

## Draft Agenda

### UNESCO Regional Workshop for Periodic Reporting of the Natural and Mixed World Heritage Properties in the Asia-Pacific Region 10-13 March 2002

#### Field Trip: 10 March 2002

**10.00-16.00** Field trip to Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area hosted by NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service.

#### WELCOME AND DINNER

**18.30** Traditional Owners Welcome

**19:00** Opening Address. (*Mr Roger Beale AM, Secretary, Department of the Environment and Heritage*)

Barbecue hosted by Environment Australia.

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#### Day 1: 11 March 2002

#### REGIONAL WORKSHOP OPENING

**8.30** Welcome and Introductory Comments: Mr Kevin Keeffe, Assistant Secretary, Environment Australia

**8.45** Congratulatory message by UNESCO Representative, Mr Qunli Han, Programme Specialist of UNESCO Jakarta Office

#### OVERVIEW OF WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION AND PERIODIC REPORTING

**9.00** Introduction of the Periodic Reporting Exercise in the Asia/Pacific Region by Representative of the UNESCO World Heritage Centre (Mr Feng Jing)

**9.45** *Refreshment Break*

**10.15 Representative of IUCN**, Dr Kishore Rao, The World Conservation Union and Periodic Reporting: assessing management effectiveness and improving site conservation & management

**11.15 Representative of ICOMOS** International, Ms Sheridan Burke: Current trends and challenges in the development of the monitoring system for Cultural World Heritage

**12.00** *Lunch*

**13.30 Representative of ICCROM** Mr Gamini Wijesuriya: Current trends and challenges in the development of capacity-building mechanism for World Heritage in the Asia/Pacific Region.

**14.00 Plenary Discussion**

**15.00** *Refreshment Break*

#### KEY NOTE CASE STUDIES

**15.30** Approach to Periodic Reporting and identification of key issues for workshop through case studies: Indonesia (Komodo National Park WHA); Australia (Wet Tropics WHA); New Zealand (Tongariro National Park WHA).

**Plenary Discussion**

**17.00 Chair's summary** Day 1 Session ends.

## **Day 2: 12 March 2002**

### **PARALLEL WORKING GROUP SESSIONS<sup>1</sup>**

**8.30** Introduction by Chair and establishment of working group process.

**9.00** Parallel working group discussions on implications for periodic reporting at national and regional levels: based on property specific examples and common issues in thematic areas.

**Note:** Rapporteurs needed for each group.

**10.00** *Refreshment Break*

**10.30** Parallel working group discussions (cont.).

### **REPORT OF WORKING GROUPS TO PLENARY**

**11:30** Report of working groups to Plenary identifying the implications for periodic reporting at national and regional levels.

**12.30** *Lunch*

**14.00** Report of working groups to Plenary (cont).  
Plenary Discussion

**15:00** *Refreshment Break*

**15.30** Chair's summary: grouping of key issues requiring further work/resolution in next Working Group session.

[**Note:** The number of Working Groups may reduce to 3 to discuss these key issues]

### **REPORTING FORMAT WORKING GROUPS**

A major aim of the meeting is to refine the structure and format of the periodic report process, and to make recommendations for the next steps leading to the synthetic reporting for the whole region in 2003.

**16:30** Parallel working group discussions and development of recommendations on key issues.

**Note:** Rapporteurs needed for each group.

**18.00** Day 2 Session ends Rapporteurs meet to prepare summary for Day 3.

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<sup>1</sup> See Attachment for explanatory note on thematic working groups

**Day 3: 13 March 2002**

**REPORTING FORMAT WORKING GROUPS (CONT)**

**8.30** Rapporteurs report back to Plenary on outcomes of Day 2.

**8.45** Working group discussions, development of formal recommendations.

**10.30** *Refreshment Break*

**11.00** Working group discussions (cont'd).

**12.00** Rapporteurs report back to Plenary.

**12.30** Rapporteur's meet and synthesise recommendations.

**12:30** *Lunch*

**REPORT OF FORMAT WORKING GROUPS TO PLENARY**

**13.30** Plenary discussion: development of recommendations; Discussion of format recommendations; agreement/consensus on format and next steps re synthetic reporting for Asia-Pacific region.

**Discussion**

**15.30** *Refreshment Break*

**16.00** Formal closure of workshop – Meeting Report endorsed.

### Explanatory Note for Working Groups

To enable property managers to share experiences and facilitate discussion of issues relevant to common needs and interests it is proposed that working groups be organised along thematic lines. This may assist in developing networks and contribute to WH strategic planning and other initiatives under the umbrella of the 'Global Strategy'. Please note that these themes will not be the organising principle for periodic reports.

Attached to the agenda is a list of reporting properties invited to the workshop allocated against six thematic categories of:

- wetlands
- coasts, islands and marine
- mountains
- wildlife (a number of countries have specific wildlife sanctuaries/reserves listed)
- forests
- cultural landscapes/mixed natural and cultural sites

It is recognised that many properties have combinations of a number of thematic attributes and values, for the purpose of this outline the most dominant or important attribute has been used to allocate sites against thematic categories. Although parallel sessions present the problem of restricting people to certain sessions, the arrangement is time efficient and enables participation of all invited international representatives.

### Suggested Breakdown of Asia-Pacific WH Properties Subject to Periodic Reporting by Predominant Themes

(Note: Indicative only, based on a primary WH property value – some properties may be included in thematic groups other than those indicated below.)

#### **Wetlands**

##### *Australia*

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| 1. Kakadu National Park (Australia) | 1981 (ext. 1987.1992) |
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##### *India*

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| 2. Sundarbans National Park (India) | 1987 |
| 3. Keoladeo National Park           | 1985 |

#### **Coasts, Islands and Marine**

##### *Australia*

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|---------------------------|------|
| 1. Great Barrier Reef     | 1981 |
| 2. Lord Howe Island Group | 1982 |
| 3. Shark Bay              | 1990 |
| 4. Fraser Island          | 1992 |

##### *Philippines*

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| 5. Tubbatha Reef Marine Park | 1993 |
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##### *Vietnam*

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| 6. Ha Long Bay | 1994 |
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##### *Indonesia*

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| 7. Komodo National Park | 1991 |
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#### **Mountains**

##### *China*

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| 1. Wulingyuan Scenic and Historic Interest Area | 1992 |
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<i>India</i>	
2. Nanda Devi National Park	1988
<i>Japan</i>	
3. Shirakami-Sanchi	1993
<i>Nepal</i>	
4. Sagarmatha National Park	1979
<i>New Zealand</i>	
5. Te Wahipounamu - South West New Zealand	1990
<b>Wildlife</b>	
<i>China</i>	
1. Jiuzhaigou Valley Scenic and Historic Interest Area (Panda)	1992
<i>India</i>	
1. Kaziranga National Park	1985
2. Manas Wildlife Sanctuary	1985
<i>Nepal</i>	
3. Royal Chitwan National Park	1984
<i>Thailand</i>	
4. Thungyai-Huai Kha Khaeng Wildlife Sanctuaries	1991
<b>Forests</b>	
<i>Australia</i>	
1. Central Eastern Rainforest Reserves	1986 (ext. 1994)
2. Wet Tropics	1988
<i>China</i>	
3. Huanglong Scenic and Historic Interest Area	1992
<i>Indonesia</i>	
4. Ujung Kulon National Park	1991
<i>Japan</i>	
5. Yakushima	1993
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	
6. Sinharaja Forest Reserve	1988
<b>Cultural Landscapes/Mixed C&amp;N Properties</b>	
<i>Australia</i>	
1. Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park	1987 (c/landscape 1994)
2. Willandra Lakes Region	1981
3. Tasmanian Wilderness	1982 (ext. 1989)
4. Australian Fossil Mammal Sites-Riversleigh/Naracoorte	1994 (natural landscape)
<i>China</i>	
4. Mount Taishan	1987 (C & N)
5. Mount Huangshan	1990 (C & N)
<i>New Zealand</i>	
6. Tongariro National Park	1990/1993 (c/landscape 1993)