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**WORKSHOP ON EXPERIENCES ON CONTROL AND ERADICATION  
OF INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES ON ISLANDS  
AND  
12<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE GROUP OF EXPERTS  
ON INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES  
(1-3 June 2017)**

University of Madeira, Funchal, Madeira (Portugal)

**31<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2017**

Arrival of participants

**1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2017**

**MORNING**

09.00am Registration

09.30am Welcome

- by Ms Susana Prada, *Secretária Regional do Ambiente e dos Recursos Naturais*
- by Prof. Dr Elsa Maria dos Santos Fernandes, Rector of the University of Madeira (Madeira)
- by the Portuguese authorities

Meeting of the Bern Convention Group of Experts on IAS (for government delegates and NGOs, but open to observers) – 1<sup>st</sup> PART

**AFTERNOON**

**Workshop on experiences on control and eradication of Invasive Alien Species on islands**

*The workshop is intended to bring conservation practitioners, scientists and governments who would like to share their experience in successful/failed operations in the control and eradication of IAS on islands in Europe and the Mediterranean as well as on the positive conservation gains and the restoration of ecosystem after eradication.*

*Presentation on islands and protected areas are particularly welcome. Proposals for contributions are welcome. Around 16 participants will be selected for oral presentations – see draft programme of the workshop in page 3.*

**2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2017**

09.30am Meeting of the Bern Convention Group of Experts on IAS (for government delegates and NGOs, but open to observers) – 2<sup>nd</sup> PART

**3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2017**

Full day guided excursion to Desertas Islands

**4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017**

Departure of participants

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OF INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES ON ISLANDS**

(Funchal, Madeira, Portugal, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017)

Chaired by Mr Øystein Størkersen, Chair of the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention

**- PROGRAMME -**

**2.30PM – START OF THE WORKSHOP**

**Keynote speaker:**

- **Eradication on islands. Is it effective? Does it deliver conservation gains? Is it worth the cost?**  
by Mr Piero Genovesi
- **Eradication and control of vertebrate invasive species in Madeira Archipelago: a short review**  
presented by Mr Paulo Oliveira (Madeira, Portugal)
- **Some examples of eradications and control in the Canary Islands**  
by Mr Juan-Luis Rodriguez-Luengo (Canary islands, Spain)
- **Regional Plan for Eradication and Control of Invasive Plant Species in Sensitive Areas. Some examples**  
by Mr João Melo (Azores, Portugal)
- **Island Eradication work in Scotland**  
by Mr Paul Walton (Scotland, United Kingdom)

**4.00 – 4.20 PM : COFFEE BREAK**

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**06.00 PM : CLOSURE OF THE WORKSHOP**



## Bern Convention Group of Experts on Invasive Alien Species

12<sup>th</sup> meeting  
University of Madeira, Funchal (Portugal), 1-3 June 2017

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### AGENDA

**1. OPENING OF THE MEETING BY THE CHAIR AND WELCOME BY MADEIRAN AUTHORITIES**

**2. ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT AGENDA**

*Relevant documents :*

*T-PVS (2015) 10 Report of the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Group  
T-PVS (2016) 12 – Report of the Select Group on IAS*

**3. INTRODUCTION BY THE SECRETARIAT: PROGRESS ON INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES UNDER THE CONVENTION WITH OTHER BERN CONVENTION INITIATIVES.**

**Relevant Recommendations adopted by the Standing Committee since June 2015**

*Relevant documents :*

*T-PVS/Inf (2016) 13 – Code of Conduct on Recreational Boating and IAS  
T-PVS/Inf (2017) 3 – Report of the expert group on eradication of ruddy duck  
T-PVS/Inf (2016) 10 – Guidance for governments concerning IAS Pathways Action plans*

- Recommendation No. 185 (2016) on the eradication of the ruddy duck (*Oxyura jamaicensis*) in the Western Palaearctic by 2020
- Recommendation No. 188 (2016) on the European Code of Conduct on Recreational Boating and Invasive Alien Species
- Recommendation No. 189 (2016) on the control of the American mink (*Neovison vison*) in Europe

**4. IMPLEMENTATION BY STATES OF THE EUROPEAN STRATEGY ON IAS - NATIONAL REPORTS**

*Relevant document :*

*T-PVS/Inf (2017) 9 – National Reports*

**5. REPORTS FROM INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND OTHER**

**5.1 Status of global work on IAS by the Chair of ISSG (IUCN) Classifying IAS by their environmental impact IUCN policy on biodiversity conservation and synthetic biology**

**5.2 European Commission work on Invasive Alien Species: progress in the implementation of the EU Regulation on the prevention and management of the introduction and spread of invasive alien species**

**5.3 Progress on the European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organisation (EPPO)**

**5.4 Progress on NOBANIS portal**

**5.5 Convention on Biological Diversity - *The Honolulu Challenge***

**6. USE OF OTHER LEGAL INSTRUMENTS (POST AND SANITARY REGULATIONS, WILDLIFE TRADE REGULATIONS) TO PREVENT ENTRY AND SPREAD OF IAS**

**Regulating threats posed by Invasive Alien Species: Potential of ‘other legal instruments’**

*Relevant document :*

*T-PVS/Inf (2017) 7*

**7. CODES OF CONDUCT**

**7.1 European Code of Conduct on Invasive Alien Trees**

*Relevant document :*

*T-PVS/Inf (2017) 8*

**7.2 European Code of Conduct on International Travel and IAS**

*Relevant document :*

*T-PVS/Inf (2017) 1*

**7.3 Implementation of the European Code of Conduct on Hunting and IAS**

*Relevant document :*

*T-PVS/Inf (2017) 5*

**7.4 Communicating Codes of Conduct: the case of the European Code of Conduct on Boating and IAS**

*Relevant document :*

*T-PVS/Inf (2016) 13*

**8. PROPOSALS TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE TO THE BERN CONVENTION: WORK AHEAD**

**9. OTHER BUSINESS**

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There were a number of proposals for further work.

The Group agreed that it would be appropriate to continue Codes of Conduct.

The follows were possible issues:

- Aquaculture and IAS;
- Canals and IAS;
- Biofuels and IAS;
- Infrastructure construction and IAS;
- Commercial ports and IAS;
- Tourism and IAS;
- Composting and IAS;
- Internet trade/e-commerce of IAS (with a view to improve enforcement and fight this type of wildlife crime).