

Workshop of Range States of the American Eel

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DRAFT AGENDA AND MEETING SCHEDULE

The workshop will provide a unique opportunity to bring together all available information on the science and management of American eel throughout its range, and identify the challenges and difficulties associated with harvest, enforcement strategies and efforts, and regulation of trade, including illegal trade of the species. These data will form the basis of a report that Canada and the United States will submit to the upcoming CITES meetings

Wednesday 4 April 2018

Time	Agenda Item
08.30 –09.00	Registration
09.00 –10.00	<p>Welcome Session & Introductions</p> <p>Hosts Minister of Environment and Natural Resources, Government of Dominican Republic (or Representative)</p> <p>Representative of Sponsors Laura Noguchi, CITES Management Authority, United States Fish and Wildlife Service Jennifer Shaw, CITES Scientific Authority, Fisheries and Oceans Canada</p> <p>Organizers Dr. David Freestone (Executive Secretary, Sargasso Sea Commission)</p> <p><i>Participant Introductions</i></p>

<p>10.00-11.00</p>	<p>Session 1 CITES Eel Decisions and Global Range of American Eel</p> <p><i>This session will set out the background of the work of, and rationale for, the CITES Animals Committee consideration of the Anguillid eel species and then look at the range and migratory behavior of A. rostrata.</i></p> <p><i>Chair: Dr. David Freestone</i> <i>Rapporteur: Mari-Beth DeLucia</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background to the CITES Animal Committee Meeting Dr. Matt Gollock (Zoological Society of London; Chair, IUCN Anguillid Eel Specialist Group) • The Geography of the American Eel Dr. David Cairns (Research Scientist, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada) <p><i>Questions and Discussion</i></p>
<p>11.00 –11.30</p>	<p>Coffee Break</p>
<p>11.30 – 13.00</p>	<p>Session 2 Overview of Global Trade in A. rostrata</p> <p><i>This Session will provide an overview of the trade in A. rostrata within the context of global trade in Anguillids and then US initiatives to control and counter illegal trade</i></p> <p><i>Chair: Dr. Matt Gollock</i> <i>Rapporteur: Robert Vagg</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global Trade of American Eels Including Legal and Illegal Trade Vicki Crook (Independent Consultant, formerly TRAFFIC) • U.S. Enforcement Efforts and Transnational Investigations of the Trafficking in American Eel Special Agent Amy Snyder, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Office of Law Enforcement (OLE) <p><i>Questions and Discussion</i></p>
<p>13.00 –1400</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>14.00 –16.00</p>	<p>Session 3 Country Presentations on American Eel</p> <p><i>This session will provide an assessment of the results of the participants’ questionnaires, followed by the three initial presentations from DR, Canada, and US</i></p>

	<p><i>Chair: Representative of DR</i> <i>Rapporteur: Vicki Crook</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mari-Beth DeLucia (IUCN Anguillid Eel Specialist Group) <p>Opening Presentations by Hosts and Sponsors: Dominican Republic Canada United States (30 minutes each)</p> <p><i>Including Questions and Discussion</i></p>
16.00 - 16.30	Tea Break
16.30 – 17.30	<p>Session 4 Country presentations continue... <i>This session will continue the country presentations by the participating countries 5-10 minutes each</i> <i>Chair: Dr Matt Gollock</i> <i>Rapporteur: Teresa Mackey</i></p> <p>Bahamas Belize Costa Rica Cuba Haiti Honduras Jamaica Nicaragua Panama</p> <p><i>Including Questions and Discussion</i></p>
17.30	Wrap up of Day 1
19.30 -	Reception and Dinner (Da Vinci Salon)

Thursday 5 April 2018

Time	Agenda
09.00 - 09.30	<p>Session 5 Brief Summary of Day 1 <i>Chair: Dr. David Freestone</i> <i>Vicki Crook, Robert Vagg, Matt Gollock, and Teresa Mackey will report.</i></p>
09:30 – 11.00	<p>Session 6 Country presentations continue... <i>Including Questions and Discussion</i></p>
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee Break
11.30-13.00	<p>Session 7 Country presentations continue and conclude. <i>Including Questions and Discussion</i></p>
13.00-14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 14.15	<p>Session 8 Tasking of Three Breakout Groups <i>Chair: Dr. David Freestone</i> <i>This session explains the purpose of the Breakout Sessions and what each should aim to achieve.</i> Two Groups to consider Status, Management and Trade and one Group on Enforcement. Will meet in different rooms with translators. Group 1 <i>Moderator David Freestone</i> <i>Rapporteur Mari-Beth DeLucia</i> Group 2 <i>Moderator Matt Gollock</i> <i>Rapporteur; Vicki Crook</i> Group 3 Enforcement <i>(Separately organized with its own briefing)</i></p>
14.30- 16.00	Session 9 Breakout Groups begin work
16.00 -16.30	Tea Break
16.30 -17.30	Session 10 Breakout Groups Continue

17.30	Wrap Up for the Day
19.30 -	Dinner at the Hotel (Da Vinci Salon)

Friday 6 April 2018

Time	Agenda
09.00 – 9.30	Session 9 Summary of Day 2 <i>Moderators and Rapporteurs</i>
9.30 - 11.00	Session 10 Breakout Groups continue
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee Break
11.30 – 13.00	Session 11 Detailed reports from Breakout groups back to Plenary 15- 20 minutes each <i>Chair: DR Rep</i> <i>Rapporteurs from each Breakout group:</i> Questions and Discussion
13.00-14.00	Lunch
14.00- 16.00	Session 12 Development of Conclusions and Recommendations <i>Chair: Dr. Matt Gollock</i> <i>Rapporteur: Robert Vagg</i> Questions and Discussion
16.00 – 17.30	Session 13 Finalization of Conclusions, next steps and further and Recommendations <i>Chair: Dr. David Freestone</i> <i>Rapporteur: Dr Matt Gollock</i> Wrap up and Closing
19.30	Final Reception and Dinner (Poolside)