

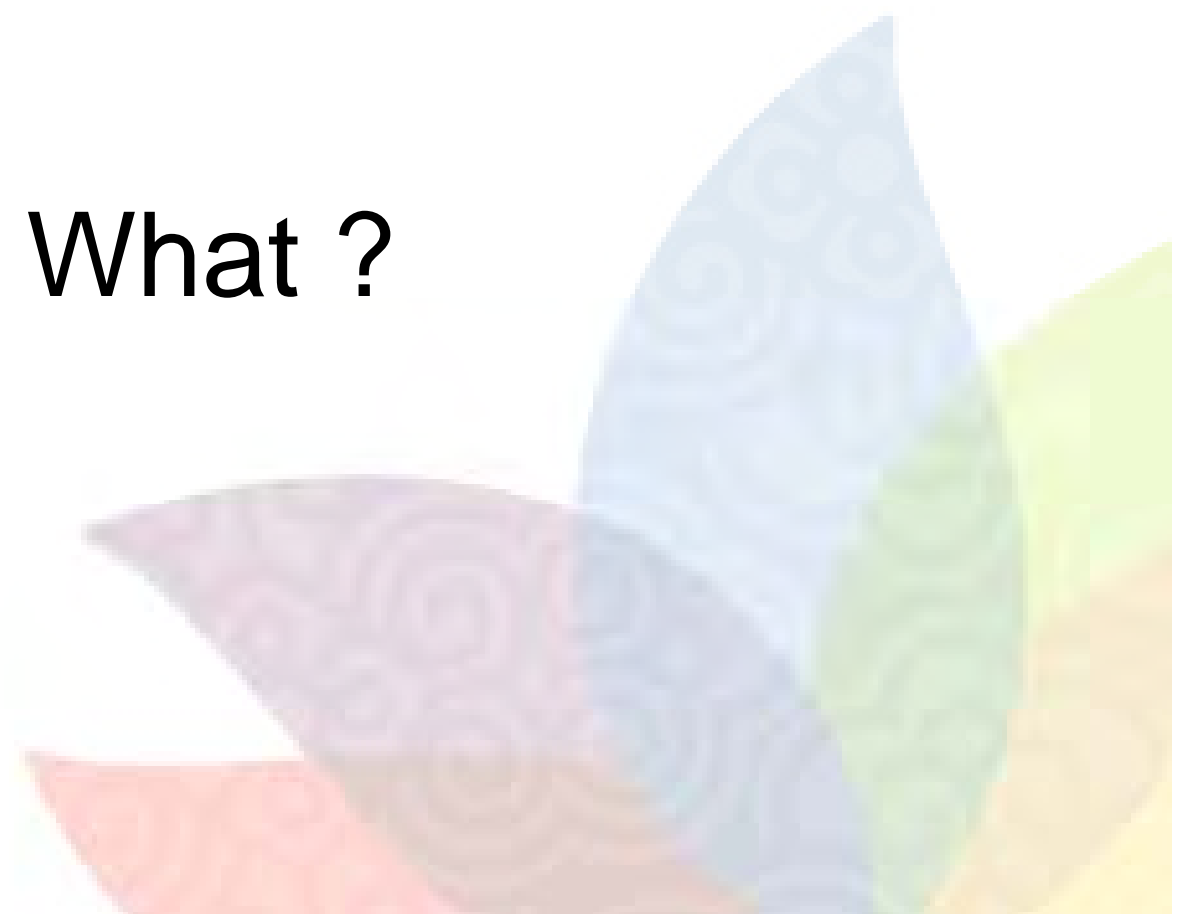


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JEJU 2012



What ?



What is the World Conservation Congress?

- The highest organ of IUCN
- Held every 4 years in Switzerland or in another State that agrees to host the WCC
- Its functions (among others):
 - to define IUCN's general policy
 - to consider and approve the programme and financial plan
 - to elect the President, Treasurer, Regional Councillors and Chairs of Commissions
 - to provide a public forum for debate on how best to conserve nature and to ensure an equitable and ecologically sustainable use of natural resources



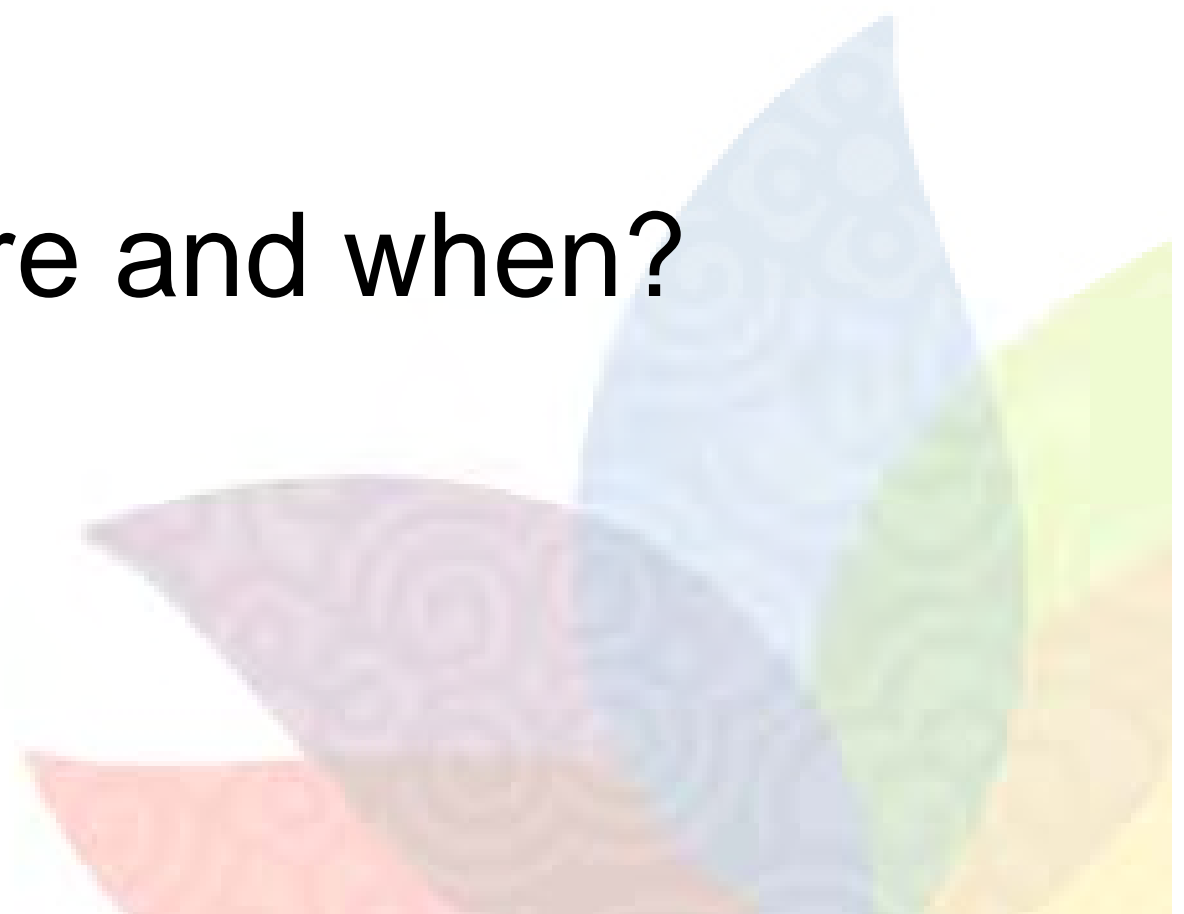
What is the World Conservation Congress?

The Congress starts with a **Forum** where IUCN Members and partners discuss cutting edge ideas, thinking and practice.

The Forum leads into the IUCN **Members' Assembly**, a unique global environmental parliament of governments and NGOs.



Where and when?



Where and when?

Jeju, Republic of Korea: 6-15 September 2012



Where?



- Jungmun Resort Complex
- 40 min from Jeju airport
- 20 min from Seogwipo



Objectives for the 2012 Congress

- To **influence global conservation** in the areas of biodiversity conservation, climate change, energy, livelihoods and green economy
- To **debate and create consensus on selected issues**
- To **showcase the new concepts and evidence on the topic of resilience**
- To **showcase successes and conservation results**



Theme for the 2012 Congress - Nature+



- **Nature+** is about boosting the **resilience** of nature – improving how quickly nature and people adapt to change.
- The Congress will explore many of our most pressing environmental and development challenges from this perspective and how strong and resilient nature is intricately linked to solving these issues.
 - Nature+ climate;
 - Nature+ livelihoods;
 - Nature+ energy;
 - Nature+ economics;



How?



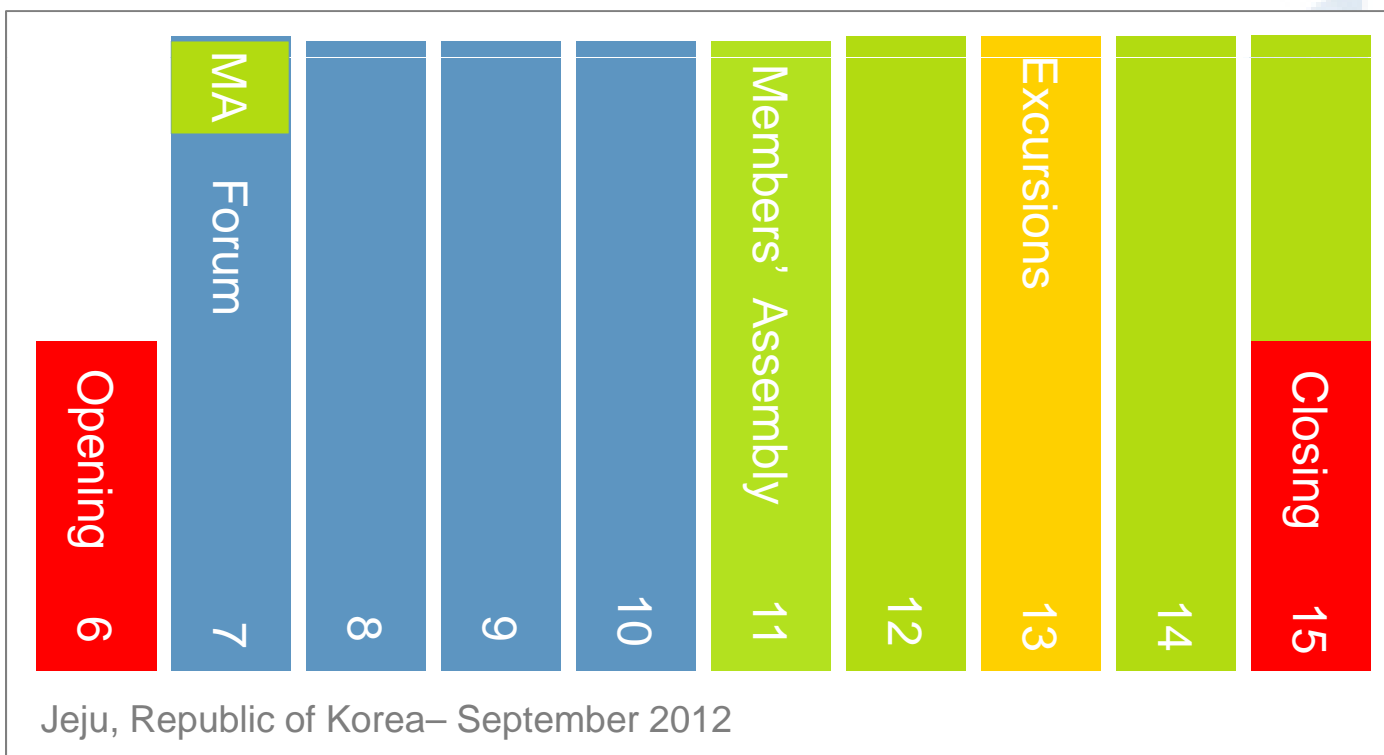


The Evaluation of the 2008 Barcelona Congress recommended to:

1. reaffirm the role of Congress in the global conservation arena
2. set strategic objectives for the Congress
3. develop a performance management framework to guide the design and evaluation of Congress
4. **align the design of the Congress to planned objectives**
5. **reaffirm linkages between Forum and Assembly or consider separating the two**
6. **refine the motions process to ensure improved ownership and engagement**
7. [...]

Congress Structure

OPTION 1: 2008 STRUCTURE+



What is new compared to 2008 Congress: (1)



- Improved alignment between Forum and Assembly with regard to content:
 - Forum designed to discuss one Programme area every day (see second part of this presentation)
 - Members' Assembly reserves adequate time for discussion of each Programme area and related motions (presentation of each Programme area, implementation results of the current Programme, outcomes of the Forum, presentation, discussion and voting on motions)
- Forum generates a climax towards the Assembly instead of closing it as an unrelated event on the eve of the Assembly; some high visibility events are also held during the Members' Assembly

What is new compared to 2008 Congress: (2)



- IUCN Programme 2013-2016:
 - Broad consultation in 2011 to ‘capture’ Members’ proposals, identifying them in the iterative drafts of the Programme as ‘Member motions’
 - Members’ modifications to the Programme are receivable up to the end of all of the Regional Conservation Forums (end of October 2011), after which motions to amend the Programme will only be acceptable with respect to new developments in the world
 - Promote regional Programmes as framework for Members’ proposals for local/regional action
 - Financial Plan to be discussed and approved together with the Programme

What is new compared to 2008 Congress: (3)



- Motions:
 - Council preparing measures to address the issues identified in 2008 with regard to the motions process
 - Membership consultation in 2011 to promote/educate Members' engagement in the motions process
 - Motions grouped per Programme area for presentation (e.g. video), discussion (e.g. panel discussion, limited number of speakers for and against) and voting during the Assembly

What is new compared to 2008 Congress: (4)



- Reports:
 - All reports distributed in writing in advance of Congress with invitation to send questions and comments
 - Commission reports presented by video
 - One Q & A session and debate (with no time limitation) following the presentation of all reports by President, Director General and Commission Chairs
 - Regional Committee Reports replaced by panel discussion

What is new compared to 2008 Congress: (5)



- Elections:
 - Electronic election system
 - Debate between candidates for President
 - Opportunities for Members to meet other candidates during the Forum instead of 3-minute presentations during the Members' Assembly
- Medals and Awards:
 - Ceremonial high-visibility event
 - Names of laureates made public in advance in order to attract broader attention/visibility

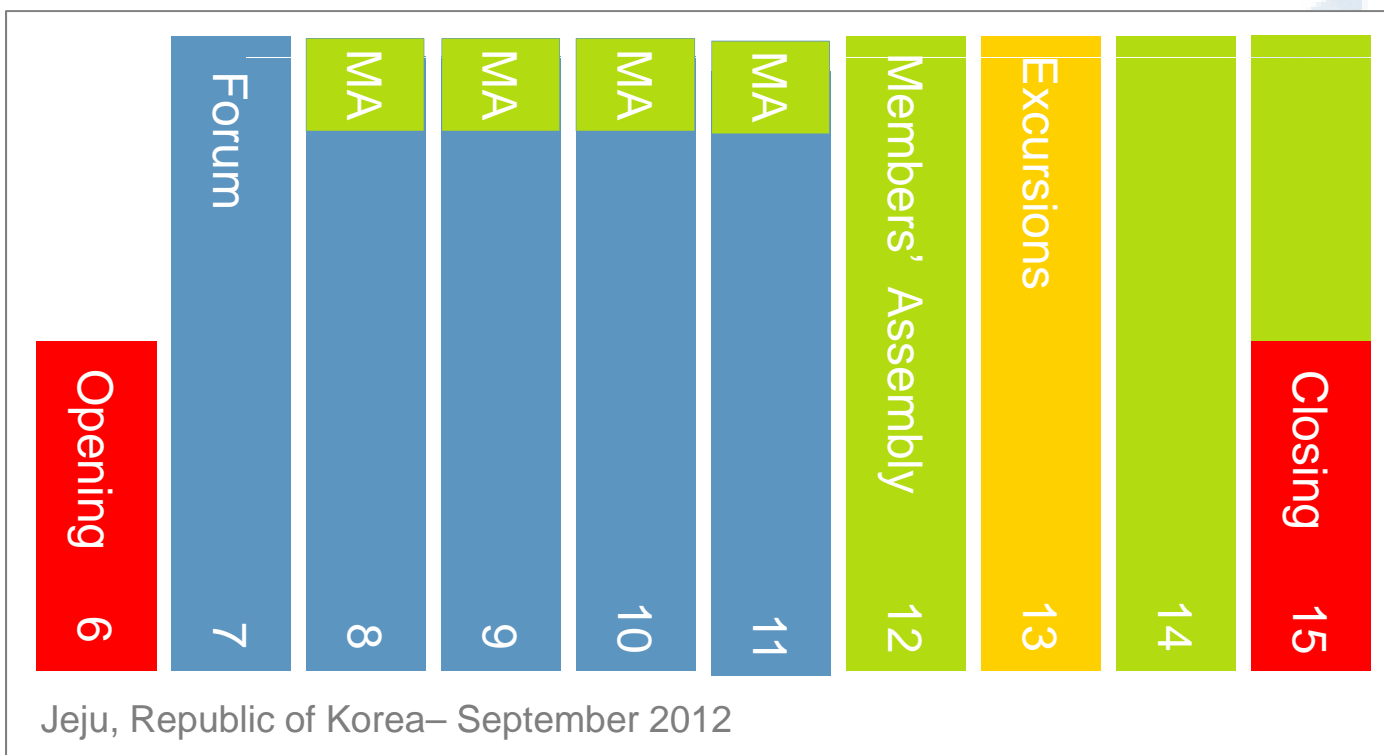


Strengths and weaknesses

- Forum and Assembly aligned with regard to content but not tangible/visible and both may continue to be seen as separate events
- Fewer presentations and a structure for dealing with (possibly fewer) motions means more time for introduction and discussion of Programme and motions: delegates will be empowered to make informed decisions to vote for or against motions
- Risk of congestion towards the end of the Assembly remains real

Congress Structure

OPTION 2: 'INFUSED' CONGRESS





Different from the '2008 Structure+' :

Link between Forum and Assembly is visible/
tangible: 'infused Congress'

- Assembly sittings every morning from 8:30 to 10:30 from Sep 8th to Sep 12th to discuss the Forum theme (Programme area) of the previous day
- No Forum events during Assembly morning sittings
- Each day, Assembly morning sittings begin with presentation of another (new) Programme area and the results of the current Programme, the Forum results of the previous day, introduction, discussion and adoption of motions
- First full day of Assembly plenary meetings on Sep 12th instead of Sep 11th



Strengths and weaknesses

- Alignment Forum and Assembly is tangible/visible - Members clearly see why they need to stay for both
- Less pressure to fast track discussion of Programme and motions as Congress Committees and contact groups are actively engaged as of Sep 8th instead of Sep 11th
- It may be considered inconsistent to discuss future direction (motions) before reviewing the past (Reports). However, brief reports with results of the current Programme in each morning session (from 8th to 12th Sep) partly addresses this issue
- It may be considered premature to vote on motions before the entire Programme is approved or before all motions have been tabled
- Assembly sittings and Forum events each day from 8th to 11th Sep may require more staff and technical support

Members' Assembly timing

OPTION 1: 2008 STRUCTURE+

	7.09	11.09	12.09	14.09	15.09
Agenda, Congress Committees, amendments to Rules		President and Council's Report Director General's Report Commission Reports Resolutions and Recommendations	IUCN Programme, Report of the Programme Committee and Financial Plan 2013-2016 Finances and Report of the Finance and Audit Committee Elections Resolutions and Recommendations	Governance and Report of the Governance Committee Report of the Resolutions Committee Resolutions and Recommendations Medals and Awards	Resolutions and Recommendations



Members' Assembly timing

OPTION 2: 'INFUSED' CONGRESS

8.09	9.09	10.09	11.09	12.09	14.09	15.09
Res Rec	Res Rec	Res Rec	Res Rec	Resolutions and Recommendations	IUCN Programme, Report of the Programme	Resolutions and Recommendations
				President/Council's Report	Committee and Financial Plan 2013-2016	
				Director General's Report	Finances and Report of the Finance and Audit Committee	
				Commission Reports	Governance and Report of the Governance Committee	
				Elections	Report of the Resolutions Committee	
				Resolutions and Recommendations	Medals and Awards	

Sittings every day from 8.09 until 12.09 from 8:30 to 10:30 :

1. Presentation Programme area
2. DG Report on Programme results
3. Presentation Forum results
4. Discussion/adoption of Resolutions and Recommendations

On 8.09 also: Agenda, Congress Committees, amendments to Rules



The Forum



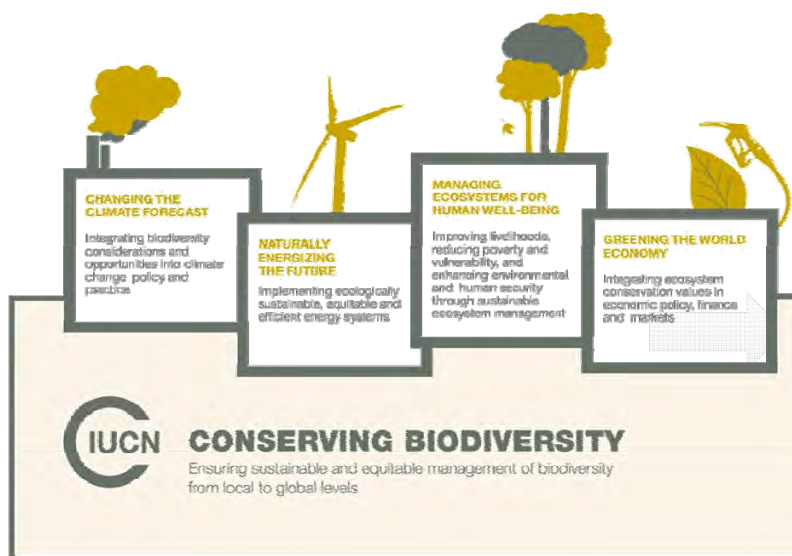
Forum – What is it ?

Debates and discussions organized around several types of events:

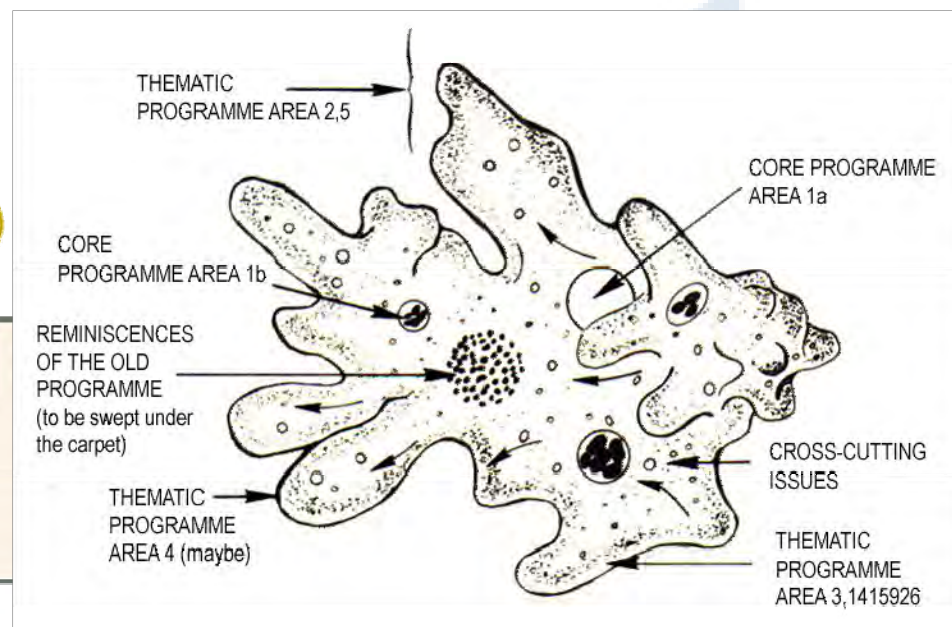
- ❑ Workshops
- ❑ World Leaders Dialogues (high-level sessions)
- ❑ Knowledge cafés (roundtable discussions)
- ❑ Posters
- ❑ Conservation campus (Learning opportunities)
- ❑ Pavilions and exhibition
- ❑ Social events & receptions
- ❑ etc.



Programmatic framework...



IUCN Programme 2009-2012

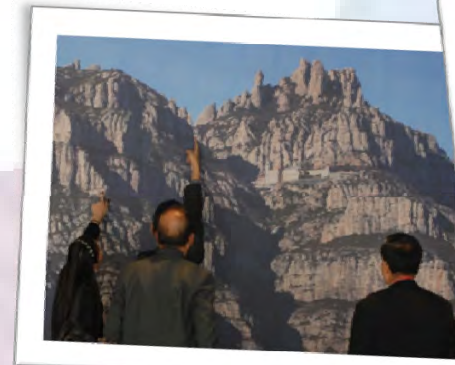


IUCN Programme 2013-2016

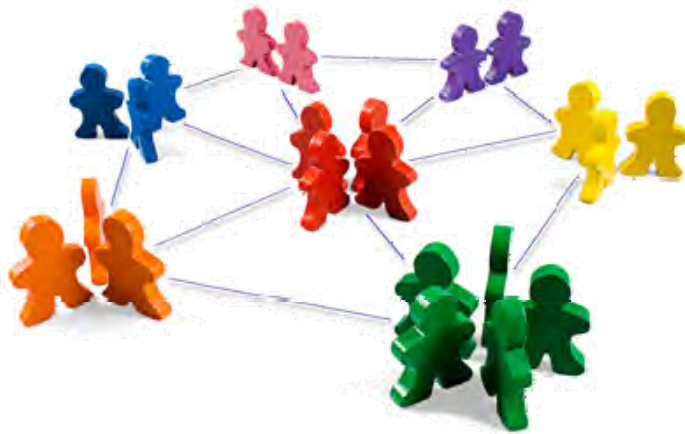
International framework...

Linkages and complementarities with other key international (conservation) events

- Rio 2012 (14-15 May 2012)
- CBD CoP10 (18-29 Oct. 2010) and CoP11 (8-19 Oct. 2012)
- UNFCCC CoP18
- Ramsar CoP11
- IUCN World Parks Congress (Sept. 2014)



The “One Programme” in action...



Any workshop at the Forum will need to **actively involve 2 or more IUCN constituents** in the preparation, development and execution of the proposal

Promoting exchange, training and capacity building...

- ❑ Simpler structure (less types of events, less sessions overall)
- ❑ ***Greater focus (IUCN Programme)***
- ❑ Longer session (2h)
- ❑ Enhanced planning for more interactions (one programme approach, facilitation services, etc.)
- ❑ Conservation Campus (learning opportunities)
- ❑ etc.



The WCC Forum wants to position itself within the 2012 conservation agenda:

- ✓ From words to action:
WCC should be seen as the “how” of international discussions on “what”
- ✓ Create a global shift in the practice and policy of conservation





Simpler structure...

Fewer
events

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Less
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More
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How will this work ?...

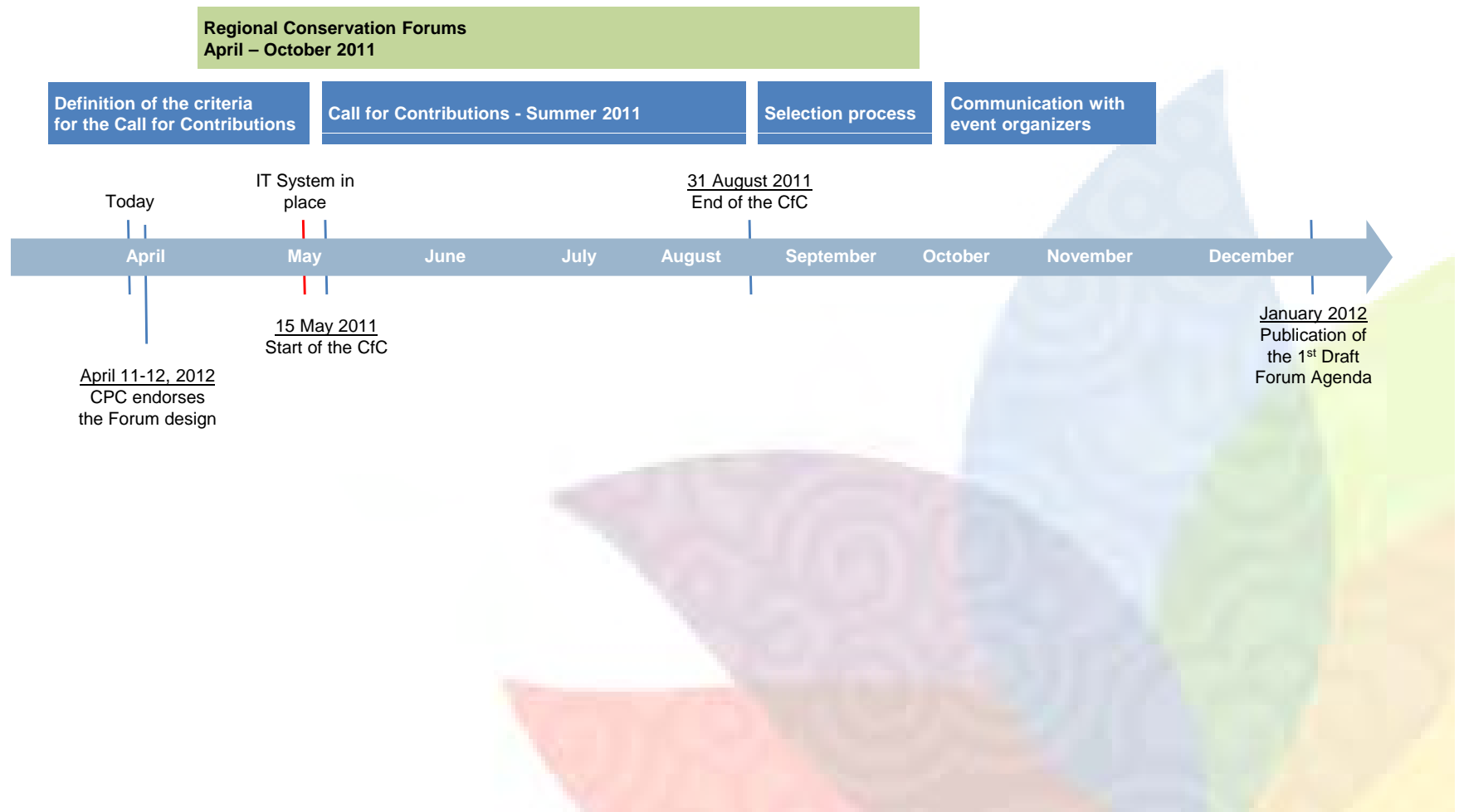
- ❑ Selection of events through Call for Contributions
- ❑ Competitive process (limited number of slots available)
- ❑ Proposals reviewed and evaluated against a series of criteria (all parts of IUCN involved in the process)

Theme	Number of available slots
Workshops	
<i>Conserving and valuing biodiversity</i>	xx
<i>Sharing nature's benefits</i>	xx
<i>Nature-based solutions to climate change</i>	xx
<i>Managing ecosystems to improve food security</i>	xx
<i>Greening the world economy</i>	xx
Total workshops	xxx
Other events	
<i>Knowledge Cafés</i>	xx
<i>Posters</i>	xx
<i>Conservation Campus</i>	xx
Total other events	xxx
TOTAL WCF	xxx

Selection criteria...

- Relevance to the Congress Theme (Resilience)
- Relevance to at least one of the thematic areas of the proposed IUCN Programme 2013-2016
- Involvement of 2 or more IUCN Constituents *(higher ranking if more than 2)*
- Contribution to one or more of the overall Forum objectives
share know-how, reach agreement, move to action *(higher ranking if the latest)*
- Contribution to international conservation debates *(Rio+20; CBD; UNFCCC, WPC, etc.)*
- Audience participation promoted
- New knowledge or improved understanding conveyed
- Personal, organizational or societal changes that helped achieve significant outcomes illustrated
- New challenges, approaches, innovations or solutions identified
- Different perspectives and positions on the topic addressed
- Broad scope of stakeholders associated with the topic
- Gender, in terms of roles in the event and the topic, covered
- Overall regional and cultural diversity

What comes next ?...



Key dates and deadlines...

- ❑ Call for Contributions: **15 May to 31 August 2011**
- ❑ Selection of proposals: September/October 2011
- ❑ Communication with event organizers: End of October 2011
- ❑ 1st Draft agenda of the Forum available: Early January 2012

- Further development of accepted proposals: November 2011 – August 2012
- [Jeju 2012 Forum: 7 – 11 September 2012](#)





Thank you!
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