

DD9. Revisions to the EAAFP Flyway Network Site Information Sheet (SIS) and the Guidance for its Completion

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Background

- Flyway Network Sites (FNS) and the Site Information Sheet (SIS) supporting their designation, are a key part of EAAFP implementation
- The most recent adopted SIS is its 2017 version
- In the 2021-2022 cycle, during reviews of the SISs for new FNSs the TSc identified a number of gaps and inconsistencies with the content and structure of the SIS v2017 – and the guidance (and lack of it) for filling it the SIS
 - Reported to Partners at MOP11 in MOP11 DOC.13
- Partners at MOP11, in MOP11 Decision 5, requested the TSc to:
 - Prepare a draft revised SIS and supporting guidance to address these issues
 - Consult with Partners on the revised SIS and its guidance, and
 - Submit the revised SIS and guidance to MOP12
- Partners, and Working Groups and Task Forces, consulted in 2024 on the Draft SIS v2025 and guidance
- MOP12 DD9 and its Attachments provide this revised SIS v2025 and its supporting guidance

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Site Information Sheet (SIS) v2025 and its guidance – main changes from v2017

- In line with MOP11 Decision 5 Annex 1
- SIS fields reorganised into 2 Parts:
 - Part 1 – essential fields (1 to 17), required to be filled in
 - Part 2 – additional fields (18 to 33), optional to fill in
- Additional SIS fields (5 & 6) for SIS updates to existing FNSs
- Rewording, for better clarity and consistency, the Criteria for FNS designation
- Pro-forma tables for providing count data and information for Criteria justification
- Guidance for the correct application of each of the Criteria, for migratory waterbirds
 - missing from the SIS v2017

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Provided to MOP12 as the Draft Decision, and two Annexes

- **Annex A: FNS Site Information Sheet (SIS) v2025**
- **Annex B: Guidance for the completion of FNS Site Information Sheet (SIS) v2025 Fields**
- **Draft Decision 9:**
 - *Thanks* TSc, Secretariat, Partners and Working Groups and Task Force leads for preparing and commenting on the SIS v2025 and its guidance
 - *Agrees* to retire the SIS v2017
 - *Approves* the SIS v2025 and its accompanying guidance
 - *Requests* Partners preparing new, or updated FNS designations using the SIS v2017 to submit these not later than 31 March 2026
 - *Instructs* Secretariat to finalise and issue to all Partners, as soon as possible, the SIS v2025 and its guidance
- Finally, a typological error (SIS v2012) needs correcting to SIS v2017 in six places in DD9