



## The International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICCWC)

### SIXTEENTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO CITES

### ROUNDTABLE ON COMBATING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED WILDLIFE AND FOREST CRIME FOR MINISTERS AND HIGH-LEVEL REPRESENTATIVES

#### CONCEPT NOTE

**Date:** 4 March 2013, 09:30-12:00

**Venue:** Queen Sirikit National Convention Center (QSNCC), meeting room 2, Bangkok, Thailand

#### Introduction

Recognizing that illegal trade in endangered species of fauna and flora is escalating and increasingly organized, and aware that strong support from the highest political levels is essential to combat such illegal trade effectively, the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICCWC), in consultation with the Government of Thailand, is organizing a high-level roundtable during the 16th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to CITES in Bangkok, Thailand.

#### Objectives of the meeting

The purpose of the roundtable is to share experiences across States and regions on efforts to combat transnational wildlife crime and to reaffirm a commitment at the highest political levels to combat wildlife crime, including forest crime.

Discussions will focus on the serious nature of illegal wildlife trade, the importance of international cooperation and the need to make best use of existing or proposed international or regional enforcement bodies or networks. It will draw attention to the tools that countries can access through ICCWC to combat illegal trade in fauna and flora at the national, regional and global levels, and will highlight the need to mobilize further human and financial resources to combat effectively transnational organized wildlife crime, including forest crime.

#### Partners

ICCWC partner organizations, represented by their executive heads or a senior representative: CITES Secretariat, ICPO-INTERPOL, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), World Bank and the World Customs Organization (WCO).

#### Target participants

Ministers and other high-level representatives will be invited to attend.





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Executive heads, directors, or senior representatives from intergovernmental organizations are invited to attend as observers.

### Draft agenda

CITES CoP16 HIGH LEVEL ROUNDTABLE	
09:30 – 09:50	<b>Opening session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chair's opening remarks</li> <li>- Remarks by CITES Secretary-General on behalf of ICCWC</li> <li>- Remarks by a representative of the Government of Thailand</li> </ul>
09:50 – 10:00	<b>The International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICCWC)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- An introduction to ICCWC</li> </ul>
10:00 – 11:45	<b>Ministerial roundtable:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Addressing transnational organized wildlife and forest crime: challenges and solutions</li> </ul>
11:45 – 12:00	<b>Session summary and closure</b> by the Chair

The Ministerial roundtable will be a moderated meeting.

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French and Spanish throughout the meeting.

### ICCWC lunch reception

ICCWC will host a lunch reception for attending ministers and other high level representatives from 12:00 to 13:30 at QSNCC (venue to be confirmed).

### Registration and travel arrangements

Participants will be responsible for their own travel and accommodation arrangements and are kindly requested to confirm their attendance by completing the attached registration form and returning it to the CITES Secretariat **by 15 February 2013**.

Participants seeking assistance with their travel and accommodation may use the official agency appointed by the CITES Secretariat for CoP16. Further details can be found at:

<http://www.confmanager.com/main.cfm?cid=1661&nid=16009>

All completed registration forms should be forwarded to Ms Penelope-Anne Benn of the CITES Secretariat at [penelope.benn@cites.org](mailto:penelope.benn@cites.org).

### Acknowledgements

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Registration form for government representatives
CITES CoP16 high-level roundtable

QSNCC meeting room 2, 4 March 2013, 9:30 to 12:00

Please complete all sections of this form and submit it with a copy of your national passport to Ms Penelope-Anne Benn (penelope.benn@cites.org) no later than 15 FEBRUARY 2013.

- 1. Ministry/organization:
2. Country:
3. Contact details
Address:
City & postcode:
Contact number\*: please include country/area codes
Email:

4. Participant details - Please specify if members of your delegation attending this meeting are registered for the 16th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to CITES (CoP16).

Head of delegation: Registered for CoP16
First name & surname:
Position:
Organization:

Member of delegation (if applicable): Registered for CoP16
Name/surname:
Position:
Organization:

Please note:

Kindly include a copy of the national passport with this application and submit your registration form no later than 15 February 2013.

Only one application form should be sent by each delegation planning to attend the meeting. Participation will be limited to a maximum of two representatives from each country. Registration will take place from 08:00 to 09:15.





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Registration form for representatives of intergovernmental organizations CITES CoP16 high-level roundtable

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1. Participant details – All sections must be completed

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_
Position: \_\_\_\_\_
Title: \_\_\_\_\_
First name: \_\_\_\_\_
Surname: \_\_\_\_\_
Address: \_\_\_\_\_
City & postcode: \_\_\_\_\_
Country: \_\_\_\_\_
Office telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ (please include country and area codes)
Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ (please include country and area codes)
Work email \_\_\_\_\_

Please note:

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Owing to the limited space available, participation of intergovernmental organizations is limited to one representative per organization or network. Registration for observers will be open from 08:00 to 09:00. Observers are kindly requested to take their seats before 9:20.

