

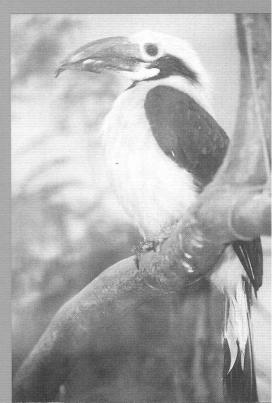
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Cover Illustration: A male tarictic hornbill (Penelopides sp.) at Chester Zoo; Chester is actively involved in the in and ex situ conservation of tarictic and other threatened Philippine hornbills. (Photo: John Tuson)

Revolution. (He is unsure whether the latter was on the same site as the present Paris Zoo.) But it was of course Versailles that was the model for Schönbrunn and 'the subject of many histories over the centuries.'

Nicholas Gould

The new Rhino Resource Center

The idea of a 'Rhino Resource Center' was born during a Rhinoceros Workshop led by Dr Ulysses Seal at the International Elephant and Rhino Research Symposium held in Vienna in June 2001. Delegates had gathered from all continents and were often unaware of all the valuable and interesting projects undertaken in other parts of the world. It was widely perceived at the time that communication between countries and rhino researchers needed improvement. The global rhino community would benefit from a center, where all literature and reports would be assembled and summarized, and where a resource database would be kept up-to-date. With the initial support of the International Rhino Foundation and SOS Rhino, several steps were taken towards the establishment of a center. We have received the endorsement of the African and the Asian Rhino Specialist Groups and the IUCN Species Survival Programme. A substantial amount of literature on the five species of rhinoceros has been assembled, and currently over 8,200 references dating from Roman times up to the latest books and articles are available in original or photocopies. The Rhino Resource Center (RRC) has been registered as a charitable organization in the Netherlands under the supervision of a small board chaired by Dr Nico van Strien. Most significantly, a website has been designed, which can be found on the internet at www.rhinoresourcecenter.com. While the site is still being developed, soon the entire database of rhino literature will be available and can be searched by author, date or word in the title. Work is well in hand to add specific information on a wide variety of subjects relating to the rhinoceros. While this is only a beginning, there is ample scope for the RRC to be established as a center for all information on research, conservation and management of all five species of rhinoceros.

To achieve optimum benefit for the global rhino community, the work of the RRC needs to be expanded and upgraded. We are looking for organizations, zoological gardens or individuals to sponsor the work of the Rhino Resource Center. For further information, please contact us.

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