



Asia Protected Areas Partnership

An innovative mechanism to help countries achieve the Aichi Biodiversity Targets

Side Event No. 2701

18:15 – 19:45, Wednesday 21 November 2018 / M7 - Youth Room, Building 1

The Asia Protected Areas Partnership (APAP) has been designed as a key platform to help governments and other stakeholders collaborate for more effective management of protected areas in the region.

APAP seeks to:

- Promote best practices and innovative solutions to the challenges facing the region's protected areas, through knowledge sharing and capacity building;
- Promote enhanced transboundary and regional cooperation; and
- Raise awareness of the multiple benefits of Asia's protected areas.

Significant progress has been made since the formal launch of APAP in 2014 at the World Parks Congress in Sydney, and the Partnership has tremendous potential to become a truly regional voice and platform for protected areas in Asia.

APAP country membership now stands at 17 Members from 14 countries across Asia as well as one Associate Member. The Partnership is currently co-chaired by IUCN, the International Union for Conservation of Nature, and the Ministry of Environment, Republic of Korea. For details, please visit us at:

www.asiaprotectedareaspartnership.org

This side event will share the lessons learned from APAP to date and explore the role that regional protected area partnerships can play in fostering innovative PA management approaches, addressing the increasing pressures on protected areas, and achieving the Aichi Biodiversity Targets.

We hope to see you there!

Time	Agenda
18.15-18.25	Opening remarks
18.25-19.40	Introduction to the Asia Protected Areas Partnership (APAP): History, objectives, and current status
18.40-19.10	The benefits of regional protected area networks (presentations from APAP country Members)
19.10-19.40	Capacity-building opportunities for APAP Members, including best protected area management practices: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative management • Human-wildlife conflict • Managing protected areas effectively
19.40-19.45	Closing remarks



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