



8th IUCN Asia Regional Conservation Forum
Reimagining Conservation in Asia: A Nature Positive Future
 Bangkok, Thailand
 3-5 September 2024
Programme

Onsite RCF registration 2 September 1400 to 2100 (Level 1 Panisea Lounge)

DAY1 (3 September 2024)

Time and Venue	Session and Description	Agenda
0800 Level 2 Main lobby	Registration	
0850 Ballroom	Security and protocol briefing	Participants take seats for general briefing
0900-1015 Ballroom	I. Inaugural Session (75 mins) High-level session marking the official opening of Asia RCF	1. Sawasdee RCF – welcome video 2. Welcome by Dr Dindo Campilan , IUCN Regional Director for Asia and Hub Director for Oceania 3. Welcome to the home of RCF 2024- address by Mr Pornphrom N. S. Vikitsret , Adviser to the Governor of Bangkok (Environmental Affairs), Bangkok Metropolitan Administration 4. Message from the IUCN President - Ms Razan Al Mubarak , IUCN President (remote) 5. Message from the IUCN Director General - Dr Grethel Aguilar , IUCN Director General 6. Address by Mr Athapol Charoenshunsa , Director General of the Department of National Parks, Wildlife, and Plant Conservation, Government of Thailand , Government of Thailand 8. Vote of thanks by Prof Ma Keping , Chair of the IUCN Asia Regional Members Committee (ARMC) and Councillor 9. Ceremonial opening of RCF 10. Cultural performance

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1015-1130	Networking Break Inauguration of Exhibition Launching of RCF Learning Zone	Discover, share and empower at the IUCN Academy Learning Zone – see separate full agenda
1130-1245 Ballroom	II-a. Reimagining Conservation in Asia (75 mins)	<p>“Perspectives on the RCF theme, from IUCN Asia’s key external stakeholders”</p> <p>Chair: Razan Al Mubarak IUCN President (remote) Moderator: Valérie D'hoedt Mayer IUCN Head of Global Knowledge Management</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. United Nations: Sangmin Nam Director, Environment and Development Division, UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) 2. Financial institution: Yoko Watanabe Director, Environment, Asian Development Bank (ADB, remote) 3. Private business sector: Pras Ganesh, Executive Vice President, Toyota Motor Asia (Thailand) Co. Ltd. 4. Local community: Kittisak Rrattanakrajangsri Chairperson, Indigenous Peoples Foundation for Education and Environment, Thailand
1245-1400	Lunch	
1400-1640 Ballroom	II-b. IUCN 20-year Strategic Vision for the Union and Programme 2026-29 (160 mins)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction by Dindo Campilan 2. Presentation on IUCN 20-year Vision (Unite for Nature) by Kazuaki Hoshino, IUCN Councillor 3. Presentation on IUCN Programme 2026-29 by Madhu Rao Chair, IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas 4. Presentation on outcomes of pre-RCF dialogues with National Committees and Members by Ma Keping 5. Discussion and Q&A with Members – led by Mark Salway Chief Operations Officer, IUCN
1640-1700 1700-1830	Networking Break (20 mins)	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Anupama Rajya Shah Environmentalist and Youth Climate Activist, Nepal and Member of Asia Youth Network for Protected Areas - Jingyi Xu, Sichuan International Studies University, China and Member, IUCN Commission on Education and Communication - Sakshi Shree Global Youth Ambassador and Contact Focal Point, YOUNGO, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) <p>3. Discussion</p>
Riverside I and II	Youth Leaders Forum Part II Youth-led interactive session(30 mins)	Youth Connect: Understanding the diversity of youth at RCF and how they are engaging Moderators:

DAY2 (4September2024)

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0900-1015	III-a. Nature 2030 Programme Areas: progress towards impact targets and continuing strategic relevance (75 mins each, see separate full agenda)		III-b. Emerging Programme Priorities in Asia for 2025 (75 mins each, see separate full agenda)	
	Parallel session 1 Ballroom 1	Water and Wetlands	Parallel session 2 Ballroom 2	Financing Conservation
	Parallel session 3 Ballroom 3	Species Actions	Parallel session 4 Riverside VI and VII	Reimagining Asia Cities
1015-1045	Networking break (30 mins)			
1045-1200	Parallel session 5 Ballroom 1	Healthy Lands	Parallel session 6 Ballroom 2	NbS for Climate Action
	Parallel session 7 Ballroom 3	Healthy Ocean	Parallel session 8: Riverside VI and VII	Transforming Agri-food Systems
1200-1300	Lunch			

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1645		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Commission on Ecosystem Management (CEM) - Deepu Sivadas Regional Chair South Asia 4. Species Survival Commission (SSC), Mirza Kusriji Regional Vice-Chair for South and East 5. World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA), Madhu Rao Chair 6. World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL) - Christina Pak Steering Committee member 7. Climate Crisis Commission (CCC) - TBC

DAY3 (5 September 2024)

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