

A visit to IUCN Secretariat by Shell's Manager of Sensitive Areas

Joanna Cochrane, Manager Sensitive Areas in Shell Upstream International, visited IUCN on 21st and 22nd July 2010. In addition to providing a presentation to the general Secretariat staff on the objectives and approach of the Sensitive Areas team in Shell, Joanna held exploratory discussions on the following topics:

- Species Conservation – exploring ideas for the Shell Heartlands species conservation project and potential synergies with the IUCN Save Our Species Project.
- WGWAP – exploring the potential for extension of the current Western Grey Whale Advisory Panel or a modification thereof.
- Marine Issues - understanding the Marine Programme’s thinking about introducing the concept of Marine Protected Areas in the High Seas
- Potential joint industry cooperation with IUCN and UNESCO on World Heritage Site processes
- Potential for Shell Petroleum Development Company collaboration with UNDP-GEF on a programme to “Mainstream Biodiversity into Oil and Gas Industry in the Niger Delta”
- IUCN experience of technical and other forms of project advisory panels that might be of interest to Shell.