

## CIRCULAR

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**TO:** Ramsar Convention on Wetlands Oceania  
Heads of Administrative Authorities,  
National Focal Points, and Technical Experts  
of Australia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands,  
New Zealand, Palau, Papua New Guinea,  
Samoa, and Vanuatu

**SUBJECT:** Notification of the online Regional meeting for Oceania, 12 March 2026, in preparation for the 67<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee of the Convention on Wetlands

Dear Members,

I am pleased to inform you of a Regional meeting for Oceania in preparation for the 67<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee (SC67) of the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands, which is scheduled to take place on **Thursday, 12 March 2026, from 10:00am to 12:00pm Samoa Time via Zoom.**

This meeting will serve as a strategic coordination platform aimed at aligning Contracting Parties, Working Groups, and the Ramsar Secretariat ahead of SC67.

Objectives for this meeting are as follows:

- To review recent World Wetland Day events and related activities.
- To present and explain the structure, priorities, and workflow of the SC67 agenda.
- To confirm alignment and gather feedback for finalization.
- To report to the region on subgroups/working groups and align priorities.
- To get an update from the Ramsar Secretariat on the Indicator Framework for the Fifth Strategic Plan 2025 – 2034 and the National Report Template for COP16.
- To formally establish the Oceania Ramsar Regional Initiative subgroup following Parties' nominations of representatives.
- To identify opportunities for Parties to engage in the IUCN-Convention on Wetlands Plastic and Mangrove Project.
- To provide space for additional items, updates, or issues raised by Parties.

An agenda is enclosed with this circular for your reference (Attachment 1).

Details of the online meeting can be found below:

Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85831886639?pwd=aUJobUGXCmjOEb5adtsuTXHoB3qwvyk.1>

Meeting ID: 858 3188 6639

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Your attendance and contributions to this meeting will be greatly valued, and we look forward to the opportunity to connect with you all.

Yours sincerely,



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