

FAO-USDA-WCS Sponsored Workshop

on

## Avian Influenza and Wildlife:

## Regional Surveillance and Research Priorities for Asia

3-5 September 2007

Siam City Hotel Bangkok, Thailand

### FINAL WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

Joint Convenors:



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**OBJECTIVES:**

- 1) to provide an opportunity for Asian countries to share their ongoing wildlife and avian influenza related activities;
- 2) to bring together avian, wildlife, veterinary, and disease specialists to encourage coordination and collaboration in the region; and
- 3) to gain a better understanding of national needs, regional needs, and priorities to strengthen capacity and increase knowledge about avian influenza and wild birds

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**SUPPORTING INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS:**

Mahidol University, Thailand  
Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation, Ministry of Natural Resources and the Environment, Thailand

**DURATION & VENUE:**

3 days Siam City Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand: 3-5 September, 2007

# **WORKSHOP PROGRAMME**

## **Meeting Day 1: Monday September 3**

8:00-8:30 Registration

### **Opening Session: Chair- Scott Newman (FAO)**

8:30-8:45 *Welcome/Opening remarks* (FAO- Assistant Director General)

8:45-9:00 Overview/ Introductions (FAO- S. Newman)

9:00-9:10 Overview/ Introductions (USDA- T. Deliberto)

9:10-9:20 Overview/ Introductions (WCS- W. Karesh)

9:20-9:35 Participant Introductions

09:35-10:00 *Coffee Break*

### **Plenary Session I: National Overviews: Chair- Boripat Siriaroonrat**

10:00-10:05 Introductory Remarks

10:05-10:20 Country update 1 (Bangladesh)

10:20-10:35 Country update 2 (Cambodia)

10:35-10:50 Country update 3 (China including Hong Kong)

10:50-11:05 Country update 4 (India)

11:05-11:20 Country update 5 (Indonesia)

11:20-11:35 Country update 6 (Lao PDR)

11:35-11:50 Country update 7 (Malaysia)

11:50-12:05 Questions for Plenary Speakers

12:05-13:15 *Lunch*

### **Plenary Session II: National Overviews Continued: Chair- Boripat Siriaroonrat**

13:15-13:30 Country update 8 (Mongolia)

- 13:30-13:45 Country update 9 (Myanmar)
- 13:45-14:00 Country update 10 (Philippines)
- 14:00-14:15 Country update 11 (Thailand)
- 14:15-14:30 Country update 12 (Vietnam)
- 14:30-14:45 Questions for Plenary Speakers
- 14:45-16:45 **Break Out Groups Session I: *Identifying National Needs***  
 GOAL: Identify a list of 10 priorities for each country  
 Introductory Remarks: Scott Newman  
*Coffee and tea to stimulate thinking throughout the session*
- 16:45- 17:45 Plenary: Results for Break Out group Session I and Discussion
- 18.30- ***Reception, Cocktails, and Dinner at the Siam City hotel***

## **Meeting Day 2: Tuesday September 4**

- 8:30-8:40 Summary of Day 1 (FAO)

### **Plenary Session III: Regional Perspectives and Approaches: Chair- Taej Mundkur**

- 8:40-8:45 Introductory Remarks
- 8:45-9:00 USDA International Services and APHIS International Programs (D. Nolte and N. Cardenas)
- 9:00-9:15 IDRC program on migratory birds and AI in Asia (MU- P. Ratanakorn)
- 9:15-9:30 Establishing regional communication links and cooperation: The role of the Asia-Pacific Working Group on Migratory Waterbirds and AI (Wetlands International- T. Mundkur)
- 9:30-9:45 The use of radio-telemetry to understand precise migratory routes and assess the potential spread of infectious diseases (USGS-WERC- J. Takekawa)
- 9:45-10:00 Geospatial dataset for bird ecology study (University of New Hampshire- X. Xiangming)
- 10:00-10:15 Open farming systems and potential disease transmission amongst the agriculture and wildlife sectors: Vietnam as a case study (FUB- M. Gilbert)
- 10:15-10:30 Questions for Plenary Speakers

- 10:30-12:30 **Breakout Group Session II: *Identifying Regional Needs***  
 GOAL: Develop a top 10 priorities list.  
 Introductory Remarks: Ward Hagemeyer  
*Coffee and tea to stimulate thinking throughout the session*
- 12:30-13:45 Lunch
- 13:45-15:45 **Breakout Group Session III: *Databases and Information Sharing***  
 GOAL: Develop a top 10 priorities list.  
 Introductory Remarks: Damien Joly
- 15:45- 16:15 *Coffee break*
- 16:15- 17:15 Results of Breakout Group Session II and Discussion
- 17:15-18:15 Results of Breakout Group Session III and Discussion

### **Meeting Day 3: Wednesday September 5**

- 9:00-9:10 Summary of Day 2 (FAO)

#### **Plenary Session IV: Global Perspectives and Approaches: Chair- William Karesh**

- 9:10-9:15 Introductory Remarks
- 9:15-9:30 Scientific Task Force on Avian Influenza and Migratory Species (WI- T. Mundkur)
- 9:45-10:00 FAO's global wildlife AI program (FAO- S. Newman)
- 10:00-10:15 Global Avian Influenza Network for Surveillance (WCS- D. Joly)
- 10:15-10:30 AI surveillance and waterbird monitoring- flyway approaches and partnerships (Wetlands International- W. Hagemeyer and D. Watkins)
- 10:30-10:45 Questions for Plenary Speakers
- 10:45-12:30 **Breakout Groups Session IV: *The Way Forward***  
 Steps to Accomplish Goals Identified in Other 3 Breakout Groups (national, regional databases and information sharing)  
 GOAL: Develop a top 10 priorities list for each major heading (national, regional, data databases and information sharing) that can be accomplished in the next 3 years  
 Introductory Remarks: Parntep Ratanakoan
- 12:30-14:00 *Lunch*

- 14:00-15:00 Results of Breakout Group Session IV and Discussion
- 15:00-16:00 Discussion and Finalization of Draft Recommendation (B. Siriaroonrat)
- 16:00-16:30 *Closing Remarks* (FAO-USDA-WCS)