## **Announcement**

World Sturgeon Conservation Society e.V.
General Assembly 2009
March 15, 2009 15:00 – 18:00 hrs
Conference Room, First Floor
City Hall, 21629 Neu Wulmstorf, Germany

For further details on meeting place and programme contact the WSCS home office

## **Tentative Agenda**

- 1) Opening of the General Assembly and Welcome by the President
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda, logistics and other issues
- 3) Welcome Address by the Major of New Wulmstorf
- 4) Introduction of the Board of Directors
- 5) Annual Report of the President on Activities of the Society
  - a. WSCS activities in general (report from
  - b. Availability and distribution of Publications
  - (e.g. Ramsar Declaration, ISS5 Proceedings; 2nd Edition WSCS Special Publication 1 Piacenza Workshop Proceedings on Fish elevators; *Acipenser sturio* Action Plan (Bern Convention; Proceedings 2nd Status Workshop on Identification of Acipenseriformes Species in Trade (Special Issue, Journal of Applied Ichthyology); Proceedings of the First International Workshop on Fish Sperm, (Special Issue, Journal of Applied Ichthyology); Reprint of ISS 1; sturgeon papers in regular issues of JAI.
  - c) Report on the recent developments of the Danube sturgeon conservation programmes
  - d) Sturgeon Sessions at International Conferences/Symposia (WAS, Busan, Korea; EAS, Krakau, Poland; AFS, Ottawa, Canada, and others)
- 6) Treasurer's Report
  - a. Report on Membership Development
  - b. Annual Balance 2007-2008 and approval
  - c. Proposed budget 2009 revisited and approval
  - d. Proposed budget 2010 and approval
- 7) Website issues and Circular News (update of the membership directory; website services)
- 8) Sturgeon Bibliography/sturgeon reprint archive (need for input & assistance for translation)
- 9) IUCN and Sturgeon specialist Group (Report by Dr. Pourkazemi)
- 10) Cooperation and links to other national and international organizations (AFS, WAS, EAS, EAFP, WCFS)
- 12) Preparation joint session of WSCS with AFS in September 2009, USA
- 13) Planning activities for the 6th International Symposium on Sturgeons (ISS 6; report from the local organizing Committee, discussion on programme and special workshops)
- 15) Special presentation and discussion on Sturgeon Conservation Research and plans in Member countries

- 16) Open Session with the General Public and Media
- 17) Next WSCS General Assembly (place and time)
- 18) Miscellaneous
- 19) Closing of the Meeting

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