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CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE
AND NATURAL HABITATS

Standing Committee

41st meeting (*online*)
Strasbourg, 29 November - 3 December 2021

Opening of the meeting: 2.00 pm on Monday, 29th November 2021¹

DRAFT AGENDA

PART I – OPENING

- 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
- 2. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DELEGATIONS AND FROM THE SECRETARIAT**
- 3. FINANCING AND STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE BERN CONVENTION**
 - 3.1. Financing of the Bern Convention**
 - 3.1.1 Enlarged Partial Agreement
 - 3.1.2 Amendment of the Bern Convention
 - 3.2. Vision and Strategic Plan for the Bern Convention for the period to 2030 and contribution to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework**
 - 3.3. Rules of Procedure - Possible modifications**

PART II – MONITORING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF LEGAL ASPECTS

- 4. MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE CONVENTION**
 - 4.1. Biennial reports 2017-2018 and 2019-2020 concerning exceptions made to Articles 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8**
 - 4.2. Online Reporting System**

¹ Plan for the discussion of the agenda is available at the end of this document

PART III – MONITORING OF SPECIES AND HABITATS

5. MONITORING OF SPECIES AND HABITATS

5.1. Invasive Alien Species

5.2. Conservation of Birds: eradication of illegal killing, trapping and trade of wild birds

5.3. Amphibians and Reptiles

5.4. Guidance tool for the Conservation of Marine Turtles

5.5. Pan-European Action Plan for Sturgeons

5.6. Eradication of the Ruddy Duck

5.7. Review of the Plant Conservation Strategy

5.8. Conservation of Habitats:

5.8.1 *Emerald Network of Areas of Special Conservation Interest*

5.8.2 *European Diploma for Protected Areas*

5.9. Reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012) on the conservation status of species and habitats

PART IV – MONITORING OF SPECIFIC SITES AND POPULATIONS

6. SPECIFIC SITES AND POPULATIONS

6.1. Case-file system reflection and possible improvements

6.2. Files opened

- 2004/2: Bulgaria: Wind farms in Balchik and Kaliakra –Via Pontica
- 2013/1: North Macedonia: Hydro power development within the territory of the Mavrovo National Park- *on-the-spot appraisal*
- 2016/5: Albania: Presumed negative impact of hydro-power plant development on the Vjosa river
- 2016/4: Montenegro: Development of a commercial project in Skadar Lake National Park and candidate Emerald site
- 1995/6: Cyprus: Akamas peninsula
- 2010/5: Greece: threats to marine turtles in Thines Kiparissias
- 2012/9: Turkey: Presumed degradation of nesting beaches in Fethiye and Patara SPAs
- 1986/8: Greece: Recommendation No. 9 (1987) on the protection of *Caretta Caretta* in Laganas bay, Zakynthos

6.3. Possible files

- 2001/4: Bulgaria: Motorway through the Kresna Gorge - *on-the-spot appraisal*
- 2019/5: Turkey: Habitat destruction in Mersin Anamur Beach

- 2020/09: Bosnia and Herzegovina: Possible negative impact of hydro-power plant development on the Neretva river

6.4. Complaints on stand-by

- 2017/6: Iceland: Possible negative impact on Breiðafjörður Nature Reserve's authentic birch woods from new road infrastructure- *on-the-spot appraisal*
- 2018/1: Ukraine: Presumed threat to Emerald site "Polonina Borzhava" (UA0000263) from wind energy development (taking into account the "Other Complaints" concerning Emerald Network sites in Ukraine)- *on-the-spot appraisal*
- 2017/02: North Macedonia: Alleged negative impacts to Lake Ohrid and Galichica National Park candidate Emerald Sites due to infrastructure developments

6.5. Follow-up of previous complaints and Recommendations

- [Recommendation No. 95 \(2002\)](#) on the conservation of marine turtles in Kazanlı beach, Turkey
- [Recommendation No.190 \(2016\)](#) on the conservation of natural habitats and wildlife, especially birds, in afforestation of lowland in Iceland

PART V – COOPERATION AND COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMME OF WORK 2022-2023

7. INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION WITH OTHER MEAS AND ORGANISATIONS

8. AWARENESS AND VISIBILITY

9. DRAFT PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET FOR 2022-2023

10. STATES TO BE INVITED AS OBSERVERS TO THE 42ND MEETING

PART VI – OTHER ITEMS

11. ELECTION OF CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR AND BUREAU MEMBERS

12. DATE AND PLACE OF THE 42ND MEETING

13. ADOPTION OF THE MAIN DECISIONS OF THE MEETING

14. OTHER BUSINESS (ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

PLAN FOR DISCUSSION OF THE AGENDA

MORNINGS 9.00 am - 12.30 pm (CET)	AFTERNOONS 2.00 pm – 5.30 pm (CET)
MONDAY 29th November	
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TUESDAY 30th November	
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THURSDAY 2nd December

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FRIDAY 3rd December

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Please note:

The 41st Standing Committee meeting will be held online via KUDO.

The documents for the meeting will be available at the following link:

<https://www.coe.int/en/web/bern-convention/-/41st-meeting-of-the-standing-committee>