

UNITED NATIONS  
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Expert Group Meeting for  
Nature Conservation Programme in North-East Asia

19-21 December 2005, Nanjing, China

NEASPEC (North-East Asian Subregional Programme for Environmental Cooperation) consisting of China, DPR Korea, Japan, Mongolia, RO Korea and Russian Federation as member countries is implementing a project on the framework of a nature conservation programme in North-East Asia. This project particularly aims to formulate a subregional conservation strategy and action plan that will serve as an institutional basis for coordinated actions of the member countries on nature conservation.

Based on its goal, the upcoming Expert Group Meeting plans to draft the overall approaches of the conservation strategy and action plan focusing on the project's target species, which are three feline animal and three migratory bird species: namely, Amur Tiger, Far Eastern Leopard and Snow Leopard, White-naped Crane, Hooded Crane and Black-faced Spoonbill. In addition, the meeting will decide on the structure of a database system for the target species and select pilot projects, which will be undertaken in 2006.

As NEASPEC is an intergovernmental body of the six North-East Asian countries, the decisions of the meeting and ultimately the outcomes of the project are expected to play a pivotal role in expanding and strengthening subregional actions on nature conservation. Thus, UNESCAP as the secretariat of NEASPEC would like to welcome the participation of all stakeholders including NGOs, academic communities, local governments in the upcoming meeting and further activities under the project.

For more detailed information, please refer to the attached provisional agenda of the meeting.

Should you wish to participate in the meeting, please contact Mr. Sangmin Nam (email: [nams@un.org](mailto:nams@un.org)), Environmental Affairs Officer, Environment and Sustainable Development Division of UNESCAP or submit a copy of the attached Registration Form by fax: (66 2) 288-1025.

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## Provisional Agenda

### Monday, 19 December 2005

#### **08:30 – 09:00 Registration**

#### **09:00 – 09:45 Opening Session**

Opening Remark, by UNESCAP

Welcoming Remark, by Nanjing Institute of Environmental Sciences

Introduction to the meeting agenda, by Secretariat of NEASPEC

#### **09:45 – 11:00 Plenary Session 1: International Conservation Strategies for the Target Species**

Overview of Existing International Conservation Strategies and the Approach of NEASPEC,  
by Secretariat of NEASPEC

Regional/Subregional Actions on the Conservation of the Target Species

- Amur Tiger and Far East Leopard, Dr. Dale Miquelle, Wildlife Conservation Society
- Snow Leopard, Dr. Thomas McCarthy, International Snow Leopard Trust
- White-naped Crane and Hooded Crane, Mr. Yutaka Kanai, Wild Bird Society of Japan
- Black-faced Spoonbill, Mr. Simba Chan, BirdLife International Asia Division

#### **11:00 – 11:15 Tea Break**

#### **11:15 – 12:30 Plenary Session 2: National Conservation Strategies for the Target Species**

National Policies and Implementation for the Conservation of the Target Species, by national experts

- China
- Democratic People's Republic of Korea
- Mongolia
- Japan
- Republic of Korea
- Russian Federation

#### **12:30 – 14:00 Lunch**

#### **14:00 – 15:30 Group Exercise on Conservation Strategies**

*All participants are separated into two groups: feline animal and migratory birds.*

Topic 1 – Identify Key Subregional Strategies for the Conservation of the Target Species

Topic 2 – Analyse Potential and Constraints in the Identified Strategies

#### **15:30 – 15:45 Tea Break**

**15:45 – 18:00 Group Exercise on Conservation Strategies**

Topic 3 – Identify Key Approaches and Methods to Implement the Strategies

Topic 4 – Identify Specific Actions to Undertake

**18:30 Dinner Reception**

**Tuesday, 20 December 2005**

**09:00 – 10:30 Plenary Session 3: Preliminary Conservation Strategies of NEASPEC**

Outcome from the Group Exercise, by Rapporteur from Each Group

Discussions on the Efficient Formation of the Strategies as a NEASPEC Framework

**10:30 – 10:45 Tea Break**

**10:45 – 11:45 Plenary Session 4: Database Development**

Database: Data Composition, Collection and Management, by Secretariat of NEASPEC

Discussions on the Overall Direction of Database Development

**11:45 – 12:30 Group Exercise on Database**

Topic 1 – Identify Lists of Information and Data for Database

Topic 2 – Identify Procedures for Collecting and Managing Compatible Data among Member Countries

**12:30 – 14:00 Lunch**

**14:00 – 16:00 Group Exercise on Pilot Projects**

Topic 1 – Identify Potential Pilot Projects

Topic 2 – Draft Implementation Plan of the Identified Projects

**16:00 – 16:30 Tea Break**

**16:30 – 17:30 Plenary Session 5: Procedures of Implementation**

Presentation and Discussions on Procedures for Drafting Conservation Strategies, Collecting Data and Undertaking Pilot Projects

**17:30 – 18:30 Concluding Session**

Adopting the Conclusion of the EGM

Closing Remarks

**18:30 Dinner**

**Wednesday, 21 December 2005**

**09:00 – 18:00 Study Tour to Yancheng National Nature Reserves in Nanjing**

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REGISTRATION FORM

**Participant's Information**

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Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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Contact Nos.: (Tel) \_\_\_\_\_ (Fax) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Accommodation**

Please reserve my accommodation

I will make my own hotel arrangement

**Flight Itinerary**

Date of Arrival: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Departure: \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Arrival: \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Departure: \_\_\_\_\_

**Presentation**

I would like to make a presentation. The topic of my presentation is:

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Kindly return your registration form before 9 Dec 2005 to UNESCAP: Mr. Mr Sangmin Nam at  
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