AGENDA
Saturday, 21 February 2004

9:00 Welcome and Opening Remarks - Karen Eckert, WIDECAST Executive Director
9:10 Introductions
9:30 Announcements
- Meeting Secretary
- List of Participants
- Accommodations, transportation, meals
- Symposium registration
- Others

Session I: 2002-2003 Executive Director’s Report

9:40 Executive Director’s Report – Karen Eckert, WIDECAST Executive Director

10:30 * Coffee Break *

Session II: Country Reports (12-15 min each)

11:00 Dominica – Rowan Byrne, Project Manager, Rosalie Sea Turtle Initiative (RoSTI) & Stephen
Durand, Conservation Officer, Forestry and Wildlife Division
Aruba – Richard and Edith Van der Wal, Directors, Turtugaruba Foundation
Bonaire – Robert van Dam, Project Director, Sea Turtle Conservation Bonaire (STCB)
Trinidad – Stephen Poon, Forester 1, Wildlife Section-Forestry Division
Tobago – Wendy Herron & Tanya Clovis, SOS Tobago

12:30 LUNCH

13:30 Open Room – Displays and Sharing
Session III: WIDECAST Marine Turtle Tagging Centre (MTTC)

Introductory Remarks – Karen Eckert, WIDECAST Executive Director

14:00 Regional Marine Turtle Tagging Database! – Scott Eckert, Director of Science, WIDECAST

14:45 Barbados Sea Turtle Project and the MTTC – Julia Horrocks, Director, Barbados Sea Turtle Project and MTTC Coordinator

15:00 * Coffee Break *

Session IV: New Partnerships and Opportunities

16:00 Regional Trauma Response Network – Chris Johnson, Project Coordinator, Marinelife Center of Juno Beach (Florida)

Open Forum - Objectives, Priorities, Resources, Leadership, Partnerships: Where to start?

16:30 TNC Marine Planning Initiative - Raquel Seybert, Community Development Officer, The Nature Conservancy (Eastern Caribbean Program)

16:45 “State of the World’s Turtles” (SWoT) – Rod Mast, Conservation International & Colette Wabnitz, Fisheries Centre, University of British Columbia

Session V: Conclusions

17:00 Open Forum
  • Q/A
  • Resolutions
  • Decisions of the Meeting

17:30 Closing Remarks and Adjourn

Thank You for Joining Us -
Have a Relaxing Evening!

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AGENDA
Sunday, 22 February 2004

08:30 Welcome and Opening Remarks - Karen Eckert, WIDECAST Executive Director
08:40 Introductions
08:50 Announcements
  • Meeting Secretary
  • List of Participants
  • Accommodations, transportation, meals
  • Symposium registration
  • Others

Session VI: Country Reports (12-15 min each)

09:00 French Guiana - Benoit de Thoisy, Association Kwata
Suriname - Maartje Hilterman & Edo Goverse, Netherlands Committee for IUCN
Belize – Lincoln McSweaney, Gales Pt Wildlife Sanctuary Management Committee
Guyana – Annette Arjoon & Romeo de Frietas, Guyana Marine Turtle Conservation Society

10:00 * Coffee Break *

Session VII: Treaties and Legislation - Updates

10:30 Satellite-tracking “Caribbean” Leatherbacks (or, Show me again why Treaties are Important?) –
Scott Eckert, WIDECAST Director of Science & Mike James, Dalhousie University

11:00 Inter-American Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles - Marco Solano,
Secretaria Pro-tempore, Convención Interamericana para la Conservación y Protección de las
Tortugas Marinas

11:30 CITES Review of Exploitation, Trade and Management of the Marine Turtles of the Lesser
Antilles, Central America, Colombia and Venezuela – Amie Bräutigam, Threatened Marine Species Director, Perry Institute for Marine Science


12:15  LUNCH

13:15  Open Room - Displays and Sharing

Session VIII: Involving the Public in Sea Turtle Survival


14:00  Interactive DVD on Marine Turtles: An Educational and Research Tool – Katy Garland, Director of Science Education, Environmental Media

14:30  * Coffee Break *

Session IX: Working Groups

15:00  Working Group I – Sea Turtle Ecotourism “Certification” Program
Working Group II – Sea Turtle Activity Guide for Teachers
Working Group III – Interactive DVD on Marine Turtles
Working Group IV – Regional Trauma Response Network

Session X: Conclusions

16:30  Working Group Conclusions and Recommendations

17:00  Open Forum
  •  Q/A
  •  2004 – 2005 Work Plan: Final Thoughts
  •  Decisions of the Meeting

17:30  Closing Remarks and Adjourn

Thank You for Joining Us - Enjoy the Sea Turtle Symposium!