

The "Synergies-NBSAPs mandate"

- Numerous decisions from the governing bodies of the biodiversity-related Conventions call for synergies, enhanced collaboration, increased coherence...
- NBSAPs revision, update and implementation under Aichi Target 17 constitutes a great opportunity to improve concrete collaboration and build synergies among the biodiversity-related agreements

CBD Decision X/5:

- ...Support for the updating of national biodiversity strategies and action plans as effective instruments to promote the implementation of the Strategic Plan and the mainstreaming of biodiversity at the national level, taking into account synergies among the biodiversity-related conventions, in a manner consistent with their respective mandates...
- ...Collaborate with the secretariats of the other biodiversity-related conventions to facilitate the participation of national focal points of these agreements, as appropriate, in the updating and implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans and related enabling activities...

CBD Decision XI/6:

 ...Stresses the role of national biodiversity strategies and action plans in developing a coherent approach at the national level, and *encourages* Parties to incorporate the objectives of the biodiversity related-conventions and the other Rio conventions into their revised national biodiversity strategies and action plans, as appropriate, and to support this through all appropriate means;

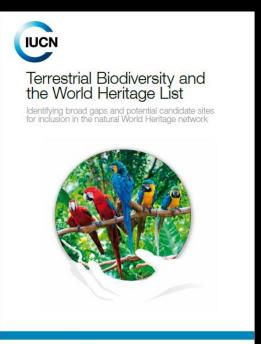
World Heritage Convention

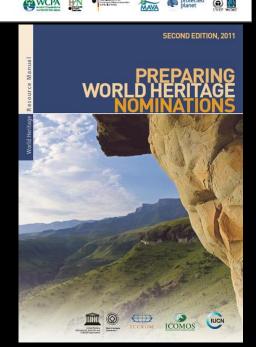
222 Natural World Heritage Sites ... (10% of protected areas globally)

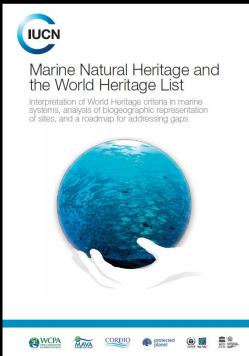
Protecting the most exceptional places in the world, characterized by their outstanding biodiversity, ecosystems, geology or superb natural phenomena...

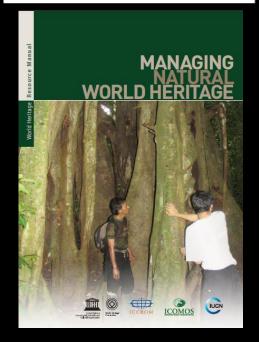
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37 COM 5A §8. [...] requests State Parties to ensure their National **Biodiversity Strategy** and their Action Plans fully consider the importance of natural World Heritage sites to achieve the Aichi **Biodiversity Targets**;



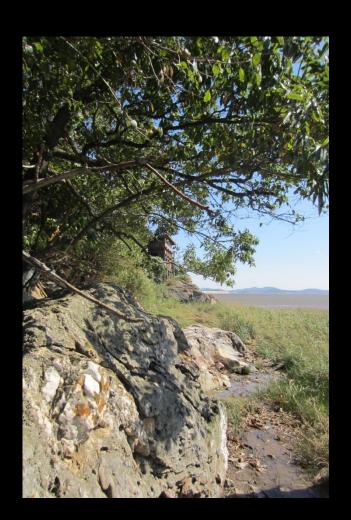






Ramsar Convention

- 2168 sites in the Ramsar List of Wetlands of International Importance
- The Ramsar Convention works increasingly closely with CBD through a joint work plan and acts as the CBD's lead implementation partner for wetlands.
- Urgent need for closer communication and collaboration between national focal points to achieve joint implementation on-the-ground.



Key message for CBD National focal points:

- the focal points of the other biodiversityrelated Conventions want to work with you!
 - in the ongoing NBSAP revision process
 - in implementation
- You have a key responsibility to ensure that priorities from all MEAs are reflected in the revised NBSAPs.
- This should be a "must" for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity to be achieved.