2000 Annual General Meeting

Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST)

"MANATEE ROOM B" Delta Orlando Hotel, Orlando, Florida 28 - 29 February 2000

AGENDA

Monday, 28 February

09:00	Continental Breakfast (Manatee Room B) Welcome and Opening Remarks Introductions
09:30	Announcements Accommodations, transportation, meals

09:45 Call to Order

Meeting Secretary

Attendance

09:50 Executive Director's Report

Symposium registration

Presenter: Karen Eckert, Executive Director (WIDECAST)

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 Country Reports (12-15 min each)

Antigua and Barbuda

Presenter: Gillian Cooper, Environmental Awareness Group

Bermuda

Presenter: Jennifer Gray, Bermuda Aquarium Museum and Zoo

British Virgin Islands

Presenter: Mervin Hastings, Conservation and Fisheries Department

Cayman Islands

Presenter: Jonathan Aiken, Department of Environment

Grenada

Presenter: Thompson Julien & Claire Shirley, Ocean Spirits

Haiti

Presenter: Jean Robert Badio, Department of Fisheries and Agriculture

12:30 LUNCH

- 14:00 "Encouraging Collaboration between NGOs and the Media" Presenter: Jan Voordouw, Panos Institute (Haiti)
- 14:30 "Protocol concerning Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife (SPAW): an Update" Presenter: Rhema Kerr, Hope Zoological Gardens (Jamaica)
- 14:50 "Regional Marine Turtle Conservation Program and Strategic Plan for the Guianas" *Presenter*: Henk Reichart, Guayana Shield Program Officer (WIDECAST)
- 15:10 "Marine Turtle Conservation in the Wider Caribbean: A Dialogue for Effective Regional Management"

Presenter: Alfonso Avilez, Department of Fisheries (Belize)

15:30 Coffee Break

- 16:00 "Research and Training Opportunities in Venezuela"

 **Presenter: Hedelvy Guada, WIDECAST (Venezuela)
- 16:20 "International Short Course on Marine Turtle Biology and Conservation"

 **Presenter*: Dr. Cynthia Lagueux, Wildlife Conservation Society (Nicaragua)
- 16:40 "Landscaping for Successful Sea Turtle Nesting"

 Presenter: Dr. Jim Richardson and David Stubbs, Jumby Bay Hawksbill Project
 (Antigua)
- 17:00 Recognition Award : Darien Joseph (Antigua)
- 17:30 Closing Remarks and Adjourn

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08:00 WIDECAS	T Continental Breakfast	: (Leatherback Room A)
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09:00 Welcome and Opening Remarks

09:10 Introductions

09:30 Announcements

09:45 Call to Order

09:50 Latin American Director's Report

Presenter: Alexis Suarez, Latin American Program Director (WIDECAST)

10:10 Report on the Latin American Réunion

Presenter: Hedelvy Guada, Réunion Steering Committee

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 Country Reports (12-15 min each)

Colombia

Presenter: Diego Amorocho, WIDECAST

Costa Rica

Presenter: Didiher Chacon, Asociación ANAI

Cuba

Presenter: Félix Moncada G., Centro de Investigaciones Pesqueras

Puerto Rico

Presenter: Lesbia Montero, University of Puerto Rico (Sea Grant College Program)

12:00 "11th Conference of Parties to CITES: an Update"

Presenter: Neca Marcovaldi, Projeto TAMAR (Brazil)

12:30 LUNCH

2:00 Working Groups

I - STRAP Implementation

Chair: Marie-Louise Felix, Department of Fisheries (St. Lucia)

II - Fisheries Interactions

Chair: Rafe Boulon, U.S. National Park Service (U.S.V.I.)

III - WIDECAST Mission Statement

Chair: Karen Eckert, Executive Director (WIDECAST)

IV - Resolutions of the Meeting

Chair: Alexis Suárez, Latin American Program Director (WIDECAST)

15:30 Coffee Break

- 16:00 Working Group Results and Recommendations of the Meeting
- 17:00 Open Forum
- 17:30 Closing Remarks and Adjourn

Thank you for joining us -

Enjoy the 20th Annual Symposium on Sea Turtle Biology and Conservation!