## **PAME II-2018: Agenda 4.4**

Communication with the UN Environment World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) on Arctic Protected Areas Indicator Report

## **Background:**

<u>PAME I-2018 RoD</u>: PAME requests the PAME and CAFF Secretariats to work together and liaise with UN Environment Programme on the planned work to update the Arctic Protected Areas Indicator Report and circulate the updated report to PAME for review when available.

## **Status:**

Update on the work of the PAME and CAFF Secretariats to work together and liaise with UN Environment Programme WCMC on the planned work to update the Arctic Protected Areas Indicator Report as follows:

- ✓ CAFF/PAME secretariats provided WCMC with the <u>Protected areas dataset</u> (access to the Arctic Protected Areas Indicator Report is here).
- ✓ WCMC is currently comparing this to the data within their Protected Planet database.
- ✓ They plan to have this comparison completed for the Biodiversity Congress (9-12 October 2018)
- ✓ An extended 2-hour session is scheduled at the Biodiversity Congress on Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of October: <u>IAB3</u>: <u>Arctic marine protected areas</u>: <u>identification</u>, <u>effectiveness</u>, <u>co-management and cooperation</u>
- ✓ At the congress WCMC will provide a talk in the protected areas session titled *Placing the Arctic in a global context*.
- ✓ A short report will be produced detailing the key items and outcomes from this session (and any other sessions at the Congress which address protected areas).
- ✓ These reports may contribute to potential next steps on protected areas in the Arctic.