



**THE SEVENTEENTH MEETING OF  
THE ASEAN WORKING GROUP ON THE CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL  
TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES ON WILD FAUNA AND FLORA AND  
WILDLIFE ENFORCEMENT  
(17<sup>TH</sup> AWG-CITES AND WE)**

**25 May 2022, Philippines  
Video Conference**

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**PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA**

*Draft 1*

**OPENED SESSION**

Philippines as the host country will deliver the welcoming remarks.

Myanmar as the outgoing Chair will deliver the opening remarks.

**AGENDA ITEM 1: ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON**

*In accordance with the ToR and ROP of the AWG on CITES and WE and ASEAN Protocol, Philippines and Singapore will resume as the Chairperson and Vice-chairperson of the Meeting, respectively.*

**AGENDA ITEM 2: ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

*The Meeting will consider and adopt its Agenda*

**CLOSED SESSIONS**

**AGENDA ITEM 3: PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY  
FRAMEWORK RELATED TO ASEAN COOPERATION IN  
FORESTRY, CITES AND WILDLIFE ENFORCEMENT**

***Matters Arising from the ASOF, SOM-AMAF and AMAF Meetings***

*The ASEAN Secretariat will inform the Meeting on the key decisions from the recent ASOF, AMAF and the other ASEAN Meetings related to Forestry, for information and notation.*

#### **AGENDA 4: SOMTC UPDATE IN COMBATING WILDLIFE AND TIMBER TRAFFICKING**

*Thailand (Lead of SOMTC-WG on Illicit Trafficking of Wildlife and Timber) will inform the initiatives related to combatting wildlife and timber trafficking.*

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5: MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 16<sup>TH</sup> AWG-CITES and WILDLIFE ENFORCEMENT, MYANMAR**

*Malaysia will inform the key outcomes of the 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of AWG CITES&WE Meeting and progress activities under her Chairmanship.*

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6: CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS ON CITES COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ISSUES**

##### **6.1 Matters related to the Meetings of the Standing Committee**

*Indonesia may wish to present the outcomes of the CITES standing committee.*

##### **6.2 Matters related to the Meetings of the Animals Committee**

*Indonesia, on behalf of the Asia regional representative for CITES Animals Committee member will present the related matters for the upcoming CITES Animals Committee meeting*

##### **6.3 Matters related to the Meetings of the Plants Committee**

*Indonesia, on behalf of the Asia regional representative for CITES Plants Committee (PC) will present the related matters for the upcoming CITES Plants Committee meeting.*

#### **AGENDA ITEM 7: PROGRESS ON ACTIVITIES RELEVANT TO WILDLIFE ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVES BY THAILAND (LEAD COUNTRY)**

##### **7.1 Strategic Action Plan Development at Regional Level**

*Thailand, as lead country (Thailand), will present relevant activities conducted since the last meeting. The report includes relevant wildlife enforcement activities such as transboundary cooperation, capacity building (training, seminars, workshops) and fund raising.*

*The Meeting may wish to take note of the progress and provide guidance.*

#### **AGENDA ITEM 8: COUNTRY PROGRES REPORTS ON WILDLIFE ENFORCEMENT**

*ASEAN Member States will update the Meeting on CITES implementation status and matters related to previous and next COP; and the Wildlife Enforcement*

*Initiatives in the country. AMS will also update the focal point for Wildlife Enforcement Network and activities of National-WEN.*

*Country progress/action reports to be presented by AMS will be guided by the Presentation Guidelines to briefly highlights:*

- (i) National-WEN
  - Update focal point of National-WEN
  - Structure/Governance*
- (ii) National strategy for combatting wildlife trafficking*
- (iii) National reporting mechanism to detect and prevent wildlife trafficking*
- (iv) New Initiatives undertaken by respective AMS, including updates on AMS national committees/task forces, capacity building etc;*
- (v) Sharing Benefits Mechanism for Local Communities in Illegal Wildlife trade*
- (vi) Significant CITES wildlife seizures, prosecutions, and convictions, including Highlight enforcement cases as country best practices;*
- (vii) Impact of COVID-19 pandemic to the wildlife enforcement activities*
- (viii) Challenges in dealing with Wildlife Enforcement*
- (ix) Recommendations and Future Plans nationally and regionally for strengthening cooperation on CITES and Wildlife Enforcement.*

*8.1. Brunei Darussalam*

*8.2. Cambodia*

*8.3. Indonesia*

*8.4. Lao PDR*

*8.5. Malaysia*

*8.6. Myanmar*

*8.7. Philippines*

*8.8. Singapore*

*8.9. Thailand*

*8.10. Viet Nam*

*The Meeting will discuss and share highlights on the country reports and activities and/or seek clarification on matters in the country reports.*

#### **AGENDA ITEM 9: PLAN OF ACTION (POA) ON ASEAN COOPERATION ON CITES AND WILDLIFE ENFORCEMENT**

*The Meeting will update the implementation of the of POA 2021-2025. The Meeting may wish to discuss additional activities/sub activities that relevant to action programme as necessary.*

##### **9.1: The ASEAN Strategy for Preventing Zoonotic Diseases Transmission from Wildlife Trade**

*The 24<sup>th</sup> ASOF Meeting agreed to develop the ASEAN Strategy for Preventing Zoonotic Diseases Transmission from Wildlife Trade as one of key deliverables for ASEAN Cooperation in Forestry 2022. ASEAN Secretariat will update the development of the ASEAN Strategy.*

**9.2: Policy Brief on Prevention of Zoonotic Diseases from Illegal Wildlife Trade through a One Health Approach**

*The POA 2021-2025 identified the need to conduct review/study on the risks of zoonotic diseases being spread through the legal and illegal international trade in wildlife and establish a policy and mechanisms to minimize this risk. Align with the ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework (ACRF) to promote awareness of the risks, the ASEAN with support of the partners has developed a policy brief on prevention of zoonotic diseases from IWT. The Meeting may wish to discuss and provide input/guidance to finalise the policy brief.*

**OPENED SESSIONS**

**AGENDA ITEM 10: OTHER MATTERS**

**10.1: Presentation/Update from the CITES Secretariat**

*CITES Secretariat will present update, highlights issues on the implementation of the Convention and recommendations for regional cooperation.*

**10.2: SEAFDEC-Progress and status of issues with regard to endangered aquatic species**

*Representative of SEAFDEC will update on progress and status of Endangered Aquatic Species issues.*

**10.3: Presentation by ASEAN-USAID PROSPECT**

*Representative of ASEAN-USAID PROSPECT will present potential collaboration with ASEAN in combatting wildlife trafficking.*

**10.4: TRAFFIC Southeast Asia**

*Representative of TRAFFIC Southeast Asia will present potential collaboration and relevant initiatives to support CITES and Wildlife Enforcement cooperation.*

**10.5: Presentation by ASEAN Center for Biodiversity (ACB)**

*Representative of ACB will present potential collaboration with ASEAN in improving wildlife enforcement and combating illegal wildlife trade.*

**10.6: Presentation by USAID Reducing Demand for Wildlife (USAID-RDW)**

*Representative of RDW will present potential collaboration with ASEAN in combatting wildlife trafficking.*

**10.7: Presentation by WWF**

*Representative of WWF will present potential collaboration with ASEAN in combatting wildlife trafficking.*

**AGENDA ITEM 11: DATE AND VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

*Singapore will inform the meeting on the date and venue of the 18<sup>th</sup> AWG CITES and WE Meeting.*

**AGENDA ITEM 12: ADOPTION OF THE REPORT**

*The Meeting may consider and adopt the report of the 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of AWG CITES and WE.*

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