



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

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CONCERNING:

Enhancements made on the CITES website

1. As you may have already noticed, some changes have been made to the CITES Website (<http://cites.org>). The Secretariat would like to inform Parties of the main enhancements:
 - a) Country profile page: a new feature has been developed to compile all information related to implementation and compliance by each Party to the Convention. This is available under the menu item Discover CITES > Parties > Country profiles.
 - b) Improved accessibility: the CITES website is now available in a mobile-friendly format. It also gives users a choice to switch to a “dark mode” that reduces strain on the eyes.
 - c) Design changes: the upgrading of the Content Management System resulted in some minor layout and design changes.
2. These modifications are intended as part of the continued effort in the Secretariat’s effort to improve the availability and accessibility of information related to the Convention on the internet. The basic structure of the website has not changed.
3. The Secretariat is grateful to the European Union for the financial contribution that has made possible the development of the country profile feature.
4. The Secretariat would appreciate receiving feedback from you regarding the changes made, particularly regarding the country profile page, noting that some fine-tuning and additional features are still to be implemented. If you find any errors or malfunctions, or if you have any questions regarding the new functionalities, please contact Ms. Vanamalakshmi Dhalladoo (vanam.dhalladoo@cites.org) with a copy to Ms. Haruko Okusu, Chief, Outreach and Projects Unit (haruko.okusu@cites.org).