

The 11th Meeting of the East Asian Biosphere Reserve Network

“Implementation of MAB’s Seville Strategy and Madrid Action Plan in Biosphere Reserves”

10-15 November 2009
Wuyishan Biosphere Reserves



Organized by
Chinese MAB National Committee
Fujian Wuyishan National Nature Reserve Bureau
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Chinese National Commission for UNESCO

Introduction

At the EABRN-10 meeting held in Terelj National Park, Mongolia during September 2007, Chinese Member proposed to host the EABRN-11 at China, and it was warmly accepted by the meeting.

The EABRN priority issues such as implementation of Seville Strategy, Madrid Action Plan, conservation policies, ecotourism, capacity building, the linkage between cultural and biological diversity and Transboundary biodiversity conservation will be discussed. As always, a Biosphere Reserve field evaluation will be carried out at Wuyishan Biosphere Reserve which is also part of Natural Heritage.

Objectives

The EABRN-11 aims particularly to achieve the following objectives:

- Exchange information and experience on conservation and management of biosphere reserves and other similarly managed protected areas in the East Asian countries in light of the Seville Strategy, Madrid Action Plan, Adaptation to Climate Change and Biosphere Reserve as learning site for Sustainable Development;
- Review and update EABRN activities on its priority issues;
- Carry out a field evaluation for the Wuyishan Biosphere Reserve;
- Elaborate an activity plan for EABRN cooperation for the period of 2010 ~ 2011.

Theme

The workshop will mainly focused on “Implementation of MAB’s Seville Strategy and Madrid Action Plan in Biosphere Reserves” in addition there will be special presentations on “Biosphere Reserve: Learning Site for Sustainable Development”. Discussion among representatives from six EABRN member states and other countries will be major style of meeting organization.

Expected outputs

- Suggestions and recommendations for conservation of Biosphere Reserves under Seville Strategy and Madrid Action Plan in East Asian countries;
- Comments and suggestions for improving conservation and management of the Wuyishan Biosphere Reserve;
- A work plan for EABRN activities in the year of 2010 and 2011;
- An EABRN-11 meeting proceedings

Participants

- Representatives from six EABRN member states (China, DPR Korea, Japan, Mongolia, R. Korea and Russian Federation) and also from other countries as special representatives

- Chinese representatives from key governmental agencies, Biosphere Reserves and local communities
- Participants from the relevant organizations such as UNESCO, UNDP, CBPF, IUCN, WWF, etc.

The total number of participants is expected to be about 40-50.

Venue and Accommodation arrangements:

The meeting programme excluding the field trip will be operated at the Wuyishan Biosphere Reserve and participants will be accommodated at the Wuyishan Shenyuan International Hotel (Four star level), No.8, Tianyoufen Rd, Sangu Tourist Holiday Resort, Wuyishan City, Fujian Province, China

Language of the Meeting

The meeting will be conducted in English.

Travel to Wuyishan:

The travel and all local support for selected experts from 6 official member countries will be provided by EABRN Secretariat through the local organizer. The additional members need to take care of their own arrangements and the local organizer will provide necessary help in arranging accommodation and based on funds availability some the international experts logistical support will be covered by EABRN Secretariat.

Domestic flights are available from major international airports in China (Beijing, Shanghai, Fuzhou, Guangzhou, and Xiamen) to Wuyishan airport. The tentative schedules of the available flights are

Beijing – Wuyishan

MF 8122 / MF 8124 every day

Shanghai – Wuyishan

MU5531 every day

Guangzhou – Wuyishan

MF8366 everyday via Xiamen

Xiamen – Wuyishan

CZ3980 Three days in week

MF8366 / MF8081 / FM9529 / MF8083 / MF8081every day

Fuzhou – Wuyishan

MF8362 everyday

Programme

The detailed agenda are currently being prepared the tentative schedule:

Time	Contents
10 Nov, Tuesday	Arrival of participants
11 Nov, Wednesday	Opening ceremony Workshop Ad-hoc steering committee meeting of MAB Chairs from EABRN Dinner
12 Nov, Thursday	Field Visit Wuyishan Biosphere Reserves
13 Nov, Friday	Field Visit Wuyishan Biosphere Reserves EABRN Workshop Dinner
14 Nov, Saturday	EABRN Workshop Closing ceremony Dinner
15 Nov, Sunday	Departure of participants

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