

ADDENDUM 1
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SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS
(arising from ScC-SC6)

FLYWAYS

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RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP14

The ScC-SC6 recommends to the COP to adopt the draft resolution and decisions, considering the suggested changes below.

GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT

The avian working group mentioned the issue of sub-regional flyways, such as in the case of the Turtle dove migration in between the Arabian Peninsula and Africa, and the need to consider this within this document

COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION

- Page 14, operative para 15. of the draft resolution: addreference to the Raptors MOU, as following:
 “Urges Parties, invites Range States and calls upon other partners and stakeholders, including the private sector, through formal designations and voluntary measures as appropriate, to afford high priority to the conservation of sites and habitats identified as being of importance to migratory birds (based on sound scientific information) expanding and strengthening existing flyway site networks (including inter alia the East Asian[1]Australasian Flyway Site Network, Raptors MOU site network (Table 3), African-Eurasian Waterbirds Agreement Site Network, Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network, West/Central Asian Site Network, Emerald Network, Ramsar Sites and World Heritage Sites, BirdLife International’s Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas), and to carry out work to determine how best to manage landscapes, including the designation of protected trans-boundary habitat corridors and ecological networks with suitable and sufficient habitat in which to breed, forage and rest;”
- Page 14, operative para 15. of draft resolution:
 to add suggested text in paragraph at the end, with a reference to the African- Eurasian Bird Migration Atlas as follows:
 “to this end, make active use of the information and analytical modules offered by the African-Eurasian Bird Migration atlas also to better understand the role of existing networks of protected areas at the species/population flyway scale and to contribute to identify gaps in these networks;”

- Page15, operative paragraph 21. of the draft resolution; add suggested text as following :
“Requests Parties to support analyses of existing datasets on individual bird movements, ~~and~~ to support the development and use of new tools and techniques, including geolocators, radio and satellite tracking, remote sensing, and genetic and connectivity analyses, in order to help identify migration strategies, and important sites and routes, whether of regular or occasional importance covering the entire life cycle of species, and to compile and analyse multi-species datasets to understand relative importance and geographical distribution of threats;”
- Page15, operative paragraph 21. of draft resolution: suggested deletion of the current last sentence of the para: “[...], and including the routes taken via sites ranging from those used most regularly to those of occasional importance;”