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Dear **Anna Gonzales, president,**

Wild Bird Club of the Philippines, SAWASDEE,

The Bird Conservation Society of Thailand (BCST) , co – sponsored by the Quartermaster Department , Royal Thai Army and many distinguished organizations in Thailand , proudly announces that *the 3rd Asian Bird Fair and 11th Thailand Birdfair 2012* , will be held at Bangpu, Samut Prakarn Province during 10-11 November, 2012.

On behalf of the BCST, we are pleased to invite and encourage all ASIAN members, organizations and delegates around the world to be the significant parts of our event.

This year theme is “ **The Right to Live** ” : to emphasize the importance of conservation, the symbols of 3rd Asian Bird Fair (11th Thailand Bird Fair) are settled on four representatives of threatened bird species including:

1. **Black-faced Spoonbill** *Platalea minor* (EN – Endangered)
2. **Spoon-billed Sandpiper** *Eurynorhynchus pygmeus* (CR – Critically endangered)
3. **Nordmann’s Greenshank** *Tringa guttifer* (EN – Endangered)

4. Gurney's Pitta *Pitta gurneyi* (EN – Endangered)

Nevertheless, there are many other species under threats and huge efforts to conserve them are always in demand.

As the first time host of Asian Bird Fair, Thailand will offer abundant activities to delight birding and wildlife enthusiasts. Our local networks and volunteers will provide exhibition, activities, performance and game stalls. The session in the conference room will be related to this year theme including the interesting issues from Birdlife partners, and networks in Thailand.

We have the honor to welcome your participation in *the 3rd Asian Bird Fair and 11th Thailand Birdfair 2012*. Your presentation or exhibitions of your activities and selling products from your country will be most appreciated and this event will be the great opportunity for all of us to get to know more about each other, exchange ideas, critical issues and strengthen our relationship. BCST will also provide transportation from and to the Airport –hotel and full board and accommodation for 2 delegates from Nov. 9 -11,2012. The detailed program of all day activities will be sent to you later. We also attach herewith the Post Tour Program and Registration Form.

We will be grateful if you could inform and make public our event to your local partners, Government organizations related in Philippines, we also attach registration form for exhibitors and other participants herewith this letter and please kindly submit your registration form to us at your earliest convenience or latest within August 31, 2012. If you require any information, please do not hesitate to contact BCST or : Mrs. Sirakorn Kumwongwan (Lisa), BCST Committee <mail to: sirakornk@gmail.com>.

Thank you very much and we look forward to seeing you in the event.

Sincerely yours,



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I Objectives :

Our main objective is to create the awareness , attitude and participation in the bird and nature conservation of Thailand and ASIAN countries to the youth and public, to present the outputs from all national and international parties' activities and projects which will enhance cooperation and strengthen the conservation objectives altogether. Meanwhile, we would like to present the Bird Conservation Activities to the public , expand our membership and collaboration from individuals to organizations etc.

II Our Guests:

Apart from The Government Sectors, Sponsors, the Conservation Community, Students and our networks and Bird Clubs in Thailand **there will be international guests i.e.** the Wild Bird Club of the Philippines, the Chinese Wild Bird Federation, the Wild Bird Society of Taipei, the Malaysian Nature Society and the Nature Society of Singapore etc. who always visited us and participated in the Exhibition.

II The venue : Bang pu Recreation Center, Samut Prakan Province :

Just a short drive from Bangkok, this location is well known to birders for the diverse range of shore and waterbird species that visit its mangrove swamps in winter. More than 3,000 people visited this place during this season weekend for recreation and seafood center among beautiful scenery.

(Note: Details about Samut Prakan Province as the link:

http://www.thaiwaysmagazine.com/thai_article/2311_samut_prakan/samut_prakan.html)

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III The exhibition :

BCST will be pleased to offer the venue, 3 x 3 m booths, 1-2 tables, 2 chairs, food pack , drinking water , food and hotel accommodation of the foreign delegates with complimentary . There will be no additional charges for participation in booths and programs and also for the entrance to the fair itself . We encourage the presentation by all delegates and members of the participating

countries. You can directly contact us for more details to provide the assistance and preparation.

IV Participants :

We expect delegates from foreign organisations , bird watchers, bird clubs in Thailand , distinguished companies and local environmental groups in Thailand to participate in this year event including many schools in Thailand which involved the environmental projects in their areas ; and we are also targeting about more than 3,500 people in the related areas .

Note : Overseas guests will be staying in the hotel in Bangpu Recreation Center , easy to walk to the fair area, the sea coast and nature reserve with plenty of birdwatching opportunities around. We would have a welcome and farewell party. In addition, after the fair we are also arranging an optional birdwatching trip, of which the programme is attached.

The same as in the previous year,

BCST would provide subsidies, which cover room & board, and transportation to and from the airport, for two delegates during Nov. 9 -11, 2011. Each additional overseas participant is kindly asked to pay **200 USD** inclusive for room , board and transportation to and from the airport .