STRP16 - Annex III

List of Anticipated products from the work of the STRP 2009-2012, for COP11 consideration and other products

Explanatory Notes:

- 1. This annex provides a provisional list of the outputs and products which the STRP and its Thematic Work Areas (TWAs) and task groups currently anticipate, as of February 2011, will be prepared for consideration by Standing Committee and COP11, as well as other types of products which are also anticipated to be progressed during the 2009-2012 cycle.
- 2. It is to be noted that this is a provisional list and that a) some anticipated products may not be progressed if additional funds are not secured, and b) the category of product may be changed for some products as STRP's work is further progressed and refined during the rest of the cycle.
- 4. Draft Resolutions that are not submitted to Standing Committee 42 (16-20 May 2011) will have to be submitted to SC43 (31 Oct -4 Nov 2011) for approval.

Document to be submitted to the Ramsar Secretariat for sign off	Deadline
DRs with or without annexed guidance	31 July 2011
Info Papers supporting DRs	31 December 2011, but preferably earlier
Stand alone Info Papers	31 March 2012

Timelines to COP11:

Draft Resolutions with or without annexed guidance and Info Papers

Task N.	Title	Products	Task lead
8.4	Designating Ramsar Sites: a revised Strategic Framework and Guidelines for the future development of the List of Wetlands of International Importance*	 DR with annexed guidance (Strat. Fram 2012 revision & RIS – 2012 revision) 2 Info Papers: A) Background, rationale and implementation plan for the revised Strategic Framework and Guidelines for the future development of the List of Wetlands of International Importance and RIS B) Examples of information from designated Ramsar Sites compiled in the RIS – 2012 revision format 	David Stroud
2.4	Wetlands and energy issues	DR with annexed guidanceInfo Paper: A summary of wetlands and energy issues	Heathe r MacKay
6.1/6.2	Wetlands and climate change - updated issues and considerations for the Ramsar Convention	 DR with annexed guidance Info Paper: Wetlands and climate change in the IPCC 4th Assessment Report and REDD+ considerations 	Max Finlayson
2.6	Wetlands and poverty eradication: a Ramsar framework and indicators	DR with annexed guidance	Ritesh Kumar
2.7	Overarching principles for urban planning and wetlands	 DR with annexed guidance Info Paper: Rationale and practical considerations for guidance on urban planning and wetlands 	Rob McInnes
9.1	A Framework for Avoiding, Mitigating, and Compensating for Wetland Losses	 DR with annexed guidance Info Paper: Lessons learned from "no net loss" policies, and other issues for wetland mitigation and compensation. 	Roy Gardner
2.1/5.1	Wetlands and health: an ecosystem approach	 DR with annexed guidance (Summaries/key messages for a)wetlands & human health report and b) wildlife diseases manual) Info Paper: Background information on wetlands and human health issues 	Pierre Horwitz and Ruth Cromie
Future Priorities	Scientific and technical priorities for the implementation of the Convention for the 2013-2015 triennium	DR with annexed guidance	Heather MacKay
2.9	Tourism and wetlands	DR probably with annexed guidance	Nick Davidson
7.4	Wetlands and water resource storage	DRInfo Paper	Mike Acreman
2.14	Pesticides, rice and wetlands	• DR	George Lukacs

2.x (IPBES)	The Ramsar Convention and the Intergovernmental Panel on Biodiversity and Ecosystem	• DR	Heather MacKay
	Service (IPBES)	• Info Paper: Recommendations on the future engagement of the Ramsar Convention in the Intergovernmental Panel on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Service (IPBES) process.	
modus operandi	Adjustments to the STRP <i>modus</i> operandi	• DR (panel composition & invited observer organizations 2013-2015)	Nick Davidson
Cross sectoral	Cross-sectoral engagement and implementation support for the wise use of wetlands	DR (possible depending on SC42 Advice)	Heather MacKay
4.3	Developing enhanced tools to support implementation of the Ramsar Strategic Plan 2009-2015	• Info Paper: Developing a searcheable web-portal as a tool to support enhanced implementation of the Ramsar Strategic Plan 2009-2015	Dave Pritchard and Peter Herkenrath
4.4	Examples of existing approaches to establishing Limits of acceptable change (LAC) in the ecological character of Ramsar Sites	• Info Paper (if resources permit)	Dave Pritchard
4.1/4.8	Approach and further development of a periodic "State of the World's Wetlands and their services to people" (SOWWS) report	 2 Info Papers (provisional): A) Approach and further development of a periodic "State of the World's Wetlands and their services to people" report B) "The state of the world's wetlands and their services to people" summary report 	Dave Pritchard
2.3	A guide to available guidance on assessing, avoiding, minimizing and mitigating direct and indirect impacts of extractive industries on wetlands	• Info Paper ((joint report - Ramsar and AEWA))	Heather MacKay
8.9	Cooperative approaches to the management of Transboundary Ramsar Sites and transboundary wetlands	• Info Paper	Roy Gardner
9.2	Review and proposals for revisions to the Convention's guidance on wetland restoration	• Info Paper	Kevin Erwin, Rob McInnes
8.x (new)	Using wetland classifications for different Ramsar conservation and wise use implementation	• Info Paper (possible)	Nick Davidson
4.x (new)	Links between wetlands, the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and human health	• Info Paper (possible)	Pierre Horwitz
2.2	A summary of global agriculture assessments and their relevance to Ramsar and wetlands	• Info Paper (possible)	George Lukacs

STRP Technical Advisory Notes/Briefing Notes

Note. This category of STRP outputs of advisory or briefing notes from the Panel are designed to provide information to Contracting Parties and others on issues arising from STRP's work, but are shorter than the detailed technical reviews and methodological reports published as *Ramsar Technical Reports*. They will be made available on the Ramsar website in English, as well as in French and Spanish when the availability of additional translation resources permit.

Task N.	Title	Lead
New 4.x	Links between wetlands, the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and Pierre I human health (possible)	
New 2.x	The concept of "novel ecosystems" and its implications for the Ramsar Convention under a changing climate	Max Finlayson
7.x	Strategies for mainstreaming wetlands in water sector	Mike Acreman
2.4	Current and emerging trends in energy sectors	Heather MacKay
10.1	A review of the utility of Ramsar guidance	Nick Davidson
10.1	Considerations for the future development of guidance for Ramsar implementation	Heather MacKay and Secretariat
10.2	Profiles of different categories of wetland managers	Chris Prietto
10.2	A Guide to the use of Ramsar guidance for wetland managers	tbc
10.5	A strategic approach to STRP's future engagement with other bodies and organizations	Heather MacKay and Secretariat
7.3	Wetlands and water quality (possible)	tbc
9.2	Recommendations on the needs of wetland restoration practitioners and Site managers	Kevin Erwin and Rob McInnes

Ramsar Technical Reports (RTR)

Note. *Ramsar Technical Reports* (*RTRs*) provide detailed technical background reviews and reports prepared by the STRP at the request of Contracting Parties which would previously have been made available in most instances only as "Information Papers" for a Conference of the Parties (COP). Publication of these materials as *RTRs* is designed to ensure increased and longer-term accessibility of such documents. All *Ramsar Technical Reports* are peer-reviewed by the members and observers appointed to the STRP and by independent experts. *RTRs* are published in PDF electronic format and in English only, unless resources are available to provide them also in French and Spanish.

Published in 2010:

• A framework for a wetland inventory meta-database. Lowry, J. 2010. Ramsar Technical Report No. 4.

In preparation, completion carried over from STRP's 2006-2008 Work Plan:

- A review of Ramsar Sites and fisheries management
- "Healthy wetlands, healthy people": a review of wetlands and human health interactions (joint publication with the World Health Organisation)

- Vulnerability Assessment of wetlands: Guidance on methodologies for vulnerability assessment of wetlands to change in ecological character
- Biogeographic regionalisation, and the distribution and gaps in Ramsar Site designations for different wetland types
- Environmental flow determination and implementation
- Population estimates and 1% thresholds for the application of Criterion 9 for Ramsar Site designation
- Methods and models for assessing the role of wetlands in the global carbon cycle
- River basin management: critical path application case studies
- Determination of environmental water requirements for estuaries, coastal and near-shore wetlands
- Determination of environmental water requirements for rivers
- The Convention's development of Criteria and guidelines for Ramsar Site designation 1971-2010

In preparation in STRP Work Plan 2009-2012:

- A manual for the management of wetlands and wildlife diseases [2.1]
- A low-cost flyway-scale methodology for identifying wetlands likely to be vulnerable to the impacts of extractive industries [2.3] (joint report Ramsar and AEWA)

Planned in STRP Work Plan 2009-2012:

- Water resources management in dry and sub-humid lands [7.5]
- A synthesis of wetlands and climate change issues in published IPCC reports [6.1.iv] (possible)
- The State of the World's Wetlands and their services to people (SOWWS) [4.2] (possible)
- Global waterbird flyways initiatives experiences and good practices: workshop proceedings [2.11]

Other products

Note. Task numbers are indicated in square brackets.

In preparation in STRP Work Plan 2009-2012:

- STRP redeveloped Web-portal and Support Service- web-site [1.3]
- Guidance on addressing wetlands in UN-HABITAT Sustainable Cities process [2.7]
- Adaptive approaches for water management and allocation and wetlands experiences from the Murray-Darling Basin [6.1]
- Developing a "Global Wetland Outlook" and "State of the World's Wetlands" reporting through a Global Wetland Observing System (G-WOS) mechanism concept note [4.2]
- Special edition of the Journal of International Law & Wildlife Policy: The Ramsar Convention 40 years on journal issue
- Misconceptions about wetland management for carbon sequestration journal paper [6.1]

Planned in STRP Work Plan 2009-2012:

- Wetlands and human health: key messages for decision-makers and for wetland managers [5.1]
- A Ramsar Convention/ World Health Organisation framework for technical collaboration [5.1]
- Conceptual & systematic approaches to addressing wetland ecosystem health concept paper [5.1]

- Wetlands, natural disasters and human health scoping paper [5.1]
- Poverty eradication and wetlands: case studies [2.3]
- Economic sectors and their relevance to wetlands scoping paper [2.5]
- Wetlands and economics findings from the TEEB initiative synthesis report [to be confirmed following discussion with TEEB] [2.5]
- A framework for guidance on biodiversity and rice cultivation scoping paper [2.1]
- An on-line wetland inventory metadatabase web-site [4.2]
- The History of Wetland Ecology: proceedings of an SWS 2010 conference symposium possible journal issue
- Waterbird flyways initiatives experiences and good practices journal paper [2.11]
- The relationships between human population density and coastal wetlands (proposed report by CIESIN to Ramsar) [6.1]
- The resilience of different wetland types to climate change scoping paper [6.1]
- Examples of Ramsar/Wetland National Committees