



## Final Workshop Announcement

# INTERNATIONAL TRAINING WORKSHOP ON MONITORING AND EVALUATION FOR ECOSYSTEM CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT

Organized by: **Environmental Research Centre, Khazar University, Baku, Azerbaijan**  
**IUCN Commission on Ecosystem Management, Central Asia**

**April 15-17, 2020**

**Khazar University, Baku, Azerbaijan**

The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) is the world's largest and most diverse environmental network. It harnesses the experience, resources and reach of its 1,300 Member organizations and the input of some 16,000 experts. IUCN is the global authority on the status of the natural world and the measures needed to safeguard it.

The World Conservation Union (IUCN) Commission on Ecosystem Management (CEM) is one of the six expert commissions of IUCN, and provides expert guidance on integrated approaches to the management of natural and modified ecosystems to promote biodiversity conservation and sustainable development. The commission promotes the adoption of and provides guidance for ecosystem-based approaches to the management of landscapes and seascapes and builds resilience of socio-ecological systems to address global challenges. CEM acknowledges that ecosystems are in a constant state of natural change and are further being pressured due to global anthropogenic climate and environmental changes. The Commission is led by the Global Chair, Ms. Angela Andrade, who is supported by a Steering Committee, Regional Chairs and IUCN's Ecosystem Management Program as CEM's Secretariat. Presently, the network of the CEM includes more than 1,300 volunteer ecosystem management experts from around the globe.

IUCN Commission on Ecosystem Management, Central Asia is organizing International Training Workshop on Monitoring and Evaluation for Ecosystem Conservation and Management in collaboration with Environmental Research Centre, Khazar University, Baku, Azerbaijan.

### **Invitation**

IUCN Commission on Ecosystem Management, Central Asia and Environmental Research Centre, Khazar University are welcomes you to attend the International Training Workshop on Monitoring and Evaluation for Ecosystem Conservation and Management at Baku, Azerbaijan.

### **Goal**

The goal of the training workshop is to enhance awareness and understanding of issues related to Monitoring and Evaluation for Ecosystem Conservation and Management and to build the capacity within the regional countries to address these issues.

### **Objectives**

- To impart latest knowledge and research techniques and skills for the Monitoring and Evaluation for Ecosystem Conservation and Management.
- To increase individual and institutional capacity to address the Monitoring and Evaluation for Ecosystem Conservation and Management.

- Sharing knowledge and experiences in GIS, mapping techniques, field data collection, data handling, data analysis and interpretation, species composition, range of key species etc.
- To familiarize with international policies and targets for Monitoring and Evaluation for Ecosystem Conservation and Management.

### **Who should attend/ Targeted participants**

These types of Training Workshops are intended for those individuals who are involved/ interested to start careers in the field of Environmental conservation, wetland conservation, management, Ecosystem conservation and management, management of protected areas/ mangrove areas etc. or are involved research activities on these topics. They may be government officials concerned with wetland management planning, policies and development, protected areas officers, water resource managers, employees of local authorities, university research and teaching staff, NGO representatives involved in the wetlands management/research and graduate students with special subject of Environmental studies, biodiversity, wetland etc.

### **Eligibility**

B.Sc or equivalent qualification OR Field experience equal to such level / nominated by the Environmental Research Centre, Khazar University, Baku, Azerbaijan.

### **Workshop Fee**

#### **International Participants**

The registration fee of workshop is US \$ 400/- for international participants which includes administrative fees, workshop materials, and certificate awarding ceremony. The workshop registration Fee does not include international travel, Accommodation and other personal expenses. We accept payment by Western Union ONLY. Paid registration fee cannot be refunded.

#### **Local Participants**

Participants of Azerbaijan registration fee of workshop is 200 AZN pay in Local currency at Environmental Research Centre, Khazar University, Baku.

### **Accommodation & Travel information**

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The workshop registration fee does not include boarding and lodging.

#### **Visa Requirements**

It is the responsibility of participants to ensure they secure the appropriate visa. After receiving registration fee, all the passport details will be forwarded to the Environmental Research Centre, Khazar University, Baku, Azerbaijan for visa process.

#### **Travel Insurance**

It is the responsibility of workshop participants to ensure that they have appropriate travel insurance.

#### **Cancellation Policy**

The workshop organizers regret that the registration fee will not be refunded for the registrations cancelled after **March 16, 2020** or for no-shows at the workshop.

### **Last date for Registration: March 10, 2020**

#### ***For registration and information, please contact to:***

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## About Baku

Geographically, Azerbaijan is dominated by the Caspian Sea forming its eastern border, the Greater Caucasus mountain range to the north, the Lesser Caucasus in the southwest, the Talish Mountains to the south and the extensive flatlands in the centre of the country. About 60 percent of the country consists of mountains and their foothills; the elevation changes over a relatively short distance from lowlands to highlands.

Baku is the capital of Azerbaijan, as well as the largest city on the Caspian Sea land of the Caucasus region. Baku is located 28 metres (92 ft) below sea level, which makes it the lowest lying national capital in the world and also the largest city in the world located below sea level (Wikipedia, 2020).

## Biodiversity

Azerbaijan has 667 species of vertebrates including Mammals 107, Birds 394, Reptiles 54, Amphibians 10 and Fishes 102 Species. Azerbaijan can be divided into the following five broad ecosystem complexes, all of which contribute to the high levels of biodiversity represented in the country: - Forest ecosystems; - Freshwater, wetland and swamp ecosystems; - Grassland and semi-desert ecosystems; - High mountain ecosystems; and - Marine and coastal ecosystems (Azerbaijan 5th National Report submitted to CBD, 2014).

## Khazar University

Khazar University became one of the first private universities in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia and the first in Azerbaijan to introduce Western-style, research-oriented higher education. Khazar University has a long tradition of international cooperation. Globally, the University is actively engaged in collaborative projects and partnerships.



### **Environmental Research Center (ERC, KU)**

In 2007 Environmental Research Center of Khazar University (ERC, KU) was established for basic research in the field of environmental Sciences. The faculty members of ERC, KU has actively conducted research in the field of Environmental Sciences.



### **Baku Attractions**

Baku is beautiful place to visit. It is city where you can enjoy walking in downtown, boulevard enjoy coffee or Azeri tea with local sweets. The city is a blend of old and new architecture, lots of parks to chose from, Food is excellent, people are friendly, and very safe place for international visitors.



Baku. View from the Mountain Park.





Baku Downtown.



Baku Old City.

**Some selected CEM West/ Central Asia Workshops Photos.**



Souvenir Distribution to Workshop Resource Persons.



Certificate Distribution Ceremony.





Field work during the Workshop.



Souvenir Presentation to Minister, Dean of Science and Regional Chair CEM.



IUCN CEM Regional Activities at Karachi and Kuwait.



IUCN CEM Regional Activities at Karachi and Doha, Qatar.





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### WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

*PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE EVERY ITEM ON THIS FORM IN CAPITAL LETTERS.*

Title: Dr. Prof. Mr. Ms.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Present Position: \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete the registration form and send to [zaheerk2k@yahoo.com](mailto:zaheerk2k@yahoo.com) along with scanned copy of your passport and workshop registration Fee Receipt of Western Union.**

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Fee Received: _____ on _____	Remarks _____
Registration Accepted/ Not Accepted: _____	R. Chair's Signature: _____