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**The Emerald Network in South East Europe  
(Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro,  
Serbia, “The former Yugoslav Republic of  
Macedonia”)**

28 September 2017

13.30 – 17.45

**AGENDA**

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		Documents	Expected results
13.30	<b>1. Opening of the meeting: objectives and expected results</b>  <i>Secretariat</i>		Representatives of the SEE countries are informed of the aims of the meeting
	<b>2. Relationship between Natura 2000 and the Emerald Network</b>  <i>Secretariat / Frank Vassen</i>		Representatives of the SEE countries are reminded of the relationship between Natura 2000 and the Emerald Network
	<b>3. The sufficiency evaluation process</b>  <i>Presentation by Otars Opermanis</i>	Revised criteria for assessing the National Lists of proposed Emerald sites (ASCIs) at biogeographical level and procedure for examining and approving Emerald candidate sites <a href="#">T-PVS/PA (2013) 13</a>	Representatives of the SEE countries are reminded of the methodology and objectives of the sufficiency evaluation
	<b>4. Results achieved in the first Balkan biogeographical seminar in Bar (Montenegro) in November 2011</b>  <i>Presentation by Marc Roekaerts and Otars Opermanis</i>	Final <a href="#">conclusions</a> of the biogeographical seminar	Representatives of the SEE countries are reminded of the conclusions of the first Balkan biogeographical seminar
	<b>5. Work from countries after the biogeographical seminar in Bar (Montenegro) in November 2011</b>  <i>Representatives of the SEE countries are invited to report on the work done following the biogeographical seminar in Bar</i>		The Secretariat is informed of the follow up given by the SEE countries to the conclusions of the biogeographical seminar in Bar and of the state of play of the Emerald Network in the SEE region.

15:45 – 16:15	<b>Coffee break</b>		
	<b>6. New SDF Management tool</b> <i>Presentation of the tool by Marc Roekaerts</i>	Emerald Network <a href="#">Software</a>	Representatives of the SEE countries are informed of the new SDF Management tool
	<b>7. Expectations for the coming years</b> <i>Representatives of the SEE countries are invited to present their expectations and plans for the coming years</i>		The Secretariat is informed of SEE countries' plans regarding the Emerald Network and understands what could be its contribution.
	<b>8. Upload of new data by the end of February 2018</b> <i>Representatives of the SEE countries are invited to inform the Secretariat of the feasibility and/or the challenges of submitting updated databases by the end of February 2018</i>		An agreement on the submission of updated databases by the end of February 2018 is reached. Possible challenges are identified.
	<b>9. Opportunity of a biogeographical seminar during the second 2018 semester</b> <i>Representatives of the SEE countries are invited to inform the Secretariat of their interest in a second biogeographical seminar</i>		An agreement on a second biogeographical seminar during the second 2018 semester is reached provided that updated databases are submitted by the SEE countries.
17:45	<b>10. Conclusions of the meeting</b>		