<u>FPP Report on side events at 5th World Conservation Congress, Jeju, Korea</u> 2012

Key points:

The <u>Whakatane Mechanism</u> is now much more prominent within IUCN and has benefited from useful feedback. The next step is to move into a second phase, seeking funding to have more Assessments and to improve and finalize the Mechanism so that it can be officially launched at the World Parks Congress in 2014 as a major IUCN initiative.

Two presentations on the *Whakatane Mechanism* were made by the team at the ICCA side event and at the CEESP meeting and one 2h workshop was held. The central focus of the events was the presentation of the two pilot Assessments in Kenya and Thailand and their results. The team consisted of: Fred Ngeywo Kibelio (CIPDP Kenya), Udom Charoenniyomphrai (IMPECT Thailand), Kittisak (IPF Thailand), Justin Kenrick and Emmanuel Freudenthal (FPP)

Planned activities at CBD COP11 in Hyderabad, India 8-19 October

All the feedback on the *Whakatane Mechanism* was supportive and the caucus of indigenous people present at WCC5 suggested that we seek greater IP input by presenting the Mechanism for further feedback at the CBD COP11.