

Decisions 15.175 to 15.178 - Internationally Important Raptor Areas (IIRAs)

15.175

Decision directed to: Parties

a) Parties within the geographic scope of the Raptors MOU are requested to support the identification of new IIRAs by proposing new areas to the Technical Advisory Group of the Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation of Migratory Birds of Prey in Africa and Eurasia (Raptors MOU); b) Parties beyond the geographic scope of the Raptors MOU are requested to support the identification of IIRAs with the support of the Flyways Working Group.

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Decision directed to: IGOs & NGOs

Intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are encouraged to: a) actively contribute to the identification of proposed IIRAs within the geographic scope of the Raptors MOU and support Parties to submit proposals to the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) of the Raptors MOU; b) actively engage with and provide support to the TAG for the process of identifying IIRAs; c) support, beyond the Raptors MOU geographic scope, the identification of IIRAs, and support Parties to submit proposals for listing to the Flyways Working Group.

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Decision directed to: Scientific Council

The Scientific Council is requested to support the TAG in identifying IIRAs for CMS-listed raptor species within the geographic scope of the Raptors MOU, through sharing information and data and support the Flyways Working Group, in the development of equivalent processes for identifying IIRAs and listing the resulting sites for other flyways outside the geographic scope of the Raptors MOU.

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Decision directed to: Secretariat

The Secretariat shall: a) assist the Flyways Working Group to develop mechanisms for identifying, assessing and listing IIRAs in flyways beyond the geographical scope of the Raptors MOU; b) inform the Parties of newly identified IIRAs; c) facilitate consultation and

coordination between the TAG in the African-Eurasian Flyway, equivalent processes in other flyways, Parties, Range States, and relevant international and regional organizations with a view to establishing a mutually supported, science- and ecosystem-based approach to conservation and sustainability of IIRAs; d) report to the Conference of the Parties at its 16th meeting on the implementation of this Decision.