

## 3rd meeting on wildlife rescue in East and South-east Asia

## Communiqué

On the 22nd November 2011, during the 3rd International Conference On Wildlife Rescue In East And South East Asia, all participants agreed to register the Wild Animal Rescue Network (WARN) as a legal body based in Thailand.

The purpose of WARN is to enhance the capabilities of East and South East Asian wildlife rescue centres to rescue and conserve wildlife, provide conservation awareness education for the public and advocate minimum standards for wildlife rescue centres. WARN have several objectives, the pursuit of which will help to accomplish its purpose. These objectives are:-

- a. To rescue rehabilitate and release wildlife
- b. To conduct, encourage and assist public education programmes to highlight wildlife conservation issues
- c. To conduct relevant research that will assist in the rescue, rehabilitation and release process and hence contribute to the collective knowledge for the species
- d. To care for and provide good quality of life for rescued animals held in our centres
- e. To promote camaraderie and cooperation amongst wildlife rescue centres
- f. To provide a forum in which members can exchange information, share expertise and coordinate activities of common interests
- g. To support in situ wildlife conservation and research programmes and promote their integration with ex situ programmes in WARN Institutions
- h. Advocacy and support for implementing effective national and international wildlife conservation laws and policies

There is an Interim Board of four members and there are sixteen Ordinary Institutional Members in WARN.

## **Ordinary Members**

Wildlife Friends Foundation Thailand (WFFT) – Thailand Animals Asia Foundation – Hong Kong/ China KFBG – Hong Kong Pintung Wildlife Rescue Center (PTRC) – Taiwan Free the Bears (FTB) – Cambodia/Laos Wildlife at Risk (WAR) – Vietnam Dao Tien Endangered Primate Species Centre (DTEPSC) – Vietnam Endangered Primate Rescue Center (EPRC) - Vietnam International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) - China MBCRC Cetacean Rescue Center – Taiwan Angkor Centre for Conservation of Biodiversity (ACCB) - Cambodia International Animal Rescue (IAR) Indonesia – Indonesia Center for Orangutan Protection (COP) – Indonesia Wildcare Society Asia – Malaysia

## **Interim Board**

Kurtis Pei – Taiwan (PTRC) Edwin Wiek – Thailand (WFFT) Matt Hunt – Cambodia (FTB) Kit Sun Tan (KFBG)

The next annual general meeting of WARN will be held in Cambodia during November 2012 at which further institutions sharing the goals and objectives of WARN will be invited to join this new organisation.