



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

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CONCERNING:

CHINA

Seminar on Asia Wildlife Conservation and CITES Implementation

1. This notification is published at the request of China.
2. China is organizing an in-person *Seminar on Asia Wildlife Conservation and CITES Implementation* from 23 July to 5 August 2024. The organizer of the seminar is China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC). The capacity of the seminar is 25 participants from Asian countries. Detailed information about the programme can be found in Annex 1.
3. Parties are requested to send the relevant information of qualified candidates by using the registration form in Annex 2, directly to the organizer:

Ms. Zheng Youmiao, CBRC

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4. Parties from Asia are kindly suggested to send the application form before **31 May 2024**.

Seminar on Asia Wildlife Conservation and CITES Implementation

Program Description

Name	Seminar on Asia Wildlife Conservation and CITES Implementation		
Organizer	China National Bamboo Research Center		
Time	2024-07-23 -- 2024-08-05	Language for Learning	English
Invited Countries	Asian countries		
Number of Participants	25		
Requirements for the Participants	Age	Under 45 for officials at or under director's level; under 50 for officials at director general's level.	
	Health	Participants should be in good health and should be free of diseases prohibited by Chinese laws and regulations from entering China, and free of other serious chronic diseases (such as severe hypertension, cardiovascular and cerebrovascular diseases, and diabetes), mental diseases or infectious diseases that may pose a significant public health risk. Participants shall not in the period of recovering from major surgery or acute illness, not be severely physically disabled, and not during a pregnancy period.	
	Language	Participants should be capable of listening, speaking, reading and writing in English that can meet the requirements of the class.	
	others	Family members or friends shall not follow.	
Host City	Hangzhou City	Local Temperature	Summer: 30°C-35°C
Cities to visit	Huzhou City Zhejiang Province, Shanghai City	Local Temperature	Huzhou City: 30°C-35°C, Shanghai City: 30°C-35°C
Notes	1. Please prepare your valid passport and visa in advance; 2. If you are unable to depart on time due to special circumstances, or if your flight is delayed when connecting, please contact the program contact person to inform the latest flight status in order to arrange for pick-up; 3. In principle, personal changes to international tickets are not allowed; if you really need to do so, please contact the Business Office for ticket change procedures. If personal change is made to the air tickets without consent, the resulting costs and responsibilities will be borne by the individual. 4. Please check if you need to re-handle your baggage check-in when you transfer to another flight. After picking up your baggage, please wait patiently at the international arrival exit (or domestic arrival exit) and the staff will pick you up with the pick-up sign		

	<p>with the name of the organizer. If you wait for more than 15 minutes, you can communicate with the program contact person by phone; 5. If you need to register with the airline in case of lost checked luggage, please call the program contact person to confirm the luggage delivery address before filling out the registration form; 6. Please pay attention to the weather of the destinations and bring appropriate clothing; prepare light footwear to facilitate visits and investigations; attend the important activities of the Seminar in formal wear or national costume; 7. Please bring a small amount of common medicines as necessary.</p>	
<p>Contact of the Organizer</p>	<p>Contact Person(s)</p>	<p>Ms. Zheng Youmiao</p>
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<p>About the Organizer</p>	<p>CBRC was established in 1984 and headquartered in Hangzhou. CBRC has 3 missions: (a). Bamboo's R.&D. at national and international levels; (b). International exchange, cooperation and personnel training of bamboo; and (c). Bamboo's industrialization. Over 40 international training spots in China have been set up. In 2011, International Forestry Science and Technology Training Center of the National Forestry and Grassland Administration was established at CBRC.</p> <p>Since 1993 CBRC has organized 171 international workshops, including 8 ministerial seminars, all sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of China (MOFCOM), United Nations Development Program (UNDP), United Nations Industry Development Organization (UNIDO) and individual governments. So far, 6,079 participants from 114 countries have been well trained. CBRC also conducts the China-aid Bamboo Development Project for Rwanda as entrusted by MOFCOM and has successfully provided technical service to over 30 countries including Uganda, Mexico, Argentina, Ghana, India, etc. with great achievement made, which has explored the innovative paths suitable for the development of local bamboo industry, making contributions to protecting the environment, improving employment, and increasing income.</p> <p>The CITES Management Authority of China (CCMA) represents the Chinese Government to deal with CITES related issues. Internally it is responsible for issuing licenses and certificates, organizing and coordinating national wildlife import and export management, and fulfilling relevant international conventions. It participates in the research and formulation of guidelines, policies, laws, and regulations for national wildlife import and export management, assists the competent authorities in organizing and coordinating the national wildlife import and export management, conducts compliance affairs contacts with external parties, and represents the Chinese government in liaison with institutions under CITES and CITES management agencies of the parties, participates in the formulation of compliance policies, and</p>	

	<p>handles major international affairs related to CITES implementation. 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 CITES, and supervises the import and export of endangered species. CBRC and CCMA have co-organized 13 seminars on CITES implementation and wildlife conservation since 2012, and have trained 659 participants from 62 countries, which achieved excellent results.</p>
<p>Seminar Content</p>	<p>Main Training Courses and Contents</p> <p>Introduction of CITES: history and future introduces, The definition, necessity, revision of species appendices, development process, operational mechanism, role played by the CITES Convention, and the changes that have occurred since China and other developing countries joined the Convention.</p> <p>Conservation of Asian Elephants in China introduces the current situation and challenges faced in the conservation of Asian elephants in China, as well as China's advanced conservation concepts, experience and practices, as well as conservation effectiveness, spreads China's ecological civilization concept, and tells the story of China well.</p> <p>Identification of Endangered Species and Their Products introduces the role of identifying endangered animal species and products, as well as their important role in wildlife conservation, such as identifying incidents of poaching, illegal fishing, illegal trade, and animal abuse, investigating and prosecuting crimes, and testifying as expert witnesses in court, is an important aspect of wildlife conservation.</p> <p>Institutional and Capacity Building for Improvement of Local Communities' Livelihood and Welfare-based on China's Forest Protection and Restoration Experiences introduces the practices and specific practices of forest conservation and restoration construction in China to participants on the systems that CITES community livelihood improvement can adopt, as well as the guarantees and related capacity building it brings.</p> <p>Global Wildlife Trade: A Comprehensive View introduces global illegal trade in wildlife, analyzes relevant trends and dynamics, strengthens information exchange, and provides a foundation for multilateral and bilateral containment and crackdown on illegal trade.</p> <p>Publicity of China's Wildlife Conservation and Implementation introduces China's promotion of wildlife conservation and CITES implementation, improvement of global governance, dissemination of advanced experience, enhancement of multilateral and bilateral cooperation, and effective crackdown on illegal trade in wildlife have effectively established China's image as a major country committed to building an ecological community with a shared future.</p> <p>Interdepartmental Law Enforcement Cooperation Mechanism in China introduces the relevant agencies and roles of various agencies involved in inter departmental law enforcement cooperation in China, as well as the mechanisms for law enforcement cooperation, and the specific achievements made.</p> <p>2. Visit and Investigation</p> <p>It is proposed to arrange the fellow participants to visit Shanghai Supervision Office, National Forestry and Grassland Administration to gain a deep understanding of the process of obtaining import and export permit certificates, archive management, and educational activities for obtaining import and export permits. This will enable students to intuitively experience China's good experiences and practices in the above</p>

areas, and to experience the rapid development and achievements of Shanghai since the reform and opening up, as well as its benchmark role in China and even the world's economic and urban development. We will provide Shanghai's experience (2)It is proposed to arrange the fellow participants to visit the Wetland Park of Woosong Port in Shanghai to gain a comprehensive and deep understanding of the construction process, the measures taken and good practices as well as the progress made. Besides, the fellow participants will take this opportunity to know about the animal and plant species, routine of wetlands management, which will provide the relevant reference for Asian countries in wetland management. (3)It is proposed to arrange the fellow participants to visit Xiazhu Lake National Wetland Park in Deqing County to gain the experience in wetland resources conservation and propagation of the endangered species of Crested Ibis, with an on-the-spot investigation of the course, the corresponding measures, i.e. on-site protection, off-site protection, international cooperation and the progress made, so that the participants can understand the strong determination, measures and the effects of the Chinese government in protecting the endangered species.

3. Cultural Experience

It is proposed to arrange the fellow participants to go to Chenghuang Temple in Shanghai to understand and experience the local folk customs and food culture; Go to Xinshi Ancient Town, Deqing County to learn and experience the architectural style of Ming and Qing Dynasty residential complexes; Experience the vast and profound culinary and architectural cultures and achievements of China.

4. Introduction of Main Lecturers

(1) 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, is in charge of the Bird Conservation Division, the CITES Implementation and Law Enforcement Division and the Wildlife Epidemic Monitoring and Prevention Division. 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) Yin Feng: Chief Engineer of the China Wildlife Conservation Association, mainly engaged in public education and conservation research on wildlife conservation. I have presided over the overall analysis, scheme design, organization and implementation of more than 20 wildlife protection and management projects, and have written project reports, technical specifications, and standards for more than 20 projects, providing scientific basis and technical support for the government to strengthen management and law enforcement capacity building.

(3) Zhou Zhihua: Director of the Wildlife Protection Monitoring Center of the National Forestry and Grassland Administration. Formerly served as Deputy Director, Director, and Deputy Director of the National Endangered Species Import and Export Management Office, Deputy Director of the Nature Reserve Management Department, and Deputy Director of the Wildlife Conservation Department. Engaged in long-term work in wildlife conservation and management, nature reserve management, negotiations on the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, and the Convention on Biological Diversity;

(4) Xu Yanchun: Professor of 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 genetic management of populations.

(5) Xie Yi: Professor and doctoral supervisor at Beijing Forestry University, mainly engaged in teaching and research in the fields of rural forestry reform and development, natural resource property rights system, wildlife protection economy and policies, understory economy, national reserve forests, forestry carbon sequestration, and realization of forestry ecological product value. Also serving as a director of the China Forestry, Animal Husbandry, and Fisheries Economic Society, a member of the Expert Committee for the Demonstration Construction of the United Nations Forest Document, an expert in the front work group for the disposal of the Northern Elephant Group of the National Forestry and Grassland Administration, and a member of the Asian Elephant Protection Expert Committee.

(6) Ji Wei: Director and Chairman, Expert in the Protection of Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora of the Shanghai Wildlife Conservation Association. My main research areas are the implementation strategies of CITES, interactions between captive and wild populations, conservation of large African wildlife, and rural community livelihoods and conservation. Serving as a member of the CITES MIKE-ETIS Technical Advisory Group, a member of the African Elephant Expert Group of the Species Survival Committee of the World Conservation Union, a member of the Sustainable Use and Livelihood Expert Group of the Environmental, Economic and Social Policy Committee of the World Conservation Union, and a consultant to the Wildlife Management Advisory Group of the Hong Kong Agriculture and Fisheries Department;

(7) Zhu Jiang: Researcher of the Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Director of the Office of the Scientific Committee on Endangered Species of the People's Republic of China. I have been engaged in scientific research management for a long time and am currently mainly responsible for various tasks related to the implementation of CITES.

To facilitate communication with Chinese experts, please prepare communication materials related to the training topic in your country, such as: ① the current development status and existing problems of wildlife conservation and management; ② The foundation of cooperation with China, etc.

***The Asian countries are kindly advised to send the application forms before May 31, 2024.**