



Agenda

11th Meeting of The UK Biodiversity Research Advisory Group

5th June 2008

**Location: Room D, Defra, Nobel House, 17 Smith Square, London. SW1P 3JR
Tel 020 7238 6000 (switchboard)**

1030 Arrival and tea/coffee

1100 Start of meeting

1) Welcome

2) Minutes of the last meeting, and matters arising **BRAG 11/1**

11:10

3) Knowledge Transfer / Influencing Strategy (Paul Rose) **BRAG 11/2**

11:30

4) - BiodivERsA project update (Andy Stott and Estelle Balian)

- Update on response to first call for proposals
- BiodivERsA database: presentation, Estelle Balian.

12:10

5) UK BRAG collaboration with the British Ecological Society **BRAG 11/3**
(Cerys Margerison/Peter Costigan)

- Special Session on Ecosystem Services,
BES Annual Meeting 4th September, 2008, London
- BRAG paper for J.Appl.Ecol (Davy McCracken)

12:20

6) Update on joint UK BRAG & BRIG activities in relation to **BRAG 11/4**
UK BAP research (Paul Rose)

13:00 – 13:30 Lunch

7) Lloyd Peck – update on NERC’s Biodiversity Theme Action Plan

14:10

8) Evidence to House of Lords Sytematics inquiry (Peter Costigan)

BRAG 11/5 & BRAG 11/6

14:15

9) EPBRS update (Andy Stott)

- EPBRS Paris meeting 17-21 November
- Slovenian EPBRS meeting, 15-17th January 2008
Water for life: research priorities for sustaining freshwater biodiversity
- NPB reviews
- EPBRS Strategy

14:30

10) Report on GECC Global Biodiversity Sub-Committee activities
(Elizabeth Moore)

BRAG 11/7

14:40

11) Report on JNCC Research Needs project (Elizabeth Moore and Paul Rose) **BRAG 11/8**

14:50

12) Reports from UK BRAG sub-groups (Mel Austin and Paul Rose)

- Marine biodiversity, goods & services – Mel Austin (30 mins) **BRAG 11/9**
- Policy benefit from research - Paul Rose (20 mins) **BRAG 11/10**
- BRAG contract; what characterises research that has moved biodiversity conservation forward. – Paul Rose (10 mins)

15:50

13) Current issues / research needs of Country Biodiversity Groups (All)

15:55

14) AOB

15) Date of next meeting

Meetings ends 16:00

NOTE: the meeting will be followed by a short (30 mins) meeting of the UK BRAG Country Liaison Group.