



**UNDP/GEF PROJECT ENTITLED “REDUCING ENVIRONMENTAL STRESS IN THE
YELLOW SEA LARGE MARINE ECOSYSTEM”**

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for the Biodiversity Component**
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**2008 Completed and On-going Activities
Of the Biodiversity Component**

1. In addition to the reports commissioned from Biodiversity specialists and assessment of management effectiveness by WWF/KORDI, in 2008, the Biodiversity Component considered implementing other activities, some of which are still pending. These activities are described below.

Agenda 5.1

Assessment of existing coastal wetlands in R. Korea and China

2. The biodiversity specialists will be invited to give talks on the selection of the representative Ramsar habitats and the potential demonstration sites, and explain how their survey methods will capture the biodiversity present at the site. RWG-B members will be invited to review the reports and suggest topics that should be covered in the final report.
3. The initial reports from the Biodiversity specialists are available on the website and as supplementary documents.

Agenda 5.2

Assessment of management effectiveness in R. Korea and China

4. The WWF in China and PGA Wetland Ecology Institute in ROK have been conducting a management assessment in Ecologically Important Areas. Representatives will be invited to give talks.
5. RWG-B members will be invited to review/comment activities carried out so far **(Annex 1)**.
6. The RWG-B members need to discuss and suggest how the information presented can be used in future biodiversity demonstration activities.

Agenda 5.3.

Impact of stock enhancement on the genetic diversity of fleshy shrimp in the Yellow Sea

7. RWG-B members will be informed of the progress in this activity by the contractor or PMO and invited to consider how to use the findings.

Agenda 5.4.

Continued co-operation with the WWF on Yellow Sea Biodiversity Conservation

8. RWG-B members will be informed of the progress of the YSESP project and possible future co-operation with the YSLME project.

Agenda 5.5.

Contribution to the preparation of the Strategic Action Programme (SAP)

9. RWG-B members will be informed of the progress of the SAP.

Annex 1