

**IUCN - Shell Partnership**  
**Minutes Synopsis of the 5th Steering Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday 8 December, 2009**  
**The Hague, The Netherlands**

**Present: Bill Jackson, Juan Marco Alvarez, Carl Gustaf Lundin, and Dennis Hosack (IUCN)**  
**Allard Castelein, David Martin, Niel Golightly, and Steven de Bie (Shell)**

The 5th IUCN – Shell Steering Committee (SC) meeting began, under the chairmanship of Allard Castelein, with opening remarks and apologies from Shiranee Yasaratne for being unable to attend this meeting. The meeting began with an approval of the Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Steering Committee meeting and one action item for the relationship managers: development of a proposal for an information exchange between the partners, based on the outcome of Copenhagen, by the end of the first quarter of 2010. The Steering Committee then engaged in a discussion of how better to stay informed of projects undertaken under the guise of the partnership, with a decision taken that the relationship managers should provide the Steering Committee members with a monthly update of the status of each project. There followed a general discussion of progress on the partnership projects associated with the Arctic, biofuels, North Sea, and the Biodiversity Action Plan Review. There continues to be slow progress made on the Arctic and north Sea projects, with some of the delay due to the 2009 Shell reorganization. The biofuels project is making very good progress, much to the efforts of dedicated staff and project champions within both Shell and IUCN. The Steering Committee members then began a discussion on the upcoming partnership review and were pleased with the process followed to choose an independent reviewer and also provided a few, minor changes to the terms of reference for the review. A review of the 2009 and 2010 proposed budgets were next on the agenda, with general agreement on the 2010 budget and satisfaction at the 2009 expenditures. The next meeting is to be held in June in Gland.

*25 January 2010*

*Dennis Hosack – IUCN*

*Steven de Bie – Shell International*