



# International Training Workshop on Conservation of Biodiversity and Ecosystem-2014

Organized by: College of Arts and Sciences, Qatar University IUCN Commission on Ecosystem Management (CEM), West Asia Region. March 24-27, 2014 at Qatar University Campus

### **INTRODUCTION**

The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) is the world's oldest and largest global environmental organization. Today IUCN is a largest professional global conservation network and a leading authority on the environment and sustainable development. More than 1,200 member organizations including 200+ government and 900+ non-government organizations are working with IUCN. Almost 11,000+ voluntary scientists and experts are grouped in Six Commissions. The Commission on Ecosystem Management (CEM) is one of IUCN's six scientific Commissions. CEM is a network of volunteer experts, numbering approximately 800, from around the world working on ecosystem management related issues, for example climate change adaptation, disaster risk reduction, Red List of Ecosystems, fisheries and ecosystem restoration and services. The Commission works closely with other IUCN Commissions, regional offices and global thematic programs. To achieve the objective of the Commission on Ecosystem Management, West Asian region to Enhance and promote education, training and research for conservation and management of ecosystems, activities related to orientation on the Specific Ecosystems and Biomes are being organised by the CEM, West Asia Region. In this regard, CEM, West Asia Region and SCSP have jointly organized three Training Workshops on Wetland Management (held in March 2013), a Workshop on Conservation of Biodiversity and Ecosystem of Pakistan (held in Sept 2013) and Regional Training Program on Environmental Assessment and Ecosystem Management (held in Dec 2013) at the Department of Zoology, University of Karachi. More than 180 postgraduate students of Zoology, Botany, Geography, Environmental Studies, Biochemistry participated and benefitted from these workshops. The Commission on Ecosystem Management, West Asian region is planning to undertake following four International training and capacity building workshops for regional countries during 2014, and the first workshop will be held in March 2014 in Qatar University:

- 1). Wetland Conservation and Management
- 2). Conservation of Biodiversity and Ecosystem
- 3). Management of Protected Areas
- 4). Mangrove Biodiversity and Ecosystems

We are pleased to announce that the Registration of the First Workshop has commenced. All the interested participants are requested to make their registartion at the earliest.

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## **OBJECTIVES**

One of the major aims of the training and capacity building initiatives is to strengthen the planning, monitoring and conservation evaluation skills of project and program managers at regional level. The workshop will be aimed at focusing the current knowledge and skills about wetlands, protected areas, biodiversity conservation, mangrove ecosystems, management planning and other relevant topics.

During the workshop the participants will go through a process of preparing a management plan for wetland/protected area/mangrove area and learn the techniques for developing a project/paper writing. These workshops are specially designed to provide practical and field work knowledge/experience through field visits.

# WHO SHOULD ATTEND/ TARGETED PARTICIPANTS

These Training Workshops are intended for those who are involved/interested to start careers in the field of wetland conservation, management, conservation and management of biodiversity, management of protected areas/mangrove areas etc. or involved research activities on these topics. They may be government officials concerned with wetland management planning, policies and development, protected areas officers, water resource managers, employees of local authorities, university research and teaching staff, NGO representatives involved in the wetlands management/research and graduate students with special subject of Environmental studies, biodiversity, wetland etc.

#### ELIGIBILITY

B.Sc or equivalent qualification or Field experience equal to such level.

#### WORKSHOP FEE

The registration fee for one workshop is US \$ 450/- which includes administrative fees, workshop materials, local field visit, daily tea and certificate awarding ceremony. The workshop registration Fee does not include boarding, lodging, international travel and other personal expenses.

#### LAST DATE FOR REGISTRATION: MARCH 10, 2014

For registration and other information, please visit to our web page scspkarachi.org and contact to West Asia Regional Chair's Office, IUCN Commission on Ecosystem Management, Department of Zoology, University of Karachi, Karachi-75270 via e-mail: info@scspkarachi.org; zaheer@scspkarachi. org; Tel: +92 21 9926 1300-7 Ext. 2343. Cell Phone: 92 300 285 9842