

Rufford Small Grants Conferences The Conference Proceedings

Title: Thailand Rufford Conference 2022

Date: 13th – 14th April 2022

Venue: The Knowledge Xchange Centre, Bangkok and online

conference via ZOOM meeting

Country: Thailand

Organizer: Supatchaya Techachoochert

Board Member of Green World Foundation

• Co-founder, Refill Station

Summary

This hybrid conference brought together the Rufford grantees who did research across ASEAN countries, 20 participants from 9 countries. Participants attended both on-site and online platforms regarding to the COVID-19 situation. However, everyone had a chance to express their research experience, technique, and networking to strengthen the knowledge exchange in the future. The research topics were grouped together into 5 sessions: continuing collaborative research of Giant Nuthatch, birds and land-use change, DNA research for small mammals, primate survey (including drone technology), and conservation of rare insects and plants. Moreover, participants also shared the obstacles to ecological conservation in the ASEAN region regarding government policy, the difficulty of terrain, human-animal conflict solutions, and self-sustain conservation programs.

Objectives:

- Broaden their knowledge about science and conservation through conference sessions and networking events
- Alumni of Rufford grant network will be strengthened and about to collaborate in the future.
- Young scientists can learn about career paths from others

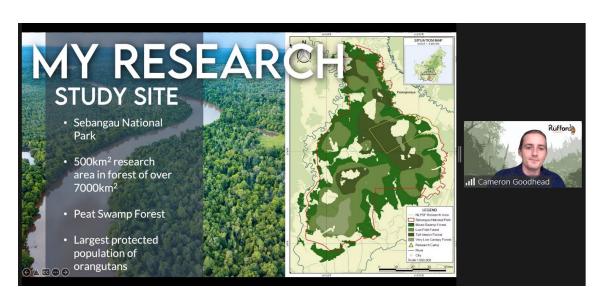
Outcomes of RSG:

A plenary talk from George A. Gale on Birds as environmental indicators: research examples from Thailand shows a big picture of collaborative research that contribute to each other. Following with 3 researchers on Giant Nuthatch, these researchers presented the ongoing questions and resulting in a clearer outcome for conservations. Moreover, from each presentation, participants could broaden their idea about survey methods, technology, analysis, and conservation in different contexts.













In the Rufford sharing session, all participants shared their own opinions about Rufford Small Grant (I like, I wish, and I thanks)

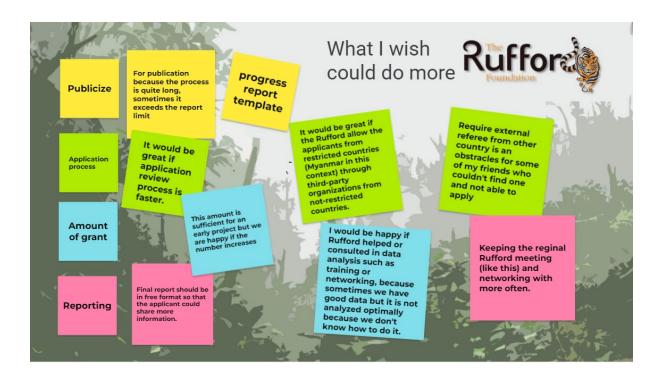
What I like about RSG:

- Most participants satisfy with RSG process which is easy, flexible, and fast. The application is also open for the whole year.
- The amount of grant is good for initial research, and the research could continue and build on to the bigger fund in the future.



What I wish RSG could do more:

- Participant from Myanmar raised concern about the restricted country that is not allowed to ask for grants. He suggested that RSG could grant to the third-party organization from non-restricted countries.
- There is also a suggestion for Rufford to conduct statistical training or networking to support on data analysis.
- Reginal meeting should be conducted more often to exchange knowledge and inspired each other.



I would like to thank to RSG:

- All participants are grateful to receive the grant that supports their research and organization.
- Special thanks for understanding the COVID-19 situation.



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Start	End	Duration (min)	Activities	Speaker
13-Apr-22			First Day	
8:30	9:00	30	Register	
9:00	9:30	30	Introduction (get to know each other)	
9:30	10:30	60	Plenary talk Birds as environmental indicators: research examples from Thailand	George A. Gale
10:30	10:45	15	Break	
10:45	11:00	15	Population size and ecology of Giant Nuthatch (Sitta magna)	Supatchaya Techachoochert
11:00	11:15	15	The globally endangered Giant Nuthatch (<i>Sitta magna</i>): population size, habitat availability and the implications for its conservation	Daphwan Khamcha
11:15	11:30	15	Conservation Potentials of Giant Nuthatch in Myanmar	Thura Soe Min Htike
11:30	11:45	15	What is the relative influence of climate and land cover on species distributions and diversity for the forest birds of Thailand: do we need both	Nantida Sutummawong
11:45	12:00	15	Population density and habitat loss of Chestnut-headed Partridge <i>Arborophila cambodiana</i> in southwest Cambodia	Sophea Chhin
12:00	13:30	90	Lunch	
13:30	13:45	15	Community based monitoring to conserve Java Sparrow <i>Lonchura</i> oryzivora population in Gunung	Irfan Rosyadi

9:00	9:10	10	Greeting	Kahoot Quiz	
14-Apr-22 Second Day					
13.43	10.00	13	community at Bach Ma NP and update result of radio-tracking the critical endangered Indo-Chinese box turtle in Vietnam	Van	
15:30 15:45	15:45 16:00	15	Spatial-temporal dynamics of human-elephant conflict in a Thai context Tortoise and freshwater turtle	Poldej Kochprapa Thong Pham	
15:15	15:30	15	Effects of agricultural intensification on open-country bird populations: implications for land-use management	Angkaew	
15:00	15:15	15	Ecology and conservation of grassland-dependent avian species in seasonally flooded habitats of Bangladesh	Israt Jahan	
14:30	14:45	15	Conservation of Northern White- Cheeked Gibbon (Nomascus leucogenys) in Pu Hoat Nature Reserve, Vietnam Break/ Networking	Bui Thanh Tung	
14:15	14:30	15	Local community-based conservation of critically endangered gibbon (<i>Nomascus leucogenys</i>) in Vu Quang NP, Vietnam	Nguyen Thi Hoa	
14:00	14:15	15	The use of drones for surveying Bornean orangutans	Cameron Goodhead	
13:45	14:00	15	Conservation of the Laotian langur (<i>Trachypithecus laotum</i>) in Phou Hin Poun National Protected Area, Laos	-	
			Sewu Karst Region, Java Island Indonesia		

9:10	9:25	15	Preserving the last remaining	Hening
			populations of Javan endemic	Triandika
			damselfly (Rhinagrion tricolor) in	Rachman
			Nusakambangan Island	
9:25	9:40	15	Morphological and molecular	Serica Joy
			phylogeny of a wingless-fruited	Compendio
			species of Shorea roxb. Ex c.f.	
			gaertn. species (Dipterocarpaceae)	
			from Negros Island Philippines	
9:40	9:55	15	Conservation status of Justicia	Kanokorn
			species, endemic to northern	Rueangsawang
			Thailand	
9:55	10:10	15	Temporal mangroves change	Sang Tran
			detection and mangrove health	
			assessment in Xuan Thuy national	
			park, Vietnam	
10:10	10:25	15	Conservation genetics of	
			threatened mammals in Thailand:	Klinsawat
			implication for habitat	
			management and population	
			recovery program	
10:25	10:40	15	Developing non-invasive methods	Woo Chee
			to monitor otter populations in	Yoong
			Peninsular Malaysia	
10:40	11:15	35	Rufford sharing session	Jamboard
11:15	11:30	15	Closing Remark	
11:30	13:00	90	Lunch	

Please join the conference via zoom meeting link below:

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