

EAAFP Interim Task Force on Illegal Hunting, Taking and Trade of Migratory Waterbirds

Second and final report back to MoP10

The Taskforce meet twice during MoP.

Current Members: Cambodia, Australia, Russia, Mongolia, Bangladesh, CMS, CAFF, Wildlife Conservation Society, BirdLife.

(Partners are encouraged to become members)

Election of Officers: Chair Cambodia (Dr Srey Sunleang)

Vice Chair Australia (Geoff Richardson)

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1. Operation of the EAAFP and CMS Task Forces on Illegal Hunting, Taking and Trade of Migratory Waterbirds in the EAAF

- The Parties to the CMS Convention in the EAAF conducted a side meeting to discuss the CMS Illegal Hunting Task Force and reported back to the EAAFP Task Force:
 - It was acknowledged by CMS Parties that the breadth of country partners involved in the Flyway Partnership provided a more comprehensive forum to assess and respond to the issue in Southeast Asia.
 - It was agreed by CMS Parties that the EAAFP Task Force would lead on migratory waterbirds
- Parties to the CMS Convention in the EAAF agreed to participate and engage fully in the EAAFP Task Force.

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2. Proposed Work Program

Initial work between MoP10 and MoP11 will be focused in South East Asia.

BirdLife Asia, in liaison with the National Governments of the region, will prepare a Situational Analysis of illegal hunting, taking and trade in South East Asia. This will include:

- an academic review of literature on illegal hunting in South East Asia,
- the national legal frameworks that regulate hunting of migratory waterbirds,
- assessment of take in South East Asia.

The project is proposed to be conducted from April 2019 to March 2020.

Contact with National Government agencies will initially be via the EAAFP Contact Point.

3. Communication

The Taskforce will use electronic communication between MoPs.

The Secretariat will be provided with updates as the assessment progresses.

Report back to MoP11.