

Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS)



Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme

CMS Outreach Workshop for the Pacific

5 March 2007 Apia, Samoa

Agenda

Presentations are not expected to exceed 15 minutes and will be followed by a Question and Answer session

Morning session (9:00-12:30)

- Prayer
- Welcoming remarks: (Asterio Takesy, Director, SPREP)
- **Opening speech**: (Samoa Minister of Environment)
- **Opening remarks**: (Paola Deda, Inter-Agency Liaison Officer, CMS Secretariat)
- Main features of CMS
 - Origins and mandate
 - Highlights on the Convention's text
 - o Bodies established under the Convention and their work
 - Secretariat
 - o Parties

(Robert Vagg, Consultant, CMS Secretariat)

• Current work of CMS

- Strategic issues for the next triennium
- Projects and initiatives
- o Scientific work
- Outreach and capacity building
- Partnerships with NGOs and the private sector

(Paola Deda, Inter-Agency Liaison officer, CMS Secretariat)

• Agreements

- Overview of existing agreements
- New Agreement and MoUs
- (Lyle Glowka, Agreements Officer, CMS Secretariat)

• CMS and the Pacific

- Importance of migratory species in the Pacific Region: threats, needs and actions
- The CMS and SPREP Partnership
- (Lui Bell, Maine Species Officer, SPREP Secretariat)

• CMS and the implementation of the CBD programme of work on island biodiversity (*Paola Deda, Inter-Agency Liaison Officer, CMS Secretariat*)

• A focus on cetaceans

- CMS Scientific Work (Bill Perrin, CMS Scientific Council Appointed Counsellor)
- Cetacean agreements under CMS (Lyle Glowka, Agreements Officer, CMS Secretariat)
- A promising cetacean agreement: the case of ACCOBAMS (*Giuseppe Notarbartolo di Sciara, Chairman of ACCOBAMS' Scientific Committee*)
- A successful partnership: CMS and WDCS (Margi Prideaux, CMS Coordinator, WDCS)
- Worth joining CMS? Some guidance on how to proceed (*Presentation and panel, CMS Secretariat*)

Early evening

• Kick-off to the 2007 Year of the Dolphin campaign in the Pacific Islands Region.

Please note that information materials will be made available to participants during the workshop. CMS staff members will be available to participants for bilateral meetings throughout the week.





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