to be appointed for those positions. Three nominations were received for Aquatic Mammals and two for Birds. Details are contained in this document.

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- 1. The Conference-Appointed Councillor for Aquatic Mammals, William Perrin, and the Conference-Appointed Councillor for Birds, Leon Bennun, have informed the Secretariat that they will not be in a position to continue serving as COP-appointed councillors for the next term (2015-2017).
- 2. In the assumption that the 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP11) will acknowledge the continued need of appointed councillors for these taxonomic groups, the Secretariat has therefore sought nominations for candidates to be appointed for those positions.
- 3. In early May 2014, a call for nominations went out to all Members of the Scientific Council, as well as the external experts associated with the working groups concerned. It was also brought to the attention of relevant scientific bodies.
- 4. Terms of reference for Conference-appointed Councillors were included in the mailing (attached as Annex III), and instructions given for nominating candidates, which should include a brief statement justifying the candidature, a CV of the candidate, as well as a declaration by the candidate expressing readiness to accept the appointment if selected. Nominations were accepted until 8 June 2014.
- 5. Candidatures are expected to be reviewed and discussed in the taxonomic working groups concerned, which would then seek the endorsement of the Scientific Council in order to forward their recommendations to COP11 for decision.

Summary of Nominations for the Conference-Appointed Councillor for Aquatic Mammals

For Aquatic Mammals, three names were submitted to the Secretariat. With a view to facilitating a comparative review of the candidatures by the working groups, a short overview of the candidates is provided in Table 1, in alphabetical order by last name. The table was compiled by the Secretariat, and reflects its interpretation of the candidates' CVs. It has not been reviewed or approved by the candidates. The full submissions, each including the nomination letter, the CV and the declaration of the candidate, are included as Annex 1.

Name	Qualifications	Affiliation	Key Relevant Experience	Key International Policy Experience
Ellen Hines	PhD in Geography	San Francisco State University, USA University of Victoria, Canada	• Emphasis on habitat use, abundance, monitoring techniques, community-based conservation	 Appointed Expert to the Pool of Experts, United Nations World Ocean Assessment (Marine Mammals) External Expert to the CMS ScC AMWG
Giuseppe Notarbartolo di Sciara	PhD in Marine Biology	Tethys Research Institute University of Milan, Italy	 Extensive research and policy experience Research mainly on cetaceans and rays Emphasis on ecosystem- and habitat-based conservation, impacts and mitigation of threats, morphology Main regional focus: Mediterranean; local, regional and global perspectives Deputy Chair, IUCN SSC Cetacean Specialist Group Member, IUCN SSC Shark Specialist Group Co-Chair, Joint IUCN WCPA/SSC Task Force on Marine Mammal Protected Areas Coordinator, CIESM Task Force on Marine Mammals 	ACCOBAMS (2002-2010) Commissioner/Alternate Commissioner for Italy, International Whaling Commission (IWC) (1999-2003)

Brian Smith	MSc in Natural Resource Management	Wildlife Conservation Society	 Extensive field research and training experience Research on cetaceans, freshwater and marine Emphasis on population assessments, impacts and mitigation of threats, community-based conservation Main regional focus: South and South East Asia; local and regional perspectives Member, IUCN SSC Cetacean Specialist Group Member, Joint IUCN WCPA/SSC Task Force on Marine Mammal Protected Area 	IWC, U.S. Marine Mammal Commission,
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Table 1: Nominations for the Conference-Appointed Councillor for Aquatic Mammals

Nominations for the Conference-Appointed Councillor for Birds

For Birds, two candidates were nominated. Table 2 gives an overview in alphabetical order by last name, and the nomination letters, CVs and declarations can be found in Annex 2.

Name	Qualifications	Affiliation	Key Relevant Experience	International Policy Experience
Robert Clay	PhD in Zoology	BirdLife International	 Extensive research and policy experience Main regional focus: Latin America Member of IUCN SSC, including the Threatened Waterfowl, Flamingo and Heron Specialist Groups Member of the Cracid Specialist Group 	 present) CMS Scientific Councillor for Paraguay (2014 onwards) Chair of the Council for Waterbird Conservation in the Americas (2011 – present) Regional (Americas) representative for BirdLife International to CMS (1999-2005) and the
Stephen Garnett	PhD	Charles Darwin University, Australia	 Extensive research and teaching experience Extensive experience in the application of conservation criteria Global network of professional contacts Main regional focus: Australia, Oceania and Southeast Asia Board member, WWF Australia Committee member of several BirdLife Australia committees 	meeting of parties to the China Australia Migratory Bird Agreement in 1990 Coordinator, committee for applying the IUCN Red List Guidelines to Australian birds and preparing proposals for adoption by the IUCN and the Australian government

Table 2: Nominations for the Conference-Appointed Councillor for Birds

Annex I

Full Submissions of Nominations for the Conference-Appointed Councillor for Aquatic Mammals

Candidate: Ellen Hines

A. Cover Letter:

Dear Marco and Heidi,

Please accept this as my nomination for Ellen Hines as the councillor for aquatic mammals. I attach Ellen's acceptance declaration, her CV and her provided statement of justification.

With Regards Dr Lindsay Porter Senior Research Scientist SMRU (Hong Kong)

Please find below a statement justifying the candidature for the Conference-appointed councillor for aquatic mammals:

My research addresses population and community ecology of threatened and endangered species as related to local conservation efforts and regional scale coastal and marine management science. The emphasis is on the evolution of consistent standards of field methodology and monitoring techniques, and on the creation of educational materials that can be applied to community-based conservation planning.

Ellen Hines

B. Declaration

See next pages

C. Curriculum Vitae

See next pages



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May 18, 2014

Re: nomination for Conference-appointed councillor for aquatic mammals

Dear Scientific Council members:

Ellen Gras, PhD

Please accept this letter as a declaration of readiness to accept the appointment as a councillor for aquatic mammals if selected. Thank you for your consideration,

Ellen Hines, PhD

Professor of Geography

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Ellen Hines, PhD. Professor

Department of Geography & Environment Romberg Tiburon Center for Environmental Studies San Francisco State University

Education

Mills College, Oakland, California, B.A.

1997: M.A. San Diego State University, San Diego, California, Geography, emphasis in Natural Resource Management

2002: Ph.D. University of Victoria, BC, Canada, Geography.

Professional Experience

- 2012-present: Principal Investigator, Romburg Tiburon Center for Environmental Studies, San Francisco State University.
- 2012-present: Asst-Assoc, now Full Professor, Separated to Geographs and Human Environmental Studies, San Francisco State University.
- 2009-present: Adjunct Professor, Department of Geography (Faculty of Graduate Studies), University of Victoria, BC, Canada.
- 2007-2012: Associate Professor, Department of Geography and Human Environmental Studies, San Francisco State University.
- 1997-2001: Sessional Lecturer in GIS and Remote Sensing, Department of Geography, University of Victoria, BC, Canada.
- 1999-2000: Consultant in Marine Ecology and GIS, Axys Environmental Consulting Ltd., Sydney, BC. British Columbia Marine Ecological Classification (BCMEC) Update Project.
- 1997-1999: Land Use Coordination Office, Province of British Columbia. Marine GIS Consultant.
- 1997-1998: LGL Limited, in Sydney, British Columbia. Geographic Information Systems (GIS) consultant.
- 1996-1997: GIS Technician with National Wetlands Research Center, USGS Biological Resources Division, Lafayette, Louisiana.
- 1994-1996: U.S. Forest Service, Region 5, Forest vegetation mapping project. GIS/Remote Sensing Research Assistant. Center for Earth Systems Analysis at San Diego State University.
- 1992-1993: US Forest Service, Southern Appalachian Region, Surveying Section. Mapping Technician, Asheville, North Carolina

Publications

Books

Hines, E., Reynolds, J., Mignucci-Giannoni, A, Aragones, L.V., and M. Marmontel. 2012. *Sirenian Conservation: Issues and Strategies in Developing Countries*. Edited Volume. The University Press of Florida.

- o Hines, E. Preface
- o Ortega, A., Hines, E, and J. Calvimontes. Using interviews as a research tool.
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 Reynolds. The role of scientists in sirenian conservation in developing countries.
- o Hines, E. A framework for sirenian science and conservation in developing countries.
- Hines, E. 2011. Conservation of the Dugong along the Andaman Coast of Thailand: An Example of the Integration of Conservation and Biology in Endangered Species Research. VDM Verlag, Germany. Book Chapters
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- <u>Peer Reviewed Journals (**committee chair, *on SFSU geography committee, ***on PhD committee)</u>
- Briscoe, D.K., S. Hiatt, R. Lewison and E. Hines. Modeling habitat and bycatch risk for dugongs in Sabah, Malaysia. In Press: *Endangered Species Research*.
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- Ponnampalam, L., Hines, E., Mananansap, S., Ilangakoon, A., Junchompoo, C., Adulyanukosol, A., and L. J. Morse. 2013. Behavioral observations on Irrawaddy dolphins (*Orcaella brevirostris*) in Trat Province, Eastern Gulf of Thailand. *Aquatic Mammals* 39(4): 401-409.
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- Funayama, K**., Hines, E., Davis, J, and S. Allen. 2013. Effects of sea-level rise on northern elephant seals at Point Reyes peninsula, California. *Aquatic Conservation: Marine and Freshwater Ecosystems:* 23: 233-245.
- Keller, C.A., Garrison, L. Baumstark, R., Ward-Geiger, L.I., and E. Hines. 2012. Defining calving habitat for the North Atlantic right whale in the southeastern United States: An application of a habitat model. *Endangered Species Research* 18: 73-87.
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- Hines, E., Parsons, C., and J. Cigliano. 2011. Making marine science matter—a special issue highlighting the first International Marine Conservation Congress (Introduction). *Bulletin of Marine Science* 87(2).
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- Merrified, M.S**., Hines, E.M., Liu, X, and M.W.Beck. 2011. Building regional threat-based networks for estuaries in the western United States. PLOS ONE 6(2): e17407. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0017407
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- Dransfield, A,** E Hines, B Holzman, M. Elliot³, J. Howar, J.McGowan, N. Nur, JJahncke. Where the Whales are: Using habitat modeling to support changes in shipping regulations within National Marine Sanctuaries in Central California. Revised and resubmitted to: *Endangered Species Research*.
- Hines, E., Adulyanukosol, K., Chitewere, T., and P. Boonyanate. Historical relationships between dugongs and villagers in Thailand: a foundation for conservation planning. In Review: Ambio.
- Bushell, J. B., Adulyanukosol, K., Parr, L., Hines, E., and J. Mackie. Genetic diversity and population structure of the dugongs (*Dugong dugon*) of Thailand. In Review: *Marine Mammal Science*.
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- Vincent,**, T., Hines, E., Hung, S., Hiatt, S., and Q. Guo. Finless porpoises in Hong Kong harbor: Population distribution, habitat use and environmental planning. In Prep: *Endangered Species Research*.

Dissertation and Thesis

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Legal Briefs/Expert Testimony

On behalf of: Okinawan dugongs vs. US Department of Defense (for Earthjustice) (September 2007)

Training Manual

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Selected Professional Reports

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- Ilangakoon, A. D., Hines, E., Monanunsap, S., and Ponnampalam, L. S. 2010. Research for conservation and management of Irrawaddy dolphins (*Orcaella brevirostris*) in the Eastern Gulf of Thailand. Proceedings of the International Workshop on Conservation of the Irrawaddy Dolphin with special reference to the underwater acoustic study. 25 26 March 2010, Bhubaneswar, India.
- Proceedings of the Workshop on the Conservation of the Dugong and Seagrass Habitats in Vietnam *January 20-21, 2003, Hanoi, Vietnam* edited by Nick Cox, Tran Chinh Khuong, Ellen Hines. World Wildlife Fund, Indochina Programme, Hanoi, Vietnam.

Grants & Awards

National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC) Venture program grant:

http://www.sesync.org/ventures

- "Developing an integrated framework to model resilience of the coupled human/natural environment in tropical coastal systems", with co-PI, Dr. Rebecca Lewison (San Diego State).
- National Park Service (2013-2014), \$40,400 to use LiDAR and hyperspectral imagery to map Muir Woods National Park and Kent Canyon State Park.
- Grants (\$50,000) for the SEAMAMS conference in Malaysia in March of 2013 (Southeast Asian Marine Mammal Symposium). (Co-Chair with Dr. Louisa Ponnampalam, University of Malaya) -we have received funding from:

Ocean Park Conservation Foundation

- U.S. Marine Mammal Commission
- U.S. Humane Society
- Marisla Foundation
- Society for Conservation Biology
- Convention on Migratory Species (UNEP)
- Ocean Park Conservation Foundation: Coastal marine mammals along the eastern Gulf of Thailand: \$15,700US for 2013.
- COAST CSU Collaborative Resource Sharing Award 2012. Creating a spatially explicit risk assessment of fisheries bycatch for coastal marine mammals. \$10,000 (with Rebecca Lewison SDSU Biology).
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) (Too Big to Ignore: Global Partnership for the future of small-scale fisheries): co-investigator with Dr. Ratana Chuenpagdee (Memorial University of Newfoundland) as Principal Investigator. \$2,498,895 CDN www.toobigtoignore.net
- Ocean Park Conservation Foundation: Coastal marine mammals along the eastern Gulf of Thailand: \$13,000US for 2012.
- Indo-Pacific Cetacean Research and Conservation Fund (Australian Gov't): 2012-2014. Coastal marine mammals along the eastern Gulf of Thailand: \$49,000AUD
- COAST CSU Faculty Research Initiative Award 2011. Developing an integrated/coupled framework to model resilience in tropical coastal systems.. \$10,936 (with Rebecca Lewison SDSU Biology).
- 2011: Chair of fundraising committee for 2nd International Marine Conservation Congress (Victoria BC May 2011); grants received \$150,000US.
- 2010: Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy: \$15,000 toward the Golden Gate LiDAR Project
- 2010: Lockheed Martin: \$46,000 towards the Golden Gate LiDAR Project
- 2010-2011: The Golden Gate LiDAR Project, US Geological Survey (\$457,000US): LiDAR mapping and processing of greater San Francisco Bay Area (835 square miles) http://bss.sfsu.edu/ehines/arra_golden_gate_lidar_project.htm
- 2009-2010: Ocean Park Conservation Foundation (\$15,000US): Coastal cetaceans in eastern Thailand.
- 2007-2008: NOAA Fisheries (\$645,860US): GIS Risk Analysis on North Atlantic Right Whales in the Southeast US.
- 2007-2008: National Fish and Wildlife Federation (\$72,000US): Risk of Right Whale and Vessel Interactions in the Southeast US.
- 2008: Ocean Park Conservation Foundation (\$20,000US): Irrawaddy dolphins in eastern Thailand (winter of 2008).
- 2007: Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, Hong Kong (\$20,000 US) Distribution and conservation of dugongs and coastal cetaceans in the Myeik Islands of Myanmar (winter of 2007).
- 2007: Project Aware, Australia, (\$1000AUS) towards 2007-2008 research on Irrawaddy dolphins in eastern Thailand.
- 2005-2009: various grants through the Association to Protect Northernmost Dugong in Japan to set up community seagrass research in Okinawa. In 2007, \$5000US from the Center for Biological Diversity for the same project.
- 2005: Smithsonian Institution Marine Science Network (\$150,000). A comparison of bottlenose dolphin foraging ecology between transitional-temperate and tropical ecosystems.
- 2003-2005: National Wetlands Inventory (US Fish and Wildlife Service) (\$176,000)
- 2004-2005: Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, Hong Kong (\$8900 US): Dugongs and Irrawaddy dolphins along the eastern Gulf of Thailand.
- 2004-2005: Wildlife Conservation Society, USA (\$1000 US): Dugongs and Irrawaddy dolphins along the eastern Gulf of Thailand.
- 2003-2005: National Wetlands Inventory (US Fish and Wildlife Service) (\$128,000 US) Updating National Wetlands Inventory Digital Map Files.

- 2003-2004: Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, Hong Kong (\$13,000 US): Dugongs along the eastern Gulf of Thailand and Cambodia
- 2003-2004: Project Aware Grant (\$3000 AUS): Dugongs along the eastern Gulf of Thailand and Cambodia.
- 2003: Sirenian International (\$1000 US): Interview surveys about dugongs in the Gulf of Mannar (Sri Lanka and India).
- 2002-2003: Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, Hong Kong (\$12,000 US) Dugongs along the eastern Gulf of Thailand.
- 2002: Marine Conservation Biology Institute, Marine Mammal Gap Analysis (\$10,000 US) (Baja to Bering Initiative)
- 2002: Project Aware Micro-Project Grant (\$1000 US) Manatees in Turneffe Atoll, Belize
- 2002: Affirmative Action Faculty Development Program Award, San Francisco State University: The Reaction of Harbor Seals to the Richmond Bridge Seismic Reinforcement Project
- 2000/2001: Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, Hong Kong (\$40,000 US) Dugongs along the Andaman coast of Thailand.
- 2000: University of Victoria Derrick Sewell Graduate Scholarship 2001
- 2000: Doctoral Research Award, International Development Research Centre (\$20,000 CDN) Dugongs along the Andaman coast of Thailand
- 2000: University of Victoria President's Scholarship 2000
- 1997 to 2001: University of Victoria Graduate Fellowships

Reviews

Associate Editor for the *Journal of Environmental Studies and Science* (First volume January 2011)

Review Editor for the journal Endangered Species Research (since 2006)

Reviewed submitted manuscripts for the journals: PlosONE, Marine Mammal Science, Marine and Freshwater Research, Aquatic Mammals, Raffles Bulletin of Zoology, Conservation Biology, Biological Conservation, Prairie Perspectives, Endangered Species Research, Phuket Marine Biological Center Bulletin, Current Zoology, Applied Geography, Environmental Management, Aquatic Conservation: Marine and Freshwater Systems, Marine and Freshwater Research, Transactions in GIS, McGill International Journal of Sustainable Development Law and Policy, Journal of the Marine Biological Association of the United Kingdom, Oryx, Marine Biodiversity Records, Marine Technology Society Journal.

Nominator for the 2014 Pew Fellows Program in Marine Conservation.

Reviewer and judge: David H. Smith Conservation Research Fellowship Program 2008 -2013.

Reviewer for the NSF Geography Program and SSHRC (Canadian government research agency).

Selected Presentations

- Hines, E. Research in the Myeik Archipelago of Myanmar in 2007. To the Faculty of Sciences, Mawlamyine University, Myanmar, January 2014. Invited presentation.
- Hines, E. Coastal marine mammals, small scale fishers and bycatch. Society of Marine Mammalogy Biennial meeting, December 2013, New Zealand. Juried oral presentation.

- Hines, E. Adulyanukol, K, and P. Manitowr. Aligning Science and Policy to Conserve Dugongs and their Habitat along the Andaman Coast of Thailand, Association of Pacific Coast Geographers, September 2011, San Francisco. Juried oral presentation.
- Hines, E. Changing values of small-scale fisheries in Southeast Asia. Juried oral presentation. 2nd International Marine Conservation Congress, Victoria, BC, Canada, May 2011.
- Hines, E. Using interviews to document changing values of small-scale fishers.

 Invited plenary presentation at the World Small-Scale Fisheries Congress, Bangkok, Thailand, October 2010. See blog interview:

 http://worldsmallscalefisheries.blogspot.com/2010/10/interviewing-interviewer-chat-with.html
- Hines, E. Adulyanukol, K, and P. Manitowr. Dugong conservation issues and conservation and management update. Invited Side Event, First Official Signatory State Meeting for the Dugong, the Convention on Migratory Species. Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 4-6 October 2010. http://www.cms.int/species/dugong/meeting_of_sigs_1/pres_hines_and_adulyanukosol.pdf
- Workshop Organizer, Ecological Modeling and Marine Mammals: at Society of Marine Mammalogy Biennial meetings between 1999 and 2011. http://www.whoi.edu/sites/marinemammalmodeling
- Hines, E., S. Mananunsap, A. Ilangakoon, L. Ponnampalam, and L. Morse. Population, distribution and conservation of coastal cetaceans along the eastern Gulf coast of Thailand. Presentation at the XVII Biennial Conference on the Biology of Marine Mammals, Quebec, Canada. October, 2009. Juried.
- Hines, E., and K. Adulyanukosol. The need for marine protected areas for dugongs in Southeast Asia. In the workshop: Improving the Contribution of Marine Protected Areas to the Conservation of Sirenians (Manatees and Dugongs). International Marine Conservation Congress, Washington DC, May 19-24th, 2009. (Workshop organizer with Helene Marsh, Cynthia Taylor and Caryn Self-Sullivan). Juried.
- Hines, E., Parr, L, Mya, T.T., Kwan, D., and A. Novak. Interviews about dugongs and community conservation issues in the Myeik Archipelago of Myanmar. Poster Presentation at the XVI Biennial Conference on the Biology of Marine Mammals, Capetown, South Africa. November, 2007. and Presentation at the Fourth International Sirenian Symposium, November 27th, Capetown, SA. Juried.
- Hines, E., and H. Marsh. Community participation in GIS: An introduction to the tools, techniques, processes, and opportunities in cultural mapping with communities. Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. Townsville, QLD, Australia, September 29, 2005 Invited.

Professional and Civic Activities:

- Appointed Expert to the Pool of Experts, United Nations World Ocean Assessment (Marine Mammals)
 Smith et al chapter on marine mammals in process.
- Member, IUCN Marine Mammal Protected Area Task Force
- Convention on Migratory Species Scientific Council's Aquatic Mammals Working Group (AMWG), Invited Expert (2013)
- Fulbright Specialists Roster 2013-2018.
- Sirenian Specialist Group Expert member (IUCN Species Survival Commission) since 2005.
- Nominator for the Pew Marine Fellowship awards (2013)
- Reviewer and judge: David H. Smith Conservation Research Fellowship Program 2008 -2013.
- Reviewer for the NSF Coastal SEES Program and SSHRC (Canadian government research agency) (2012-2014).
- Society for Marine Mammalogy, since 1997,
 - o Board of Directors 2014-2016
 - o Conference Chair, 21st Biennial San Francisco 2015
 - Member of Scientific Advisory Board 1999-2005

- Society for Conservation Biology, member since 1994
 - o Asian Regional Section, Board of Directors 2013-2015.
 - o Marine Section President/SCB Board of Governors for 2006/2009 calendar years.
 - o SCB Publications & Scientific Committee Member, 2007 through present.
 - Scientific Program Committee Chair for the International Marine Conservation Congress (May 20-24, 2009 in Washington D. C. (www.conbio.org/IMCC)
 - Conference Chair for the 2nd International Marine Conservation Congress (May 14-18th, 2011 in Victoria, British Columbia).(www.conbio.org/imcc2)
- Oikonos (International Marine NGO, http://www.oikonos.org/)
 - o Scientific Advisor since 2006
- Sirenian International,
 - o Member of the Board of Directors 2004-2007.
 - o Member of Scientific Advisory Board since 2007.
- Society for Conservation GIS, since 1998

Candidate: Giuseppe Notarbartolo di Sciara

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4th June 2014

Dear Marco

Please accept this letter as a nomination of **Dr Giuseppe Notarbartolo di Sciara** for the position of **Appointed Councillor for Aquatic Mammals**. Dr Notarbartolo di Sciara is eminently qualified to carry out the duties of this position. He has indicated that he is willing to fill the role if selected. I attach his letter of confirmation and Curriculum Vitae.

Dr Notarbartolo di Sciara is an internationally recognised marine ecologist, with extensive aquatic mammal knowledge, grounded within an articulate, ecosystem approach that perfectly complements the work of the CMS Family. He is well recognised and a deeply respected leader in his field and would smoothly fill the position.

Dr Notarbartolo di Sciara obtained his PhD at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography (California) in 1985 with a thesis on the taxonomy and ecology of manta rays. In 1986 he spearheaded the creation of the Italian national cetacean stranding network, which he coordinated until 1990. He founded the Tethys Research Institute in 1986, directed this important organisation until 1997 and has recently stepped back into this role (2010). He proposed the creation of the Pelagos Sanctuary for Mediterranean Marine Mammals in 1991 and facilitated the treaty amongst Italy, France and Monaco for this Sanctuary in 1999. He served as President of the Central Institute for Applied Marine Research, supporting Italy's marine conservation policy between 1996 and 2003. He was the Commissioner/Alt. Commissioner for Italy at the International Whaling Commission between 1999 and 2003. He served as the Chair of the Scientific Committee of ACCOBAMS from 2002 to 2010 and remains a consultant to the Secretariat to this day.

Dr Notarbartolo di Sciara is currently:

- Regional Coordinator for the Mediterranean and Black Seas, IUCN WCPA Marine;
- Co-chair, IUCN Joint SSC/WCPA Task Force on Marine Mammal Protected Areas;
- Deputy Chair, IUCN Species Survival Commission Cetacean Specialist Group;
- Chair, International Relations Committee Society of Marine Mammalogy
- Member, IUCN Species Survival Commission Shark Specialist Group;
- Member, SSC Marine Conservation Sub-Committee:
- Member, Global Ocean Biodiversity Initiative (GOBI) Scientific Steering Committee;
- Coordinator, International Commission for the Scientific Exploration of the Mediterranean Task
 Force on Marine Mammals; and
- Advisor, Pew Fellows in Marine Conservation.

In addition, he teaches science and policy of marine biodiversity conservation at the University Statale of Milan and is the author of almost 150 scientific publications and several books.

He is extremely well connected, through his professional affiliations and roles, to the range of experts already involved with the CMS Scientific Council's Aquatic Mammals Working Group, as well as to many processes and bodies of core importance to the CMS Family.

He is diplomatically skilled in each of the working languages of the Scientific Council (English, French and Spanish) and is a graceful and eloquent meeting Chair.

Dr Notarbartolo di Sciara's contribution to the CMS Family through the role of Appointed Councillor for Aquatic Mammals would be profound and I nominate him with the knowledge that my recommendation will be echoed by a great many colleagues.

Yours sincerely

Margi Prideaux

Policy and Negotiations Director

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Milan, 3 June 2014

Dear Marco,

I have been informed that my name was proposed for the position of Appointed Councillor for Aquatic Mammals.

With this letter I would like to inform you that, should my nomination be accepted, I would be very happy to serve in such capacity. I have dedicated all of my professional life to issues related to the conservation of aquatic vertebrates, and mammals in particular, and contributing to the CMS Family as Appointed Councillor for Aquatic Mammals would be perfectly in tune with my intentions and aspirations.

With warm regards,

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PREFERRED JOB

Marine conservation ecologist

WORK EXPERIENCE

2010 - present President

1986 - 1997 Tethys Research Institute, Viale G.B. Gadio 2, 20121 Milano, Italy. (www.tethys.org)

Sector Marine conservation science and policy

2013 - present Member

Global Ocean Biodiversity Initiative (GOBI) Scientific Steering Committee

2012 - present Co-chair

Joint IUCN WCPA/SSC Task Force on Marine Mammal Protected Areas

2006 - present Contract Professor

University "Statale" of Milan

Course on science and policy of marine biodiversity conservation

2003 - present Member

IUCN SSC Shark Specialist Group

2003 - present Member of the Board of Advisors

Pew Fellows in Marine Conservation

2001 - present Coordinator

1992 - 1994 CIESM Task Force on Marine Mammals

2000 - present Regional Coordinator, Mediterranean and Black Sea

IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas - Marine

1991 - present Deputy Chair

IUCN SSC Cetacean Specialist Group

2002 - 2010 Chair

Scientific Committee of ACCOBAMS

1999 - 2003 Commissioner/Alternate Commissioner for Italy

International Whaling Commission



1996 - 2003 President

Istituto Centrale per la Ricerca Applicata al Mare (ICRAM)

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

1980 - 1985 PhD in Marine Biology

PhD

University of California at San Diego, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, California, USA

1975 - 1976 Laurea in Natural Sciences, cum laude

University of Parma, Italy

1969 - 1974 Laurea in Biological Sciences

University of Parma, Italy

PERSONAL SKILLS

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Mother tongue(s)

Italian

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	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	С	С	С	С	С
French	С	С	С	С	С
Spanish	С	С	С	В	В



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Curriculum Vitae

Giuseppe Notarbartolo di Sciara

Honours and awards

Knighthood in the Order of St. Charles, received from H.S.H. the Prince Albert II of Monaco on 17 November 2009, for services rendered to the Principality in my quality of Chair of the Scientific Committee of the "Agreement on the Conservation of Cetaceans of the Black Sea, Mediterranean Sea and Contiguous Atlantic Area".

Prize "Tridente d'Oro" awarded by the International Academy of Underwater Sciences and Technologies on 11 September 1993, on the island of Ustica (Italy), for activities in the field of marine science.

Career prize "Una vita per il mare" ("A life for the sea"), 10th edition, awarded in 2006 by the City Aquarium of Milano and Verdeacqua.

Candidate: Brian Smith

A. Cover Letter:

Dear Marco,

This email is to nom inate Brian Smith for the position of Appointed Councillor for Aquatic Mammals. Brian is most eminently qualified to carry out the duties of the position. I have contacted him, and he has i ndicated that he is willing to take on the job if selected (copy of email attached).

Many, if not most, of the very serious conservation threats faced by aquatic mammals, in particular the small coastal and freshwater cetaceans, are in South east and South Asia. The majority of the subpopulations cl assified as Critically Endangered in the IUCN Red List are there, in Indonesia, Laos, the Philippine's, Pakistan, and India, as well as others classified as Endangered or Near Threatened. Conservation threats also exist for other small cetaceans in the region, including in Ma laysia, Bangladesh, Nepal, Myanmar, Vietnam, Thailand, Taiwan and Cambodia. Brian has worked in the region for over 20 years, carrying out fiel desearch and training missions in Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Nepal, the Philippines and Vietnam. Much of this work has been sponsored by or carried out in collaboration with the CMS. His efforts have resulted in effective capacity building in several countries to address problems of cetacean conservation, as well as a steady stream of technical papers in peer-reviewed and popular journals.

Brian has directed the Asian Freshwater and Coastal Cetacean Program of the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) since 2001 and served in important posts in several other conservation bodies, including the IUCN Ce tacean Red List Authority , the IUCN Cetacean Specialist Group (Asian Coordinator), the Conservation Committee of the Society for Marine Mammalogy, the IUCN Marine Mammal Protected Area Task Force, the IWC Climate Change Working Group, the U.S. National Marine Fisheries Service and the CMS Aquatic Mammals W orking Group (AMWG) and served as a consultant to the, the US Marine Mammal Commission, WWF, CI and the UNESCO World Heritage Committee. In all of these functions his contributions have been significant and of the highest professional quality.

I have known and worked with Brian for ove r 20 years and can think of no one m ore qualified to take up the task of coordinating CMS' efforts to improve the conservation status of the aquatic mammals, in Africa, Latin America, and Europe as well as Asia.

Brian's CV is attached. Please let me know whether this nomination by email meets the requirements for nomination or a letter conveyed by snail mail is necessary.

Best regards,

Bill Perrin

B. Declaration

Hi Bill,

Many apologies for the delay getting back to you. I have been in the field in the Sundarbans and have been soliciting the advice of colleagues about the potential position with CMS. Although I still have some reservations and am still working to see if I might be able to get some dedicated support from WCS, I would like to accept the nomination. It is a real honor Bill. If the position is offered, I know I have some big shoes to fill and hope you will not mind if I e-mail you with some questions now and then. Please find attached a recent CV and thanks again for your confidence in nominating me for the position.

Cheers, Brian

C. Curriculum Vitae

See next pages

Curriculum Vitae for Brian Douglas Smith

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E-MAIL: bsmith@wcs.org; Skype: orcaella

EDUCATION

Master of Science, Natural Resource Management, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA. Jan 93. Teaching Credentials, Biology and Social Science, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA. June 83. Bachelor of Arts, Political Science major, Biology and Environmental Science minors, University of California San Diego, La Jolla, CA. June 81.

Brian D. Smith has directed the Wildlife Conservation Society's Asian Freshwater and Coastal Cetacean Program since 2001, and he has demonstrated leadership through more than 20 years of experience conducting cetacean research and conservation projects in countries including Bangladesh, Cambodia, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Myanmar, Nepal, the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam. Brian currently serves as the Asia Coordinator, and is a member of the Red List subgroup, of the IUCN Species Survival Commission (SSC) Cetacean Specialist Group. He is also a member of the Society for Marine Mammalogy Conservation Committee, World Commission on Protected Areas/IUCN SSC Marine Mammal Protected Area Task Force, International Whaling Commission Climate Change Working Group, and the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) Aquatic Mammal Working Group. In addition, he has served as a member of adhoc working groups and provided informal consultation to other organizations including the International Whaling Commission, U.S. Marine Mammal Commission, World Wide Fund for Nature, Conservation International, and the UNESCO World Heritage Committee.

Brian's areas of core expertise are on conducting robust, locally-tailored population and ecological assessments of freshwater and coastal cetaceans; developing and executing science-based, stakeholder-informed conservation plans with an emphasis on establishing marine mammal protected areas; investigating the impacts of climate change on cetacean populations in rivers and submarine canyon waters; working with local fishing communities to assess and reduce cetacean mortalities from entanglement in fishing gears, particularly gillnets; defining population units for focal conservation attention using information on genetics, morphometrics, and geographic/demographic isolation; and conducting interactive training for local scientists, resource managers and university students on cetacean assessment and monitoring techniques.

Brian's achievements in Asia include conducting pioneering assessments of cetaceans in numerous previously un-surveyed rivers and coastal waters; leading successful efforts to establish protected areas for freshwater dolphins in the Ayeyarwady River, Myanmar, and Sundarbans mangrove forest, Bangladesh; discovering the world's largest population of Irrawaddy dolphins in the northern Bay of Bengal; documenting a biologically/culturally unique human-dolphin cooperative fishery practiced by Irrawaddy dolphins and cast-net fishermen; and publishing original studies and reviews on the impacts of dam construction and climate change on freshwater-dependent cetaceans and associated biodiversity. Brian has also demonstrated a strong commitment to capacity building while supervising and mentoring local university students to complete their Master's and Ph.D. dissertations on cetacean related topics, and post-graduates to successfully apply for and complete fellowships with the Conservation Leadership Program and Zoological Society of London.

Before 2001, Brian worked as an independent cetacean biologist/conservationist in Asia and as a team leader on several large-scale, international cetacean research projects of the U.S. National Marine Fisheries Service. He has also worked as a high school biology teacher, outdoor education instructor, and beach lifeguard.

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Annex II

Full Submissions of Nominations for the Conference-Appointed Councillor for Birds

Candidate: Robert Clay

A. Cover Letter:

Dear Marco

Further to your note below, I write to nom inate Dr Robert Clay for consideration as COP-appointed Scientific Councillor for birds.

Dr Clay has been closely i nvolved with CMS and m igratory bird conservation for at least the last 15 years. He has a comprehensive grasp of flyway conservation issues and extensive experience of working with migratory bird initiatives in the Americas and, through BirdLife International and the IUCN Species Survival Commission, across the world.

Currently Dr Clay is director of the Executive Office of the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network and Chair for Waterbird Conservation for the Americas. He is a member of the Americas working group of the Arctic Migratory Bird Initiative, a member of the CMS Flyways Working Group and Councillor for Paraguay. From 1996 to 2006, he was BirdLife's regional representative for the Americas to CMS.

Dr Clay combines excellent scientific skills in ornithology with a strong track record of taking forward practical conservation—advocacy and action, especially workin—g through regional flyways m—echanisms—and through CMS. In his recent work at BirdLife International he led identification of Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas (IBAs) in the Am ericas, developed conservation programs for grassland, m—igratory and globally threatened birds, and was instrumental—in building the Southern Cone Grasslands Alliance, which is help ing to implement the CMS Migratory Grasslands Birds MoU Action Plan. Most recently h—e completed a review—of migratory bird initiatives in the Americas to support the development of the WHMSI/CMS 'Flyways of the Americas' framework.

Dr Clay is very f amiliar with CMS institutions and processes. Having worked with him closely for over a d ecade, I can affirm he has the organ isational and diplomatic skills, the commitment and the technical understanding to be an outstanding appointed Councillor.

Attached are Dr Clay's CV and a statement of readiness to accept the appointment if selected, with confirmation of institutional support.

Best wishes

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CMS Appointed Scientific Councillor for Birds

B. Declaration

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C. Curriculum Vitae

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05 June 2014

Ref: Declaration of Readiness to Accept Appointment

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to confirm my readiness to accept appointment as the CMS COP-appointed councillor for birds for the next term (2015-2017), if that be the wish of the 11th Conference of the Parties.

I have had the opportunity to work closely with CMS since 1998, initially as part of a team of regional CMS leads within BirdLife International, and more recently as a member of the CMS Flyways Working Group and as Scientific Councilor for Paraguay. I also played a lead role in the Western Hemisphere Migratory Species Initiative working group that developed the "Flyways of the Americas" framework in response to CMS Resolution 10.10.

My current job, as Director of the Executive Office of the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (WHSRN) is focused on the conservation of migratory shorebirds throughout their ranges and lifecycles, and my employer, the Manomet Center for Conservation Sciences, has confirmed its support for me if I were to be appointed as CMS councilor for birds.

Yours faithfully,

Rob P. Clay, Ph.D

ROBERT P. CLAY, PH.D

Curriculum Vitae: March 2014

Personal Details

Date of Birth: 31 July 1972 (Portsmouth, Hampshire, U.K.)

Nationality: British

Civil Status: Married (with three children)

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Graduate Education

Ph.D (2001), Master of Arts (1997)

Large Animal Research Group, Department of Zoology, University of Cambridge, U.K. Ph.D thesis: "Correlates of male status in the Long-tailed Manakin *Chiroxiphia linearis* (Aves: Pipridae)". Supervisor: Prof. T. Clutton-Brock.

Undergraduate Education

Downing College, University of Cambridge: Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Zoology (Cantab) 1990-1993; Downing College Scholar (1991, 1992).

Employment History

Nov 2005 – present

Senior Conservation Manager, Americas Secretariat, BirdLife International

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As Senior Conservation Manager for BirdLife in the Americas I oversee the management, development and fundraising for BirdLife's conservation program throughout the Americas, with a current focus on migratory birds, grassland birds and globally threatened birds. Responsibilities include supporting the network of BirdLife partner organizations to implement conservation actions for priority sites and species, building collaborative projects between partners, and managing existing and developing new donor relationships. In recent years, I have primarily focused on "mainstreaming" of biodiversity conservation into the productive landscape, since 2007 leading the "Southern Cone Grasslands Alliance", an innovative joint venture approach between natural grassland ranchers, conservationists and government agencies. From 2005-2009 I led the Important Bird Areas program in the Americas, facilitating the completion of a hemispheric-wide IBA Inventory, supporting the BirdLife partnership to develop strategies for prioritizing IBAs, and assisting partners to fundraise for and implement conservation actions.

June 2000 – *October* 2005

Head of Research and Planning, Guyra Paraguay, Paraguay.

As Guyra Paraguay's head of research and planning, my tasks included the identification

of conservation priorities, strategic planning, proposal development, project management, monitoring and evaluation, the maintenance of high quality research and the timely reporting of results and progress to donors.

May - June 2003, April - May 2000, April 1994 - February 1995

Threatened Species Researcher, BirdLife International, Cambridge

Assessment of threat status, and author/editor of threatened species texts for the publications "Threatened Birds of the World" (2004 and 2000) and "Birds to Watch II" (1994)

September 1998 - March 2000

Scientific Coordinator, Guyra Paraguay

Coordination and implementation of Guyra Paraguay's conservation research projects.

December 1996 – February 1998

Department of Investigation and Evaluation of Natural Resources, Fundación Moisés Bertoni. Identification and evaluation of conservation priorities in Paraguay, and support for the creation of Guyra Paraguay.

Honorary Roles

- Member of CMS Flyways Working Group (2013-present), and CMS Scientific Councillor for Paraguay (2014 onwards)
- Chair of the Council for Waterbird Conservation in the Americas (2011-present)
- Member of the Hemispheric Council of the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (2010-present)
- Vice-president of the Heron Specialist Group (Heron Conservation) (2011-present)
- Member of Advisory Council for Rare "Reciprocal Water Agreements and Pride Campaigns" initiative in Latin America (2012-present)
- Regional (Americas) representative for BirdLife International to the Convention on Migratory Species (the Bonn Convention; 1999-2005) and the Ramsar Convention (2005-2006).
- Member of the Interim Steering Committee for the Western Hemisphere Migratory Species Initiative (2003-2008).

Additional professional experience

- Member of IUCN Species Survival Commission, including the Threatened Waterfowl, Flamingo and Heron Specialist Groups. Member of the Cracid Specialist Group.
- National Coordinator (in Paraguay) of Neotropical Waterbird Census, 2001-2005.
- Council member of the Neotropical Bird Club (2007-present).
- Peer review of articles for publication in Austral Ornithology, Bird Conservation International, Brazilian Journal of Ornithology, Bulletin British Ornithologists' Club, Cotinga, El Hornero, Ibis, Oryx and Wilson Bulletin.
- Former member of editorial committees for Cotinga and CSB Conservation Publications.

Specialized Training

- Bioinformatics, NBII/USGS and ICE. Asunción, Paraguay, 26-28 April 2004.
- Ecoregional Planning, TNC. Buenos Aires, Argentina, 14-16 January 2004.
- Proposal development, scientific publishing and biostatistics, NFWF, Termas de Puyehue, Chile, 3-5 October 2003.
- Ecoregional Planning (for the Pantanal), TNC-Paraguay. San Bernadino, Paraguay, 8-10 May 2002.
- Training for Trainers in Site Conservation Planning, TNC-Ecuador. Quito, Ecuador, 18-22 March 2002.

Research Experience

- Led and participated in multiple biodiversity research projects in Paraguay, from 1998 to 2005.
- Co-Principal Investigator of Earthwatch "Dancing Birds" project, Monteverde, Costa Rica, 1995-1999.
- Principal field investigator, Smithsonian Institution Lab of Molecular Systematics *Manacus* hybrid zone project 1995-97.
- Led and participated in five student conservation projects (three in Paraguay, two in Ecuador, 1992-1997).

Other Attributes

- Fluent in English and Spanish, basic understanding of Portuguese and French.
- Computer literate.
- Extensive mist-netting experience in the Neotropics, handling > 4,000 birds (including permit for banding shorebirds with USFWS bands in southern South America).
- Experience with a variety of quantitative avian census techniques

Publications

Over seventy contributions concerning Neotropical ornithology and conservation published in scientific and conservation journals and as book chapters. Author of four shorebird conservation plans (American Golden Plover, American Oystercatcher, Lesser Yellowlegs, Wilson's Phalarope). Edited six books on Paraguayan birds including the first field guide (in Spanish) to all Paraguayan birds. Author and editor of the Americas IBA directory, identifying 2345 priority sites for bird conservation in the Americas. Details available on request.

Technical Presentations

Over fifty papers presented in regional and global meetings and conferences. Details available on request.

Referees

Available on request.

Candidate: Stephen Garnett

A. Cover Letter:

Dear Marco

Australia appreciates the opportunity to nominate a suitable expert for the position of COP-Appointed Councillor for Birds. We believe that COP-Appointed Councillors play a very important role in the Convention through their support of the work of both the Scientific Council and the Conference of Parties.

It is im portant that COP-Appoi nted Councillors provide continuity to the Convention's work program through their longevity, and it is disappointing that the last representative from Birdlife International is leaving the position after less than one full COP cycle. Australia has looked carefully at the position for the COP-Appointed Councillor for Birds, as we recognise the interest and importance of that position due to the magnitude of species it covers.

Australia is pleased to nominate Professor Stephen Garnett for the position of COP-Appointed Councillor for Birds. Professor Garnett has ex tensive experience with migratory birds over several d ecades through both species and project assessments, policy development, research and advice provision. He is eminently suitable for the position, and would bring with him an extens ive range of experience, appropriate for such a position.

Please find attached Professor Garnett's just ification for nomination, CV and letter of willingness. We have also received a letter of support for his nom ination from the CoP-Appointed Councillor for Bycatch, Mr Barr y Baker. This is attached for your information.

Please let m e know if you r equire any further infor mation, or supporting documentation, at this stage.

Kind regards – Narelle

Narelle Montgomery
CMS Scientific Councillor for Australia

B. Declaration

See next pages

C. Curriculum Vitae

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D. Justification

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E. Letter of Support

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23 May 2013

Dear Ms Montomery

RE: COP-Appointed Scientific Councillor for Birds with the CMS

This letter is to confirm that, should I be selected, I would be willing to act as the Scientific Councillor for Birds with the Convention on Migratory Species. In so doing I undertake to fulfill all the tasks set out in the Indicative ToR for COP-Appointed Scientific Councillors including contributing to the work of the Scientific Council, participating in all meetings of the CMS Scientific Council and acting as Chair of the relevant bird working group, if applicable, and, if requested, participating in Meetings of the Conference of the Parties.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Garnett

Professor of Conservation and Sustainable Livelihoods



Curriculum vitae: Stephen Garnett

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Qualifications PhD. James Cook University 1984

BSc (Hons) Australian National University 1977

Languages English

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2011- Professor of Conservation and Sustainable Livelihoods, Research Institute for the Environment and Livelihoods, Charles Darwin University

My current role is to develop and expand a high level research portfolio in any field related to the Institute, building on existing research projects, with an emphasis on Conservation and Sustainable Livelihoods. These include developing new research projects as required as well as applying for other competitive research funding and publishing extensively in high impact journals. I also supervise up to 20 postgraduate students at a time and undertake contract work as required. I work across a range of disciplines conserving conservation and the sustainable use of natural resources.

2008-2010 Director (Academic Level E), School for Environmental Research, Institute of Advanced Studies, Charles Darwin University

The School for Environmental Research undertook integrated biophysical, social and economic research with a focus on tropical and desert environments in Northern Australia and in similar climatic regions globally, with emphasis on south-east Asia. The school aimed to balance conservation and development outcomes, thereby enhancing human well-being through responsible natural resource management. The school had three inter-related themes: Wildlife and Landscape Science, Aquatic Ecosystems and Water Resources and Livelihoods and Policy. My role was to balance the needs of the three themes, maintain a

diverse and active staffing profile, attract postgraduate students and manage a budget of about \$3 million per year. I also remained research active and supervised postgraduate students at any one time on a range of subjects relating to all themes of the school.

2004-2008 Professor of Tropical Knowledge (Academic Level E), Institute of Advanced Studies, Charles Darwin University

In this diverse role I was responsible for gathering the knowledge required to live sustainably in the tropics. This required integrating research from a range of fields and collaborating broadly with researchers both within the university and elsewhere. I divided the role between schools for Environmental Research and Social and Policy Research. The research aimed to provide practical solutions to issues facing tropical societies. I also administered about 30 research staff and students and associated budgets. I also mentored a group of Australian Indigenous researchers.

1998-2004 Senior Principal Conservation Officer, Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service of the Queensland Environmental protection Agency

This role involved managing conservation services including managing agency research and providing advice on property acquisitions for protected areas and scientific permit approvals. I supervised a Threatened Species and Communities Unit, Centre for Tropical Restoration, Wildlife Research and Management Unit and Extension Services. I supervised 25 to 40 full time staff and up to 20 casual staff, undertook tropical threatened species research and management, revised the national Action Plan for Australian Birds and reviewed trends in Australian birds for a national audit. On sabbatical leave I in 2002, I also analysed national and international threatened species data with researchers at Cambridge University and Birdlife International, a collaboration that persists to this day. I was also an adjunct Associate Professor at School of Tropical Biology, James Cook University, using the role to examine the governance of environmental risk assessment and deliver guest lectures in conservation biology, tropical biology and avian ecology.

1992-1997 Contract research and conservation management of threatened birds

In these five years I was contracted to undertake research on the Kangaroo Island Glossy Black-Cockatoo and Golden-shouldered Parrot, most of which was field work with communities. Both projects successfully reversed or slowed declines in the taxa concerned.

1985-1992 Biological consultant and freelance journalist

In this period I prepared the first Action Plan for Australian Birds, represented the Royal Australasian Ornithologists Union at the first meeting of the China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement, worked on goat ecology with the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations on small Pacific Island countries, on crocodile farming in the Northern Territory, on Newcastle Disease Virus in migratory birds, surveyed migratory shorebirds in north-east Australia, organised a project on Palm Cockatoos in Papua New Guinea, edited the Journal of the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science, sub-edited the Movements and Food section of the Handbook of Australian, New Zealand and Antarctic Birds and ran a private tourism business.

Professional contributions

Coordinator, Threatened Species Committee, Birds Australia 2003-

Associate Editor, Biodiversity and Conservation 2004-

Associate Editor, Bird Conservation International 2004-

Reader in Social, Behavioural and Economic Sciences, Australian Research Council 2005-

Governor, World Wide Fund for Nature Australia 2006-

Board, Parrot Society of Australia Trust Fund 2011-

Chair, Threatened Species Committee, Australasian Bird Fair 2014-

Emu, Advisory Board 1999-2005

Coordinator, Important Bird Areas of Australia Committee, Birds Australia 2003-2008
Board Member, Society for Conservation Biology (Oceania Section) 2011-2014
Member, BirdLife International Pacific Important Bird Area Technical Committee 2007-2012

Member, Scientific Advisory Committee, World Parrot Trust 1997-2011

AWARDS

2012: Charles Darwin University Vice-Chancellor's Award for Exceptional Performance in Research

2012: Northern Territory Chief Minister's Award for Research and Innovation

2012: Northern Territory Tropical Knowledge Research Award

2012: Highly Commended Award Winner at the Literati Network Awards for Excellence 2012 for "Indigenous wildlife enterprise: mustering swamp buffalo (*Bubalus bubalis*) in northern Australia" published in the *Journal of Enterprising Communities: People and Places in the Global Economy*. (with B.Austin)

2008: D.L.Serventy Medal for Ornithological Research 2008 (with G.M.Crowley)

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Apart from this breadth of professional experience, Prof.Garnett would bring to the position of COP-Appointed Scientific Councillor for Birds the following:

Extensive experience in the application of conservation criteria: Since 1990 Prof. Garnett has reviewed the status of all of Australia's birds on three occasions using the various iterations of the IUCN Red List criteria¹. In 2003 he established the BirdLife Australia Threatened Species Committee which is acknowledged by BirdLife International as the best example of an in-country red listing committee. Apart from his comprehensive action plans for Australian birds, Prof. Garnett was also instrumental in developing expert elicitation techniques for the determination of status under conditions of uncertainty and political contestation², an approach now being applied by the Australian Government for contentious cases.

A strong understanding of the issues facing migratory birds: Prof. Garnett represented BirdLife Australia at the first meeting of parties to the China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement and has continued to provide advice to the Australian Government on species appropriate for listing under Australia's bilateral agreements. He has published research on bird migration along both Australia's major passerine bird flyways (Torres and Bass Straits), has worked professionally in most countries of Oceania and south-east Asia and currently has students and projects in seven of these countries as well as in Ecuador, South America. He currently has students working on migratory cranes in Cambodia, Vietnam and Australia and another on migratory shorebirds of the East Asian/Australasian flyway.

A deep appreciation of the major threats to migratory birds, particularly climate change, as well as the human social environment with which migratory birds have to negotiate. Prof. Garnett's Climate Change Adaptation Plan for Australian Birds³ is the first comprehensive review of climate change impacts and strategies for managing them produced for any continent and he has also published extensively on the livelihood strategies of local and Indigenous peoples.

A global network of professional contacts. Over the last 10 years Prof. Garnett has worked and published with over 300 researchers from over 50 countries, including with members of all major conservation NGOs. He is a Board member of WWF Australia, has served on several BirdLife Australia committees and is an editor of two professional journals.

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Skills relevant to ToR for COP-Appointed Scientific Councillors

Contribute to the work of the Scientific Council (ScC) by helping to:

* Identify and formulate proposals/recommendations to address the conservation of migratory species, notably in the taxonomic group of his competence, in this case, birds:

This task will require practical experience in conservation management at local, regional and international levels if proposals are to result in on-ground change. Professor Garnett has worked in the field of conservation management for three decades, including representing BirdLife Australia at the first meeting of parties to the China Australia Migratory Bird Agreement in 1990. He has also provided recommendations for the conservation of all threatened Australian bird taxa on three occasions (1992, 2000 and 2010) and has worked on field projects that have generated positive conservation outcomes. His experience working in a government agency has ensured he is aware of the administrative environment within which proposals and recommendations need to be negotiated. His research has also considered migratory species in the East Asian/Australasian flyway as well as the smaller Australian flyways of Torres Strait and Bass Strait and he currently supervises one student working on migratory bird species in Cambodia and Vietnam and another on the shorebirds using the East Asian/Australasian flyway.

* Collaborate with the Secretariat and Chair of the Scientific Council on the implementation of COP decisions and items in the ScC work programme relating to birds:

Prof. Garnett has worked extensively with government officers in Australia to ensure the application of collectively agreed policies. He thus has the capacity to work collaboratively to translate the COP decisions into actions by CMS signatory countries.

* Identify species for potential inclusion in CMS Appendices, and where appropriate assist in the drafting of proposals to amend the CMS Appendices for the Council's consideration:

Since 2003 Prof. Garnett has been coordinating a committee with responsibility for applying the IUCN Red List Guidelines to Australian birds, ensuring standards of proof and the management of uncertainty align with those applied internationally, and preparing proposals for adoption by the IUCN and the Australian government. He is thus experienced with rigorous application of criteria to species based on the available, often incomplete, data. He has also been providing advice to the Australian Government on species to include on bilateral migratory bird agreements with neighbouring countries.

* Advise the Secretariat on the suitability of project proposals to be funded through the Small Grant Programme of CMS, and the technical evaluation of the outputs of the approved projects, notably for the taxonomic group/geographic region/cross-cutting issue of his/her competence:

Prof. Garnett has been managing research budgets since 1995 and currently sits on the boards of two committees whose role is to decide the funding of small grants for threatened species.

* Identify species listed in CMS Appendices for possible designation for Concerted (Appendix I) or Cooperative (Appendix II) actions by the Conference of the Parties (COP):

As noted, Prof. Garnett has extensive experience in the rigorous application of conservation criteria where information is scarce and often uncertain.

* Stimulate the development and implementation of concerted/ cooperative actions for particular species:

Prof. Garnett has developed numerous proposals for both conservation and research and seen them through to completion. His experience both in the field and in administration ensures that proposed actions are well-grounded in the political and social context in which they are to be applied.

* Report to the Council on progress in the design and implementation of Concerted/Cooperative actions for species for which he was possibly identified as focal point within the Council, or facilitate preparation of reports by other species focal points; recommend the closure of Concerted/Cooperative actions where appropriate:

Prof. Garnett is experienced in project and research management and implementation for which regular

concise but clear reporting is a necessity.

* Review and contribute to the elaboration and regular update of reports on the status of selected CMS Appendix species, or facilitate preparation of reports by other species focal points:

As noted, since 2003 Prof. Garnett has run a Threatened Species Committee for BirdLife Australia that is considered by BirdLife International to be an example of how to do in-country Red Listing. This committee regularly reviews the status of all listed birds and makes recommendations for changes in status to the IUCN and government.

* Report to the Council on progress in the work of other organizations for which he/she was possibly identified as focal point within the Council;

As noted, timely reporting is an essential component of much that Prof. Garnett undertakes.

* Participate in ad hoc working groups established within the Council to address specific issues.

Prof. Garnett will happily contribute to such committees

* Participate in meetings of the CMS Scientific Council (with coverage by CMS of travel and subsistence expenses, if necessary) - Normally two meetings in a three year period- and act as Chair of the relevant taxonomic or thematic working group, if applicable:

Prof. Garnett has many decades experience chairing committees and ensuring they produce useful outcomes in a timely manner.

* Upon request, participate in Meetings of the Conference of the Parties (with coverage by CMS of travel and subsistence expenses, if necessary) - Normally one meeting every three years:

Prof. Garnett regularly travels as part of his role in international research collaborations and has guaranteed to attend all meetings as part of this role.



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Dear Narelle

I am writing in support of the Australian Government's nomination of Professor Stephen Garnett to the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) as Conference-Appointed Scientific Councillor for Birds.

I have known Stephen for 40 years as an ornithologist and have served with him on several committees with BirdLife Australia. In particular I have served, since its inception in 2003, on the BirdLife Australia Threatened Species Committee. This committee has provided consistent and comprehensive advice on changes to the status of Australia's birds for over a decade. Professor Garnett has been a most effective coordinator of the committee, sometimes needing to negotiate agreements on contested status from diverse players. I would like to commend in particular the expert elicitation procedure he developed with risk assessment professionals (McBride et al. doi 10.1111/j.2041-210X.2012.00221.x). This has proved most useful in my own work and I can envisage it having great relevance to the Convention on Migratory Species where decisions have to be made on the advice of experts where facts are disputed and uncertain. Professor Garnett's ability to facilitate the expert elicitation process should be particularly useful to the Scientific Council and the Conference of Parties.

Professor Garnett's professional productivity speaks for itself. His action plans for Australian birds have proved most valuable to conservation in this country over several decades while his on-ground research has led to lasting conservation gains. The recently published Climate Change Action Plan for Australian birds is a world first and demonstrates a deep appreciation of the threats posed by climate change to birds. His networks, both nationally and with many international researchers, will also help ensure that he obtains the best advice on potential changes to the CMS schedules and that the COP decisions are translated into local action. Of particular relevance to the CMS is that his networks are particularly strong in East Asia where threats to migratory birds are currently most intense as remaining habitat is developed. Professor Garnett also has extensive experience in the development of project proposals, in project management and in the selection of projects for funding, all of which will be helpful to CMS processes.

In conclusion I am delighted that Professor Garnett is happy for his name to be put forward for the role of Councillor for Birds by the Australian Government. I think he would do an excellent job and very much hope that the CMS see fit to appoint him.

Yours sincerely

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Annex III

Indicative ToR for COP-Appointed Scientific Councillors

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 - Collaborate with the Secretariat and Chair of the Scientific Council on the implementation of COP decisions and item s in the ScC work programme relating to the taxonom ic group/geographic regi on/cross-cutting issue of his/her competence;
 - Identify species for potential inclusion in CMS Appendices, and where appropriate assist in the drafting of proposals to am end the CMS Appendices for the Council's consideration;
 - Advise the Secretariat on the suitability of project proposals to be funded through the Small Grant Programme of CMS, and the technical evaluation of the outputs of the approved projects, notably for the taxonomic group/geographic region/crosscutting issue of his/her competence;
 - Identify species listed in CMS Appendi ces for possible designation for Concerted (Appendix I) or Cooperative (Appendix II) actions by the Conference of the Parties (COP);
 - Stimulate the development and im plementation of concerted/cooperative actions for particular species;
 - Report to the Council on progress in the design and im plementation of Concerted/Cooperative actions for sp ecies for which he/she was possibly identified as focal point within the C ouncil, or facilitate preparation of reports by other species focal points; recom mend the closure of Concerted/Cooperative actions where appropriate;
 - Review and contribute to the elaborat ion and regular update of reports on the status of selected CMS Appendix species, or facilitate preparation of reports by other species focal points;
 - Report to the Council on progress in the work of other organizations f or which he/she was possibly identified as focal point within the Council; and
 - Participate in ad hoc working groups established within the Council to address specific issue
- Participate in meetings of the CMS Scie ntific Council (with coverage by CMS of travel and subsistence expenses, if necessary) - Normally two meetings in a three year period- and act as Chair of the relevant taxonom ic or them atic working group, if applicable.
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