

## Memorandum

TO: Transboundary Conservation Practitioners

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SUBJECT: Invitation to International Transboundary Conservation Workshop

DATE: April 7, 2016

It is our pleasure to invite you to participate in ***Hands Across Borders: A Workshop for Transboundary Conservation Practitioners***. The workshop will be convened at the historic Glacier Park Lodge in East Glacier, Montana, USA on September 13-16, 2016.

The workshop is being convened in part to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the U.S. National Park Service. As explained in the attached brochure, it also coincides with the 84<sup>th</sup> Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Assembly to be held at the same site on September 16-18, 2016. Participants are welcome to stay and take part in this annual celebration of transboundary cooperation.

**The primary objective of this workshop is to build the capacity of participants to catalyze and sustain transboundary conservation initiatives.** Building on [\*Transboundary Conservation: A Systematic and Integrated Approach\*](#), recently published by the International Union for the Conservation of Nature, the workshop is designed to inspire and equip current and future leaders of transboundary conservation initiatives. Several of the authors of *Transboundary Conservation* will serve as facilitators and faculty. The workshop will also foster peer-to-peer learning opportunities where participants will develop and share knowledge based on their own experiences in building and sustaining transboundary conservation efforts.

The goal is to convene leaders from 50 transboundary conservation initiatives throughout the world. Please respond by email no later than April 15, 2016 to:

- Confirm your interest in participating (or not); and
- Your ability to cover the costs associated with traveling and participating in the workshop

This workshop follows the World Conservation Congress in Hawaii (taking place September 1-10, 2016), which may make it easier for some people to travel, participate, and secure visas.



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Thank you for the critical work you are already doing to promote and support transboundary conservation. We look forward to working with you to advance transboundary conservation worldwide!

Please send your reply to: [HandsAcrossBorders@umontana.edu](mailto:HandsAcrossBorders@umontana.edu)

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