

# World Migratory Bird Day Seminar

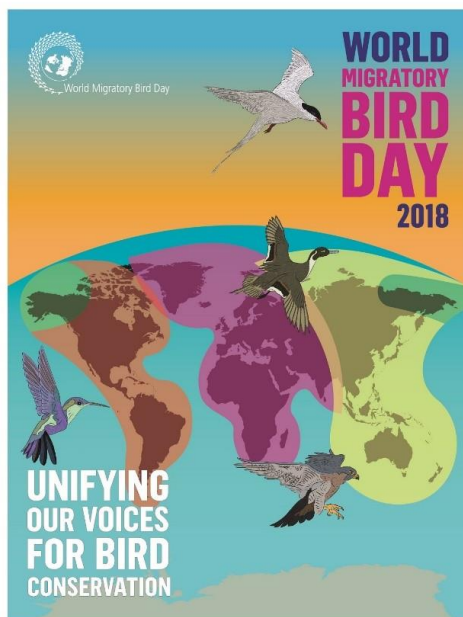
2018 Year of the Birds - a Citizen Science event in Seoul

Organized by [East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership](#)  
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***This is an invitation*** especially for the school students who are enthusiastic to learn about global environmental issues. Very active bird conservationists in East Asia gather in Seoul to give inspirational lectures on the occasion of the World Migratory Bird Day and the National Geographic's Year of the Bird Campaign. This Seminar is a very good opportunity for the students to learn the wonder of waterbirds migration and the importance of the conservation of these birds and their habitats through talks, multimedia, and group discussion.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Date:** Friday, 11 May 2018, 10:00 – 17:00
- **Venue:** Lee Byunghyung Hall, War Memorial Museum, Seoul
- **Audience:** Total 150
- **Language:** English
- **Coordinator:** Ms. Minshil Lee ([wmbd@eaaflyway.net](mailto:wmbd@eaaflyway.net), 032-458-6507), EAAFP
- **Registration:** Please send the registration form no later than 6 May



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## PROGRAMME

- 10:00-10:10 On-site Registration & Photo Exhibition
- 10:10-10:15 Introduction of the Seminar Programme
- 10:15-10:30 Welcome Speech  
- Lew Young, Chief Executive, East-Asian Australasian Flyway Partnership  
- Jay Lee, Executive Director, National Geographic Society - Asia
- 10:30-12:10 **“Why Birds Matters”** (20 mins)  
- Yongmin Moon (Republic of Korea) of Kyunghee University
- “Great Knots and Red Knots - its conservation”** (20 mins)  
- Emilia Lai (Taiwan/Australia)
- “Saving the Crested Murrelet”** (20 mins)  
- Changyoung Choi (Republic of Korea) NG grantee of 2018
- “What’s going on in the Yellow Sea?”** (15 mins)  
- Video Presentation by EAAFP
- “Shorebird Conservation in China”** (20 mins)  
- Terry Townshend (China)
- 12:10-12:15 Group Photo
- 12:20-14:00 Group Discussion and work over Lunch  
- at Bagel Cafe at War Memorials of Korea  
- 7 groups (15~20 students a group) with assigned speakers/facilitators
- 14:00-15:00 Group Presentations and Wrap-up  
- Each group presents their discussion outcomes
- 15:00-17:00 Photo Ark Exhibition Free Tour

## **SPEAKERS**

- **Changyong Choi** (Republic of Korea) - a Senior Researcher at National Environmental Center for Environmental Management in Seoul National University. He is a National Geographic explorer with 2017 NGS-Asia grant.
- **Emilia Lai** (Taiwan/Australia) - a young Taiwanese shorebird conservationist and highly skilled field scientist based in Australia. She has worked with Chris Hassell, the leading conservationist of the East Asian-Australasian Flyway, for over the past 6 years and worked at Broome Bird Observatory for 2 years.
- **Youngmin Moon** (Republic of Korea) - a waterbirds conservationist in the Kyunghee University. He has led the BirdLife International's Geum Estuary Project to conserve one of the most important migratory waterbirds habitats in the Flyway, as the project coordinator.
- **Terry Townshend** (China) - a passionate conservationist with a professional background in environmental law, based in China. He has spearheaded efforts to save some of China's most threatened birds, and in 2012 he became a Species Champion with BirdLife International. His blog is extremely popular among the bird watchers and conservationists in Asia and beyond.

## **FACILITATORS**

- **Eugene Cheah** (Malaysia) - a wildlife photographer for waterbirds and wetlands. He has assisted in conservation conference photography including EAAFP Meeting of the Partners, Ramsar Regional Meeting, IUCN World Leaders' Conservation Forum, etc. He has been contributing to educational activities for students and citizens for more than 15 years.
- **Minjae Baek** (Republic of Korea) - a graduate student in Seoul National University. She has been working in the EAAFP Secretariat to assist in student's educational activities.

## **ORGANIZATIONS**

- **EAAFP-** East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP) is an international organization that was adopted in the World Summit on Sustainable Development as a Type II initiative. It coordinates and facilitates 35 Partners including country governments, convention secretariats, NGOs to promote international cooperation for the conservation of migratory waterbirds and their habitats, and the livelihood of the people depending upon them.
- **NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY-** The National Geographic Society is a nonprofit scientific and educational organization that pushes the boundaries of exploration to further our understanding of our planet and empower us all to generate solutions for a more sustainable future.