NOTIFICACIÓN A LAS PARTES

No. 2023/009 Ginebra, 1 de febrero de 2023

ASUNTO:

Día Mundial de la Vida Silvestre 2023:
Acto presencial por el Día Mundial de la Vida Silvestre en Washington, D.C.

1. Esta notificación es publicada por la Secretaría.

2. Como se indicó en la Notificación a las Partes No. 2022/085 (publicada el 20 de diciembre de 2022), el Día Mundial de la Vida Silvestre 2023, que también marcará el 50º aniversario de la firma de la Convención, se celebrará en todo el mundo el 3 de marzo bajo el lema ***Alianzas en favor de la conservación de la vida silvestre***. Este tema se centra en todos los que trabajan en favor de la conservación de la vida silvestre y marcan la diferencia en relación con las especies silvestres, los ecosistemas, las personas y los medios de subsistencia, así como la CITES.

3. Este año, el Gobierno de los Estados Unidos de América y la Secretaría de la CITES copatrocinarán el acto oficial presencial por el Día Mundial de la Vida Silvestre, el **viernes 3 de marzo de 10:00 a 12:30 (EST)** en el Auditorio Grosvenor de la National Geographic Society (1600 M St NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, EE. UU.) en colaboración con otros asociados. El evento se celebrará únicamente en inglés; se adjunta, para su información, el programa provisional.

4. Se invita a las Partes a ponerse en contacto con sus representaciones en Washington D.C. para participar en el evento y transmitirles la carta de invitación adjunta (que será necesaria para la inscripción). Se ruega a los representantes de las Partes interesadas que se inscriban para asistir a través del siguiente enlace:

   https://wildlifeday2023-in-person-event.eventbrite.ch

   El plazo de inscripción finaliza el **15 de febrero de 2023**.

5. Dado de que el aforo del Auditorio Grosvenor es limitado, se tratará de un evento al que sólo se podrá asistir por invitación. Se dará prioridad a los representantes de las Partes; algunas organizaciones internacionales y organizaciones no gubernamentales locales serán invitadas directamente y se les concederán asientos en función de las disponibilidades.

6. El evento también se retransmitirá en directo por Internet en https://www.youtube.com/worldwildlifeday/streams.

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Geneva / Washington, DC, January 31, 2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

On 3 March 1973, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) was adopted and signed in Washington, DC. The significance of this day has been recognized by the annual global celebration of the United Nations World Wildlife Day.

Each year, the day is marked by a different theme intended to bring focus on and highlight key aspects of wildlife conservation. In 2023, as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the adoption of the Convention, World Wildlife Day will be celebrated under the theme "***Partnerships for Wildlife Conservation***".

As in the past years, World Wildlife Day will be celebrated with in-person and online events across the globe. The main event hosted by the United States Government and the CITES Secretariat, and in partnership with UNDP, Jackson Wild, the International Foundation for Animal Welfare and the National Geographic Society, will take place in Washington DC, the birthplace of the Convention.

With this letter we would like to invite you to the event, which takes place on **Friday, 3 March from 10:00 – 12:30 (EST)** at National Geographic's Grosvenor Auditorium (1600 M St NW, Washington, DC). The draft agenda of the event is attached herewith for your information.

This invitation letter allows you, or a person nominated by you, to attend the in-person event. The event will also be livestreamed for online viewing (https://www.youtube.com/worldwildlifeday/streams). Kindly register your in-person attendance through the link below:

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The deadline for the registration is **15 February 2023**. As the Grosvenor Auditorium has limited seating, we will confirm your place once it is secured.

We would be very pleased to see you at the event and look forward to our continued collaboration in wildlife conservation - and in support of CITES.

Sincerely,

Ivonne Higuero
CITES Secretary-General

Martha Williams
Director
US Fish and Wildlife Service

World Wildlife Day 2023 and Celebration of CITES@50: Partnerships for Wildlife Conservation

3 March 2023 - National Geographic Grosvenor Auditorium, Washington DC

Provisional Programme

Time	
10:00 – 10:20	**Opening session** • Musical Opening • Welcome remarks from CITES Secretary-General • High-level opening statements: Government of the United States of America Government of Switzerland (Depositary Government) World Bank Global Environment Facility (TBC) National Geographic Society
10:20 – 10:50	**Partnership stories from around the world** • Live guests and videos of successful partnerships stories at international, regional, and national/local levels
10:50 – 11:20	**International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) International Youth Art Contest** • Introduction of finalists & announcement of winners
11:20 – 11:55	**Partnership stories from around the world (continued)**
11:55 – 12:20	**Jackson Wild Film Showcase** • Introduction of finalists & reveal of winners
12:20 – 12:30	**Closure** • Summary & thanks • Musical closure

Partnership Story Presenters

- Elly Hamunyela — Director, Ministry of Environment and Tourism, Namibia
- Christy Plott — Louisiana Alligator Advisory Council, United States of America
- Jean Lagarde Betti — Assistant Professor, University of Douala, Cameroon
- Lench Fevrier — Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States
- Nabila Norshuhadah Mohd Hazzrol & Tan Hui Min Steffi — Youth Conservation Network, Malaysia & Singapore
- Ana Folhadella — Director, Amazon Conservation Association
- Richard Scobey — Executive Director, TRAFFIC
- Chris Smith — Managing Director, Bankers without Boundaries