

WILDLIFE ECOLOGY & MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

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1 Cluny Road (Singapore Botanic Gardens)

International Wildlife Trade and the Role of the CITES Convention: Implementation, Challenges, Opportunities, Priorities



About the speaker

Dr. Susan Lieberman is Vice President, International Policy with the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS), where she directs and leads WCS's policy engagement in multiple intergovernmental fora.

Having worked more than 30 years in international biodiversity conservation, she has had extensive experience in internal wildlife trade and intergovernmental policy.

She has previously worked for, The Pew Charitable Trusts, WWF-International, and the U.S. Department of the Interior (Fish and Wildlife Service). She was also an appointed member of, President Obama's Advisory Council on Wildlife Trafficking, and the IUCN Species Survival Commission Steering Committee.

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The international trade in wild animals and plants (including products containing or manufactured from them) is a global trade worth more than \$US 160 Billion per year. It is both legal and illegal, involving the use of live animals as pets or food, as well as parts and products as ornaments, furniture, curios, leathers, medicines, cosmetics, and much more. The international trade in threatened and potentially threatened species of wildlife is regulated by the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), which currently has 183 member governments.

In this talk, Sue will discuss the issue of wildlife trade, including the growing problem of illegal trade, how governments implement the treaty, and what some of the challenges are- using case studies and examples, including trade in elephant ivory, rhino horn, shark fins, helmeted hornbills, and trade in live animals such as parrots and tortoises.

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