



Strasbourg, 10 September 2018

T-PVS/Agenda (2018)5

# CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE AND NATURAL HABITATS

# Standing Committee **Bureau meeting**

Strasbourg, 10-11 September 2018 (Room 14, opening: 9:00 am)

#### PRELIMINARY AGENDA

- 1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- 2. FINANCING AND STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE BERN CONVENTION

[T-PVS(2018)6 – Concept Paper on Financial Mechanism of the Bern Convention]

- 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2018 PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET ISSUES
  - 3.1 Group of Specialists on the European Diploma for Protected Areas: follow-up of decisions

[T-PVS/DE(2018)11 -Meeting report]

3.2 Invasive Alien Species: results of the meeting of the Select Group on IAS and future work plans

[T-PVS(2018)5 –Meeting report]

- 3.3 Expert meeting on the eradication of the Ruddy Duck: results of the meeting
- 3.4 Illegal killing of birds: launching of the IKB Scoreboard
- 3.5 2018 meeting of the Large Carnivores Initiative for Europe: results of the meeting
- 3.6 Setting-up of the Emerald Network: state of play
- 3.7 Reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012): results of the 1st capacity building Workshop and state of preparation of the second one
- 3.8 Groups of Experts on Protected Areas and Ecological Networks: state of preparation of the meeting

[T-PVS/Agenda(2018)6 -Draft agenda]

- 3.9 Group of Experts on Climate Change and Biodiversity: next steps
- 3.10 Pan-European Action Plan for the conservation of the sturgeon: results of the Vienna Conference and follow-up
- 3.11 Old Growth Forest Protection Strategy: follow-up of coordination with Wildlife Europe
- 3.12 Review of the European Plant Conservation Strategy: follow-up of coordination with Plata Europa
- 3.13 6<sup>th</sup> Mediterranean Conference on Marine Turtles, 16-19 October 2018, Portoroz (Slovenia)

#### 4. MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE CONVENTION

- 4.1 State of affairs of biennial report submissions, ORS and EU Member States obligations
- 4.2 Amendment proposal by Switzerland: downlisting of the wolf (*Canis lupus*) to Appendix III of the Convention

#### 5. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION: CASE-FILES

[T-PVS(2018)2 - Summary OPEN AND POSSIBLE Case Files]

#### 5.1 Open files

➤ 1995/6: Cyprus: Akamas peninsula

[T-PVS/Files(2018)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)28 - Complainant Report]

➤ 2004/2: Wind farms in Balchik and Kaliakra –Via Pontica (Bulgaria)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)25 - On-the-spot appraisal report]

➤ 2010/5: Greece: threats to marine turtles in Thines Kiparissias

[T-PVS/Files(2018)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)XX - Complainant Report]

> 2012/9: Presumed degradation of nesting beaches in Fethiye and Patara SPAs (Turkey)

[T-PVS/File (2018)26 – Government report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)33 - Complainant Report]

➤ 2013/1: Hydro power development within the territory of Mavrovo National Park ("the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia")

[T-PVS/Files(2018)14 – Government report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)XX - Complainant Report]

#### 5.2 Possible files

➤ 2001/4: Bulgaria: Motorway through the Kresna Gorge

[T-PVS/Files(2018)15 - Government report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)17 - NGOs report]

➤ 2017/01: Lack of legal protection for Northern goshawk and birds of prey in Norway

[T-PVS/Files(2018)39 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)XX - Complainant Report]

### 5.3 Complaints on stand-by

➤ 2014/3: Presumed deliberate killing of birds & 2016/3: Alleged deliberate killing of birds of prey (Serbia)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)8 – Complainant report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)10 – Government report]

➤ 2014/6: Wind energy: Possible threats to an endangered natural habitat in Izmir (Turkey)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)XX - Complainant Report]

➤ 2014/8: Presumed large-scale exploitation and marketing of protected marine shelled molluscs in Greece

[T-PVS/Files(2018)34 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)20 - Complainant report]

➤ 2015/2: Possible impact of wind-farm developments on bats ("the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia")

[T-PVS/Files(2018)13 + Ann.1 + Ann.2 - Government report]

➤ 2016/4: Development of a commercial project in Skadar Lake National Park and candidate Emerald site (Montenegro)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)2 + Ann. - Complainant report]

> 2016/5: Presumed negative impact of hydro-power plant development on the Vjosa river in Albania

[T-PVS/Files(2018)19 - Complainant report]

➤ 2016/6: Presumed risk of national extinction of great bustards (*Otis tarda*) (Serbia)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)1 – Complainant report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)9 + Ann. – Government report]

➤ 2016/9: Possible threat to "Svaneti 1" Candidate Emerald Site (GE0000012) from Nenskra Hydro Power Plant development (Georgia)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)11 + Ann. + Ann.2 + Ann.3 - Complainant report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)7 - Government report]

## 5.4 Other complaints

➤ 2017/2: Alleged negative impacts to Lake Ohrid and Galichica National Park candidate Emerald Sites due to infrastructure developments ("the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia")

[T-PVS/Files(2018)3 + Ann. - Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2018)18 - Government report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)16 - Complainant report]

➤ 2017/3: Possible negative impact of a harbor's construction on the confluence of the Sava into the Danube (Serbia)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)4 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2018)6 –Government report]

> 2017/4: Presumed threat to Emerald site Tarutino (UA0000137) from cultivation developments (Ukraine)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)5 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2018)12 – Government report]

➤ 2017/6: Possible negative impact on Breiðafjörður Nature Reserve's authentic birch woods from new road infrastructure

[T-PVS/Files(2018)35 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2018)22 – Government report]

> 2017/07: Alleged threat to the Raaderwald Forest in Austria

[T-PVS/Files(2018)31 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2018)32 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)XX - Complainant Report]

➤ 2018/1: Presumed threat to Emerald site "Polonina Borzhava" (UA0000263) from wind energy development (Ukraine)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)23 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2018)37 –Government report]

➤ 2018/2: Presumed threat to Emerald site "Black Sea Biosphere Reserve" (UA0000017) from military trainings (Ukraine)

[T-PVS/Files(2018)24 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2018)38 –Government report]

➤ 2018/4: Alleged threat to Bodrum Tilkicik Bay from the development of a marine project

[T-PVS/Files(2018)36 – Government report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)27 – Complaint form]

### 6. FOLLOW-UP OF PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS AND CASE-FILES

➤ Closed file No. 2011/4: Threat to the Mediterranean monk seal (*Monchus monachus*) in Turkey

[T-PVS/Files(2018)XX - Government report]

➤ Recommendation No.190 (2016) on the conservation of natural habitats and wildlife, specially birds, in afforestation of lowland in Iceland

[T-PVS/Files(2018)XX – Government report]

➤ Recommendation No. 169 (2013) on the Rhone streber (*Zingel asper*) in the Doubs (France) and in the canton of Jura (Switzerland) in the frame of a case-file on stand-by 2011/5: France / Switzerland

[T-PVS/Files(2018)41 - Government report] [T-PVS/Files(2018)30 + ann. + ann2 -NGOs report]

Recommendation No. 175 (2015) of the Standing Committee, adopted on 4 December 2015, on the monitoring of the agreement concluded in the frame of complaint No. 2013/5 (Lithuania)

- 7. COMMUNICATION AND VISIBILITY
- 8. 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE BERN CONVENTION
- 9. 38<sup>TH</sup> STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
  - 9.1 Draft Agenda

[T-PVS/Agenda(2018)1 –Draft Agenda1

- 9.2 Draft Programme of Activities 2019
- **10. AOB**