

WCPA Protected Areas Update February 2010

IUCN's Programme on Protected Areas (PPA) is glad to update WCPA members with the latest protected area and IUCN news.

PPA and WCPA News

Aires protégées – des solutions naturelles à la crise du changement climatique [More...](#)

To save the planet, save the seas [More...](#)

IUCN celebrates International Year of Biodiversity [More...](#)

For previous news on WCPA please visit the [WCPA news page of our website](#)

Protected Area Programme

The Protected Areas Programme is putting together a series of fact sheets on different kinds of protected areas for the International Year of Biodiversity. These fact sheets are translated into French and Spanish and are available on the WCPA website under Fact Sheets and the Protected Areas Programme Website under what is a PA. The first fact sheet is on Marine Protected Areas.

[Fact Sheets](#)

World Parks Congress 2014

The IUCN Protected Area Programme and the World Commission on Protected Areas have commenced preparations for the VIth World Parks Congress (WPC) to be held in 2014. As a first step expressions of interest to host the 2014 WPC are being sought from Oceania and Europe (both West and East) as these are the regions yet to host a WPC. Accordingly a letter from the IUCN DG, Julia Marton-Lefèvre, has been sent to all state members and government agency members where there is no state member within these Regions. All relevant National Committees, relevant Regional Councillors and IUCN Regional Directors, relevant WCPA Regional Vice Chairs and other key IUCN staff have also received a copy of the letter too. IUCN members will also be advised shortly. The selection process for the host country will be based on that used for the IUCN World Conservation Congress.

Call for Contributions

The Platform for Agrobiodiversity Research invites your articles for its next newsletter. The Platform's Newsletter will contain: Information on the Platform's activities as well as issues focusing on agrobiodiversity; Announcements of future events and review of past workshops/conferences; and Introductions of new publications, websites of interest, funding opportunities. Your articles on the above topics should be 150 – 250 words in length; be accompanied by a corresponding photograph (map, illustration, ect.) indicating the author and caption; contain relevant contact details and link to website if applicable. We are also considering one or two feature articles longer in length (800-1,500 words) and welcome your suggestions. Please send us your contribution **by 5 February 2010** to the Platform Coordinator at platformcoordinator@cgiar.org.

Publications, Upcoming Events Tools and Courses

Upcoming Events

11-16 April 2010	International Healthy Parks Healthy People Congress, Melbourne Australia - Registration now open - More Information
3-7 May 2010	5th Global Conference on Ocean, Coasts and Islands, Paris, France, More information Call for Abstracts is open
23-26 June 2010	6th International Conference on Small Island Cultures, Guernsey More information Call for Papers
3-7 July 2010	24th International Congress for Conservation Biology: Conservation for a changing planet, Edmonton, Canada, More information

For more protected area events visit our webpage

http://www.iucn.org/about/union/commissions/wcpa/wcpa_focus/wcpa_events/

Publications available

WCPA Membership Directory [see Directory](#)

Towards a conservation strategy for the world's temperate grasslands [See Publication](#)

Protected areas and development in Latin America : From Santa Marta 1997 to Bariloche 2007 and perspectives for a new decade [See Publication En espanol](#)

Global Assessment of Light Pollution Impact on Protected Areas. [See Publication](#)

Biocultural Diversity Conservation: A Global Sourcebook [More information](#)

Newsletters

[Temperate Grasslands January](#)

[APAO News letter](#)

Articles of interest

[The velocity of climate change](#)

[Carrera de las especies para salvarse del cambio climático](#)

New Tools

Eco-based management Tools [For more information](#)

STATE OF THE WORLD'S BIRDS: Indicators for our Changing World [For more information](#)

Website of interest

IUCN IYB [Website](#)

[IPACC](#) - Indigenous Peoples of Africa Coordinating Committee participation at COP15

[Pacific/COP15 and AOSIS](#)

Courses now available on the PALNet website www.parksnet.org

12-29 de Abril del 2010 CURSO INTERNACIONAL GESTIÓN COMUNITARIA EN ÁREAS PROTEGIDAS, ZONAS DE AMORTIGUAMIENTO Y CORREDORES BIOLÓGICOS, CATIE, Costa Rica, for more information email www.catie.ac.cr

July upcoming CATIE/CI/CSU mobile seminar on PA management, Belize and Guatemala, given in English:
Brochure: http://www.catie.ac.cr/BancoMedios/Documentos%20PDF/capacita_2010_viii_intermobile.pdf
Application form: http://www.catie.ac.cr/BancoMedios/Documentos%20Office/capacita_2010_semmovilform.doc

July- August Colorado State University protected area short course [More information](#) - [En espanol](#)

13-24 September 2010 'Management Planning for Cultural Heritage' [More Information](#)

Positions available

Birdlife Project Development Specialist - based in Kenya with travel to Seychelles [More information](#)

Birdlife Regional Director for the BirdLife Africa Division - Nairobi, Kenya [More Information](#)

Positions available in IUCN [Click here](#)

Scholarships

Danielle de St Jorre Scholarship [For more information](#)

Reminders to WCPA Members

This monthly web update is your monthly web update. Please send us in your stories and publications, so that we can promote them in the next update. Email them to Delwyn delwyn.dupuis@iucn.org

Also please send us your change of contact, otherwise we cannot keep in contact with you.

Please note that IUCN now requires that all Commission logos be used in conjunction with the IUCN logos. To obtain them, please contact delwyn.dupuis@iucn.org.

If you are willing to share your photos with IUCN and help expand its Photo Library, please contact delwyn.dupuis@iucn.org

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For information on Species activities see their newsletter
<http://www.iucn.org/about/work/programmes/species/index.cfm>

For information on Marine activities see their newsletter
http://www.iucn.org/about/work/programmes/marine/gmp_newsletter/index.cfm

For more information on the Commission on Environment Economics and Social Policy [Newsletter](#)

Please visit the new WCPA website at www.iucn.org/wcpa

Photo: A Blue-and-yellow-macaw in the Bird Park of Iguaçu, Brazil by [Imène Meliane](#), 2006

