



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

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CONCERNING:

CHINA

Seminar on Wildlife Conservation and CITES Implementation
for the Developing Countries

1. This notification is published at the request of China.
2. China is organizing an online *Seminar on Wildlife Conservation and CITES Implementation* from 6 to 19 June 2023. The organizer of the seminar is the China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC) of China. The capacity of the seminar is 25 participants from developing countries. The detailed information about the programme can be found in Annex 1 to this Notification.
- 3 Parties are requested to send the relevant information of qualified candidates directly to the organizers, using the registration form in Annex 2:

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4. Parties are advised to submit the application by **22 May 2023**.

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for the Developing Countries
Program Description**

Name	Seminar on Wildlife Conservation and CITES Implementation for the Developing Countries		
Organizer	China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC)		
Time	June 6 th -June 19 th , 2023	Language	English
Countries to be invited	the developing countries	Number of Participants	25
Purpose	This seminar aims to 1) widely publicize the achievements and specific practices of the Chinese government in wildlife conservation and CITES implementation, 2) build wildlife conservation and CITES implementation platform and communication and dialogue mechanism, enhance information sharing and in-depth cooperation, 3) understand the needs and concerns of the developing countries, enhance the dialogue and cooperation mechanism, optimize the good environment for the legal import and export of wildlife resources, and serve the overall situation of international development and ecological construction.		
Requirements for Participants	Professional Background	Government officials, scientists and technicians working for CITES implementation management authority and other wildlife conservation administrations, as well as in departments of tourism, environmental protection etc. in the developing countries are to be invited.	
	Age	Not exceed the statutory retirement age in participant's own country	
	Health Condition	Be in good health and capable of attending online courses as scheduled	
	Language Proficiency	Fluent in English (listening, reading, speaking and writing)	
	Others	Be able to download and access VooV Meeting in computer or mobile device	
Training Content	<p>Commissioned by the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China (MOFCOM), Wildlife Conservation and CITES Implementation for the Developing Countries will be held online by China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC) from June 6th to June 19th, 2023. This seminar provides a series of lectures, discussion sessions. Renowned scholars from top forestry universities, research institutes, CITES Management Authority of China will be invited to give presentations.</p> <p>The lectures cover a broad spectrum of topics, including 1. Better understanding of China; 2. Evolution of CITES and the situation; 3. Management of wildlife import and export; 4. Gene pool: the genetic dimension of conservation; 5. Typical cases of transnational wildlife illegal trade; 6. Ecological monitoring and management of wildlife; 7. Utilization: unavoidable concerns for wildlife conservation, etc. Discussion sessions with experts in this field will also be arranged.</p>		

Construction of new countryside in Lin'an district in Zhejiang province: bamboo shoot industry and ecotourism will be discussed to demonstrate China's achievement in poverty alleviation.

Speaker Profile:

(1) Prof. Wan Ziming: the Deputy Director General of the Department of Wildlife Conservation of the National Forestry and grassland Administration and also the Deputy Director General of the Endangered Species Import and Export Management Office of the people's Republic of China. He has engaged in the protection of wild animals and plants, especially the import and export management of endangered species for 33 years. He has participated in the drafting of many laws, regulations and judicial interpretations, attended more than 100 international conferences, coordinated the establishment of a National Inter-agency CITES Law Enforcement Coordination Group, and initiated and organized Operation Cobra in 2013, 2014 and 2015.

(2) Mr. Wu Zhongze: As a Senior Engineer and a Government Lawyer, he is currently the Deputy Director General in charge of species monitoring, conservation evaluation as well as other wildlife conservation issues in China Wildlife Conservation Monitoring Center, National Forestry and Grassland Administration (CWCC)). Since 1996, he has been engaged in nature conservation especially in terms of policy and law researches, dryland, wildlife, and ecosystem management, law enforcement and implementation of Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs). In the past 16 years from 2006, he has been in charge of implementation of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), including the species trade management and the enforcement issues. Mr. Wu Zhongze is a member of the World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL) of IUCN.

(3) Prof. Meng Xianlin: doctor of agriculture, professor level senior engineer. He once served as the executive deputy director of the CITES Management Authority of China, and now is the director of the International Cooperation Department of the National Forestry and Grassland Administration of China.

He has organized national "Bird week", "Wildlife Publicity Month", "World Wildlife Day" and other protection and publicity activities for many times; organized and held many international academic conferences on giant panda protection, traditional Chinese medicine and wildlife protection, CITES implementation and law enforcement cooperation; has organized and carried out the national survey of migratory birds, bears, snakes, wetlands and other resources; organized the preparation of books related to waterfowl, wetland, national key protected wildlife, turtles for trade and other species identification, wildlife law enforcement and so on; has published many academic and management articles in academic conferences, relevant journals and academic journals at home and abroad. Now he is a member of IUCN Heron expert group and executive director of China Wildlife Protection Association.

(4) Mr. MENG Zhibin, associate researcher in Chinese Academic of Sciences, He had been conducting research in fields on Endangered Species Conservation and Animal biology from 1982 to 1999 in Institute of Zoology of CAS. He served as the director of office of Scientific Committee of Endangered Species (China CITES Scientific Authority) from 2000 to 2017, in charge of scientific consultation on import and export of CITES Appendice-list species and other scientific matters.

(5) Prof. Xu Yanchun: from Northeast Forestry University. He has been particularly engaged in molecular genetics, ranging from genetic mechanisms of inbreeding depression to technology development for population management and conservation. The most outstanding progress has been made in wildlife forensics and technology, such as technologies for species identification, individualization, paternity testing, hybrid identification, pedigree reconstruction and DNA-based pedigree-free genentic management of populations.

	<p>(6) Prof. Jiang Guangshun: from Northeast Forestry University. The winner of the national major talent project is "distinguished professor of Changjiang Scholars" (2019). He is also a member of the academic membership of Northeast Forestry University, the executive deputy director of the feline research center of National Forestry and Grassland Administration, the editor in chief of the international academic journal Journal of zoological research, the editorial board of the Journal of wildlife, and the "senior consulting expert of the tiger and leopard protection project" of the World Wide Fund for nature.</p> <p>(7) Mr. Ji Wei: Counsellor and Committee Chair of Shanghai Wildlife Conservation Association. The main research interests are; CITES implementation strategy, interaction between captive-bred and wild populations, mega-fauna conservation in Africa, community livelihood and conservation. He participated in CITES CoP17, CoP18 and CoP19, SC70 to SC 76, and AC31. He is a member of CITES MIKE-ETIS TAG, IUCN SSC AfESG, IUCN SSC/CEESP SULi, and HKSAR WMAG.</p> <p>Materials to be prepared by trainees:</p> <p>To facilitate the communication with Chinese experts, please prepare the communication materials related to the training topics in your country, such as: ① including the self introduction of your major and organization; ② Current situation and existing problems of wildlife conservation and CITES implementation; ③ related work planning; ④ Arrangements for personnel training, exchange and cooperation with China.</p> <p>Completion test / evaluation:</p> <p>In the form of test questions.</p>		
Host City	Hangzhou, Zhejiang	Cities of Virtual Tours	
Notes	<p>1. The training program will be held online which requires participants to prepare necessary equipment and devices such as internet connection, computer, microphone, camera, etc.</p> <p>2. Participants should be punctual and well-disciplined. The Certificate of Completion will be issued to those who meet all the requirements including good attendance records.</p> <p>3. Participants should enter the virtual classroom in advance with the screen name "NAME + COUNTRY" identical to the passport information.</p> <p>4. Participants should respect and maintain the confidentiality and security of the information and data concerning the Seminar. Course materials will be shared to participants after class, which shall not be posted via social media.</p>		

<p>About the Organizer</p>	<p>CBRC was established in 1984 and is headquartered in Hangzhou, China. CBRC has 3 missions: (a) Bamboo research at national and international levels; (b) International exchange, cooperation and personnel training; and (c) Bamboo industrialization. Over 40 training spots have been set up in China. In 2011, International Forestry Science and Technology Training Center of the National Forestry and Grassland Administration (NFGA) was established at CBRC. Since 1993, CBRC has organized 147 international workshops, including 8 ministerial seminars, all sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of China (MOFCOM), United Nations Development Program (UNDP), United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and individual governments. So far, 5,281 participants from 111 countries have been well trained. CBRC also conducted the China-aid Bamboo Development Project for Rwanda as entrusted by MOFCOM which was successfully selected as the excellent case of South South cooperation and tripartite cooperation for sustainable development of the United Nations. CBRC has successfully provided technical service to over 30 countries, including Uganda, Mexico, Argentina, Ghana and India, which has explored innovative ways suitable for local forestry development and contributed to the realization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development of the United Nations.</p> <p>The CITES Management Authority of China (CNMA) represents the Chinese Government to deal with CITES related issues. It is responsible for communication and cooperation with the Parties, CITES Secretariat, IGOs and NGOs, coordinates the Forestry, Agriculture, Customs, Public Security, and the Market Authorities to implement and enforce CITES, and supervises the import and export of endangered species. CBRC and CNMA have co-organized 10 seminars on CITES implementation and wildlife conservation since 2012, and have trained 264 participants from 43 countries, which have achieved excellent results.</p>
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