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**NATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND INITIATIVES
ON THE CONSERVATION OF AMPHIBIANS
AND REPTILES
Macedonian Report**

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CONTENST

- Legal Framework
- Overview of the main features
- Overview of implementation of priority activities for conservation of important habitats and amfiban and reptaille species
- Relevant institutions, sectors, programmes, studies (EIA, SEA), management plans, action plans
- Iniciatives: Introduce of communication, education and public awareness for integral conservation of ampfbian and reptail species and their habitat
- Conclusions



Legal framework

- CBD, CMS, RAMSAR, BERN, CITES
- Laws on ratification CBD, CMS, RCW, BC, CITES
- Law of Nature protection (O.G.2004,2006-2016)
- Law of Water (Official Gazette RM 2007)
- Law of Forestry (Official Gazette RM 2007)
- Law of Hunting (Official Gazette RM 2009)
- Law of Fishery and Aquaculture (O.G.RM 2008)
- Laws of Proclamation 4 Strict Nature Reserves
- Laws of Proclamation 3 National Parks
- Laws of Proclamation 8 Monuments of Nature
- Law of Trade (Official Gazette RM 2004)
- Governmental Decision on trade articles include in export and import (Official Gazette RM 2008)



Overview of the main features

Overview of NBSAP

10 Strategic key goals

- In situ conservation of BD
- Ex situ conservation of BD
- Institutional capacity building
- Research and monitoring
- Public awareness and education
- Environment impact assessment
- Supporting measures
- Legislation
- Financial sources for conservation
- Coordination of process of the implementation of measures

Reporting of the implementation of Action Plans

Strategic goals, objectives and targets (2012-2017)

New Draft NBSAP (2018-2023)



Overview of the status of implementation of SAP BD

Progress has been noted in:

- Identified obstacles: insufficient capacity building, education, limit of financial resources, loss level of public awareness
- Examples of process of the implementation of SAP BD: good cooperation with four National Committee in preparation of National Reports for implementation of CBD, CMS, RCW, FCCC, preparation of Master Plan, four Regional Plans (MEPP, SDPP),
- Case studies: Evaluation of BD in 10 protected areas, preparation of NEAP-2, evaluation of endangered plant species, bird (vultures), mammals (lynx, bear, lutra)
- Contribution of Aichi BD Goals 2020
 - prohibition of capture of amphibian and reptile species in natural habitats,
 - reintroduction of amphibian and reptal species in natural nhabitats (aquatic, march, therestic)
 - farming production of aquatic and therestial turtles.



Introduce of communication, education and public awareness

- Internet connection, web-site,
central data-bass of amphibian
and reptaille species**
- Registers, catalogs of species,**
- National monitoring system,**
- Programmes for education
(schools, university, institution)**
- Activities of public awareness
(institutions, NGOs, media)**
- Publication for conservation of
amphibian and reptile species
(books, lefflets, CD)**
- eco-campaigns, training,
seminars, workshops, ankets.**



Initiative on the conservation of amphibians and reptiles

- Strengthening of capacity building in national and local level,
- Ensuring financial resources for implementation of measures,
- Improving communication (NCS),
- Improving education (NES),
- Increasing public awareness (PA)
- Challenges: implementation of Joint programmes for sustainable use of live animal species (balance between trade and conservation), projects for reduction and prohibition of illegal trade
- sanitation and revitalization of degraded natural habitats for amphibian and reptile species.



CONCLUSIONS

- **Review of actually situation of SAP BD**
- **Identified remarks, obstacles, gaps**
- **Selected examples of conservation measures**
- **Selected plans, measures and actions**
- **Description of the reduction in the loss of BD including amphibians and reptiles (2020 GBD)**
- **Programmes, projects for monitoring of amphibians and reptiles and their habitats**
- **Joint programmes for regional cooperation**
- **Financial support for preparation National Reports for implementation of priority activities in European Region (Ber Convention)**



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