

4.011 Development of an automated system to record members' actions on Resolutions and Recommendations to improve reporting at, and between, World Conservation Congresses

FOLLOWING discussions at the IUCN South African National Committee meetings since the previous World Conservation Congress;

NOTING the repeated requests expressed by members at the current IUCN World Conservation Congress for feedback on how motions adopted by previous World Conservation Congresses have been taken up and implemented;

CONCERNED that to date no formal, structured and readily collated mechanism exists for members to report on, monitor, coordinate and manage their contributions to the implementation of the motions adopted by each World Conservation Congress; nor is there any mechanism to identify and respond to those Resolutions and Recommendations which may be inadequately implemented or taken up during the intersessional period;

RECOGNIZING that an ability to monitor progress in implementation of motions, including allowing breakdown at different scales, as appropriate, i.e. global, regional, national and local, will allow individual members, national and regional members' groupings, and IUCN in general to better implement and monitor the implementation of the motions adopted; and

NOTING that current information technologies easily allow for on-line multi-party reporting systems;

The World Conservation Congress at its 4th Session in Barcelona, Spain, 5-14 October 2008:

1. RECOMMENDS that an on-line, automated system for members to submit contributions on their activities in relation to implementing the Resolutions and Recommendations adopted by each World Conservation Congress is developed as soon as possible;
2. REQUESTS that the system is constructed in such a way as to be readily customized for different scales and uptake as appropriate to the geographic scope of each Resolution or Recommendation as well as the geographic mandates of individual members and members' groupings; and
3. RECOMMENDS that IUCN National and Regional Committees be mandated to mobilize their members to populate this system and to include progress on this in their reports as required in IUCN Regulations, paragraph 66(d): "... send a report on their activities to the Director General and the Council once a year";

In addition, the World Conservation Congress, at its 4th Session in Barcelona, Spain, 5-14 October 2008, provides the following guidance concerning implementation of the IUCN Programme 2009-2012:

4. CALLS ON the Director General to expedite the development of such a system.

State and agency members of the United States voted against this motion.