CITES MASTER'S TRAINING PROGRAM
PRE-TRAINING ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
International Affairs Program
in partnership with the Department of Interior
International Technical Assistance Program (ITAP)

TRAINING YEAR

○ 2023   ○ 2024   ○ 2025

1.0 TRAINEE INFORMATION

1.1 Name of Trainee

1.2 Gender

○ Male   ○ Female   ○ Gender not specified

1.3 Age Range

○ 18-35 years   ○ 36-55 years   ○ 56 years and above

1.4 Institution Represented
Enter name of institute that you represent

1.5 Current Job Title/Position
Enter current job title/position that you occupy at your institution

1.6 Phone Number
Enter active phone number with country code

1.7 Email

1.8 Country

○ Benin
○ Burkina Faso
○ Cameroon
○ Central Africa Republic
○ Chad
○ Côte D'Ivoire
○ Democratic Republic of Congo
○ Equatorial Guinea
○ Gabon
○ Ghana
○ Guinea
○ Guinea Bissau
○ Liberia

○ Mali
○ Niger
○ Nigeria
○ Republic of Congo
○ Rwanda
○ Senegal
○ Sierra Leone
○ The Gambia
○ Togo
○ Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania

2.0 CURRENT ROLE AND TRAINEE'S EXPECTATIONS

2.1 What role do you currently play in CITES implementation in your country?
Enter information on the role you currently play in CITES implementation in your country

2.2 Have you had any training related to wildlife management in the past 3 years?

◯ Yes   ◯ No

2.3 Have you had any training related to wildlife law enforcement in the past 3 years?

◯ Yes   ◯ No

2.4 Have you had any training linked to CITES implementation in the past 3 years?

◯ Yes   ◯ No

2.5 Please state the CITES trainings you have had in the past 3 years.

2.6 What are your expectations in terms of the knowledge or skills you hope to gain as a result of the CITES Master's training program?

2.7 To what extent do you think the training can help you better perform your work.

◯ Very large extent   ◯ Large extent   ◯ Somewhat   ◯ Little extent   ◯ Not at all

2.8 Briefly explain how you think the training will help you better perform your work.

3.0 KNOWLEDGE OF BIODIVERSITY AND CITES
How would you rate your level of knowledge on the following topics?

3.1 Concepts related to biodiversity?

◯ Very high   ◯ High   ◯ Average   ◯ Low   ◯ Very low   ◯ No knowledge

3.2 Concepts related to wildlife conservation.

◯ Very high   ◯ High   ◯ Average   ◯ Low   ◯ Very low   ◯ No knowledge

3.3 The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES).

◯ Very high   ◯ High   ◯ Average   ◯ Low   ◯ Very low   ◯ No knowledge

3.4 IUCN Red List of Threatened Species.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.5 Animal species regulated by CITES.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.6 Plant species regulated by CITES.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.7 Management of CITES-listed species.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.8 Applications of Geographic Information Systems for species management.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.9 Implementation of CITES: Administrative aspects.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.10 Implementation of CITES: Scientific aspects – Fauna.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.11 Implementation of CITES: Scientific aspects – Flora.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.12 Techniques for identification and management of species in international trade.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.13 The Convention on Biological Diversity – Synergies with CITES.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.14 Wildlife trafficking in your country.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.15 Wildlife trafficking in your region.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.16 Wildlife trafficking on a global scale.

○ Very high   ○ High   ○ Average   ○ Low   ○ Very low   ○ No knowledge

3.17 Approaches to address wildlife trafficking along the entire trade chain.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ No knowledge

4.0 CAPACITY TO APPLY KNOWLEDGE ON BIODIVERSITY AND CITES
Kindly rate your capacity to undertake the following:

4.1 Able to apply the concept of biodiversity at all organizational levels, particularly at species population, and ecosystem levels.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.2 Able to apply and identify problems that hinder proper implementation and enforcement of CITES.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.3 Able to apply research methods in solving problems that hinder the proper implementation of CITES.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.4 Able to implement the administrative process of authorizing import and export permits.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.5 Able to apply processes for reviewing, drafting and adopting legislation on CITES.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.6 Able to apply the enforcement aspects of CITES implementation.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.7 Able to apply biological criteria for listing species in CITES.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.8 Able to apply trade-related criteria for listing species in CITES.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.9 Able to apply and implement population survey techniques.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.10 Able to design and implement population biology studies and analysis.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.11 Able to design and implement in situ and ex situ approaches for conservation and management of CITES listed species.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.12 Able to apply geographic information systems and spatial analysis for modeling distribution of species and assessing habitat.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.13 Able to undertake species recovery plans.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.14 Able to undertake sustainable wildlife management programs.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.15 Able to make a non-detriment finding for CITES-listed species.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.16 Able to conduct analysis and procedures for the CITES Review of Significant Trade.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.17 Able to use technology and scientific techniques for identification of CITES-listed species and specimens.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.18 Able to apply techniques for the disposal of confiscated CITES-listed species and specimens.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.19 Able to participate in negotiating multilateral environmental agreements.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.20 Able to use knowledge on and understanding of wildlife trafficking to inform decisions nationally and in day-to-day tasks.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.21 Able to develop, amend and implement a wildlife trafficking strategy or policy.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

4.22 Able to apply and promote the prevention of wildlife trafficking among stakeholders.

○ Very high ○ High ○ Average ○ Low ○ Very low ○ Not at all

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Authority: The Service is authorized to collect this information by 5 USC 301 and 16 USC 1531-1544.
Purpose: The Service will use this information to consider you for a scholarship to attend the International University of Andalucía's The Management and Conservation of Species in Trade: The International Framework (CITES Master's Course).
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