



## NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

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CONCERNING:

Master's course on Management and Conservation  
of Species in Trade: the International Framework

1. The Secretariat is pleased to circulate the information below at the request of the Management Authority of Spain.
2. The International University of Andalusia is organizing the 12th edition of its Master's course on *Management and Conservation of Species in Trade: the International Framework*.
3. In the 11 previous courses, 277 students from 76 countries have received specialized training on Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) and on the current issues related to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity. The general objective of this study programme is *to provide* high-quality, specialised training in the scientific bases, techniques and instruments required to facilitate implementation and development of CITES.
4. This present study programme comprises a total of 60 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) credits equivalent to 1,500 hours: 44 credits for in classroom learning and 16 credits for the preparation of the final Master's thesis. The course is structured as follows:
  - a) Classroom stage (presence required) refers to the contents of eleven subjects (clustered into five sections).
  - b) Research stage (presence not required) in which students will perform research tasks in preparation for the final Master's thesis.
5. The on-campus phase, will be held at the:

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6. The attached documents (available in English only) contain detailed information on the Master's course and the requisite application forms.

7. The Master's course is open to 30 graduate students with university degrees. **The deadline for Pr-registration phase is 1st December 2015. Enrolment period is open up to 15 January 2016** (subject to availability).
8. Parties are encouraged to present candidates to the 12th edition of the Master's course to continue strengthening their national capacity to more effectively implement the Convention more effectively.