



World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) Small Grant 2021 Application Form

WMBD Small Grant 2021 for East Asian - Australasian Flyway

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About World Migratory Bird Day 2021

WMBD is an annual awareness-raising campaign highlighting the need for the conservation of migratory birds and their habitats. It has a global outreach and is an effective tool to help raise global awareness of the threats faced by migratory birds, their ecological importance, and the need for international cooperation to conserve them. In 2018, WMBD unified the planet's major migratory bird corridors, or flyways: the African-Eurasian flyway, the East Asian-Australasian flyway, and the Americas flyways. **WMBD is now celebrated twice a year, on the Second Saturday in May and in October. In 2021, WMBD will be held on 8 May and 9 October.** The EAAFP Secretariat encourages Partners to celebrate WMBD twice a year.

Introduction of EAAFP WMBD 2021 Small Grant

The Small Grant for 2021 [World Migratory Bird Day](#) (WMBD) has been established to provide financial support to [EAAFP Partners](#) and [EAAFP Task Forces and Working Groups](#) who plan to organize **public events and/or conservation action-oriented workshops** at national or local levels through participating in the World Migratory Bird Day. We strongly encourage EAAFP Partners and collaborators to make an application for any suitable event or development of WMBD materials in local language that aims to raise awareness on the need of conserving migratory waterbirds and the value of their habitats in East Asian – Australasian Flyway.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants who plan to organize an event to celebrate World Migratory Bird Day 2021 need to base in the EAAFP Partner countries. In addition, EAAFP Partner countries included in the DAC list of ODA Recipients are our priority to support. (If you are not sure, please see the [list of EAAFP Partners](#), and [DAC list of ODA Recipients](#)). If you are not the country focal point of EAAFP, please consult and plan with EAAFP focal point of your country before you apply.

Please note that this grant is to initiate a WMBD event, not to cover the costs for the existing WMBD event expenses. Applications with similar contents (location, target participants etc.) to previous years may not be accepted.

*Due to COVID-19, we encouraged applicants to carry out activities which prevent face-to-face activities to reduce risk of spreading COVID-19. All activities organization has to follow national guidelines of the country to prevent COVID-19. We also encourage proposals to promote Flyway Network Sites for the WMBD activities.

Information of the application

Firstly, Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria set for funding assistance under EAAFP WMBD 2021 Small Grants Programme.

For your budget planning, please note a maximum of 1,000 USD will be allocated to each county. We recommend you submit the application as early as possible.

The deadline for application is **21 March 2021**. Please submit an application to Ms. Vivian Fu, Communication Officer via email (Word or PDF document) at communication@eaaflyway.net and wmbd@eaaflyway.net.

After the Secretariat receives your application, the approval of successful proposals is made by the Secretariat. Applicant will hear of the result within two weeks after the deadline. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Successful applicants have a responsibility to help translate the World Migratory Bird Day materials into their own languages which will be shared on the World Migratory Bird Day website (<https://www.worldmigratorybirdday.org/>).

Date of Application: 2021/03/19**1. Applicant Contact information**

	Name of applicant:	Uchrakhzaya Tserenbat
a.	Name of the organization:	Mongolian Bird Conservation Center
b.	Name(s) of the division and/or position:	Coordinator of Chukh Bird Research Station
c.	Type of the organization - Government/NGO/Private Sector/Other – specify):	NGO
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If there will be more than one organization to arrange the event, please specify all above.

2. Proposed Event Plan and Expected Outcome

Please tick the relevant categories of your proposed event:

Public awareness activity – local and/or national	√
Birdwatching - field trip	√
Monitoring/survey – field trip	
Educational activity/lecture	√
Festival	
Media Event	√
Movie/video	
Others	

Please specify your proposed event plan and expected outcome

Please include the following information; Title, Date, Location, Organiser, Target participants, Expected number of participants (max. 500 words)

Title: **"Birds connect our world"**

Date: **2021/05/22**

Location: **Chukh Lake at Mongol Daguur Strictly Protected Area (EAAF024), Eastern Mongolia**

Organizer: **Mongolian Bird Conservation Center will play as main organizer of event, and cooperate with Eastern Mongolian Protected Area Administration and Environmental department of Dashbalbar soum**

Target participants: **Eco-club students of secondary school of Dashbalbalbar soum, rangers of Mongol Daguur Strictly Protected area, local people around the Chukh lake**

Expected number of participants: **Total 50-60 (eco-club students 30-40, rangers 5, local people 10)**

Chukh Bird Research Station (CBRS) is coordinated by the Mongolian Bird Conservation Center of Mongolia (MBCC) which is one of the leading non-governmental organizations in avian research and conservation in Mongolia. MBCC was established 2015 and currently implements a number of research and conservation projects on avian species and their habitats in Mongolia.

The main aim of the CBRS is to carry out long-term and sustainable monitoring of breeding and migratory shorebirds population of Chukh lake, and to conduct ecological and biological studies of the lake and its biodiversity. In addition, we aim to provide hands-on field training opportunities for students and local specialists, to support master and doctoral research theses for young researchers, and to promote science-based environmental knowledge for local people.

We have been conducted shorebird monitoring at Chukh lake since 2019 and achieved very good results. Please look for detailed information about us from the following link: https://www.researchgate.net/publication/349297872_CHUKH_BIRD_RESEARCH_STATION_CBRS_ANNUAL_REPORT-2020

Now we would like to raise public awareness regarding our monitoring result. We are planning to organize the WMBD event at Chukh lake, and entirely based on Chukh Bird Research Station.

It is vital to organize WMBD event among the local kids and herder families at Chukh Lake, in northeastern Mongolia which is an important stopover site for many species of migratory birds especially for shorebirds, but this small steppe lake is very sensitive during the dry periods and it needs well public awareness among the local herder families.

An event includes following activities:

1. **Birdwatching - field trip:** Eco-club students will be taken on a birdwaching trip to Chukh lake. Migratory birds, especially shorebirds were highly active in late May at Chukh lake, so the time what we expect to organize WMBD event is the most suitable time during the spring migration for closely watch many species of shorebirds and waterbirds. This field trip will include counting all migratory birds at the lake and several contests will be organized among the local kids.
2. **Educational activity/lecture:** We are planning to share three presentations on target participants about how birds use the small water points in Eastern Mongolia during its migration, what is a stop over site and why it is important for migratory birds, what should we do on their breeding period. Also we provide training of shorebird ringing and identification on-hand.
3. **Public awareness activity – local and/or national:** We will publish posters showing most common migratory bird species, also two year monitoring result and the features of the lake for target participants. At the end of the event, all participants will clean up the waste around the lake together.
4. **Media Event:** We will invite local TV to interview the event and we will also publish our event news to the Ministry of Enevironment and Tourism of Mongolia and engage all other social platforms.

3. Proposed Event Budget Plan:

Please specify budget plan of your proposed event

Total: 1020 USD

Please note that ideal budget scale is approximately 1,000 USD to each country

Budget breakdown:

Tea break and snacks for kids from local Eco-clubs during birdwatching trip and lecture	200USD
Transport cost from soum center to Chukh lake /event site/	120USD
Printing cost (300 per posters and 1 event banner)	300USD
Print T-shirt with bird photo (60per)	400USD
Others – specify	
Please indicate contributions fee from other sources for this event	

In addition, please register your event(s) at the following websites as well for regional and global statistics of WMBD participation. It won't take you long to fill in the form as it is a simple process. Registration of your event(s) at Global WMBD website (<http://www.worldmigratorybirdday.org/register-your-event>)

After any of your WMBD materials are published and your awareness event is held, it is required to provide an event report (see ANNEX I). The Report should include copies of any

materials produced under the project. Published materials should be submitted with the report in both hard and electronic copy with suitable photographs illustrating the activities undertaken. **Logos of WMBD and EAAFP have to be shown on all your printed and digital promotional materials.**

Report deadline:	No later than 24 May 2021 or within two weeks after the event(s)
Required information:	Name of organiser, target participants, programme, outcome summary and finance supporting documents
Submit to:	to Ms. Vivian Fu, Communication Officer via email (Word or PDF document) at communication@eaaflyway.net and wmbd@eaaflyway.net .