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CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE
AND NATURAL HABITATS

**Group of Specialists on the
European Diploma for Protected Areas**

2-3 March 2023
(In-person meeting)

DRAFT AGENDA

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		Documents	Expected results
Thursday 2nd March			
9.30	1. Opening of the meeting <i>Mr Jan Plesnik (Czech Republic), Chair of the Group of Specialists</i>		
	2. Adoption of the agenda	Meeting agenda T-PVS/Agenda(2023)02 For adoption	Members of the Group of Specialists are informed of the aims of the meeting and adopt the agenda.
	3. General information on activities presenting an interest for the work of the Group of Specialists		
	3.a Short presentation of the report of the meeting of the group in 2022 and of the activities undertaken during the last year <i>Mr Jan Plesnik (Czech Republic), Chair of the Group of Specialists</i>	Report of the 2022 meeting of the Group of Specialists on the European Diploma for Protected Areas T-PVS/DE(2022)12 For information	The salient points of the 2022 meeting of the Group of Specialists are recalled.
	3.b Follow up by the Secretariat on the conclusions of the 2022 meeting of the Group of Specialists <i>Presentation by the Secretariat</i>	Extract from the list of decisions and adopted texts on the European Diploma for Protected Areas, at the 42 nd meeting of the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention T-PVS/DE(2023)04	Members of the Group of Specialists are informed of the follow up given to the outcomes and decisions of the 2022 meeting of the Group of Specialists.

		<p>List of resolutions renewing the Diploma adopted by the Committee of Ministers in 2022 CM/Del/Dec(2022)1440/9.1</p> <p>For information</p>	
	<p>4. Results of the advisory visits, discussion and proposals to the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe</p>		
	<p>4.a Camargue National Reserve (France)</p> <p><i>Presentation by Mr Pierre Galland</i></p> <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to discuss the conclusions of the on-the-spot appraisal visit report and to exchange views on possible follow up.</i></p>	<p>Report on the assessment visit to the Camargue National Reserve T-PVS/DE(2023)01</p> <p>Draft resolution regarding the renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas awarded to the Camargue National Reserve T-PVS/DE(2023)10</p> <p>For discussion and decision</p>	<p>Members of the Group of Specialists agree on a draft resolution renewing the European Diploma to the Camargue National Reserve which will be sent to the Committee of Ministers for formal adoption.</p>
	<p>4.b Maremma Regional Park (Italy)</p> <p><i>Presentation by Ms Blanca Ramos</i></p> <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to discuss the conclusions of the on-the-spot appraisal visit report and to exchange views on possible follow up.</i></p>	<p>Report on the assessment visit to the Maremma Regional Park T-PVS/DE(2023)02</p> <p>Draft resolution regarding the renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas awarded to the</p>	<p>Members of the Group of Specialists agree on a draft resolution renewing the European Diploma to the Maremma Regional Park which will be sent to the Committee of Ministers for formal adoption.</p>

		<p>Maremma Regional Park</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)10</p> <p>For discussion and decision</p>	
	<p>4.c Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise National Park (Italy)</p> <p><i>Presentation by Ms Blanca Ramos</i></p> <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to discuss the conclusions of the on-the-spot appraisal visit report and to exchange views on possible follow up.</i></p>	<p>Report on the assessment visit to the Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise National Park</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)03</p> <p>Draft resolution regarding the renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas awarded to the Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise National Park</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)10</p> <p>For discussion and decision</p>	<p>Members of the Group of Specialists agree on a draft resolution renewing the European Diploma to the Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise National Park which will be sent to the Committee of Ministers for formal adoption.</p>
	<p>4.d Hautes Fagnes Nature Reserve (Belgium)</p> <p><i>Presentation by Mr Peter Skoberne</i></p> <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to discuss the conclusions of the on-the-spot appraisal visit report and to exchange views on possible follow up.</i></p>	<p>Report on the assessment visit to the Hautes Fagnes Nature Reserve</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)05</p> <p>Draft resolution regarding the renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas awarded to the Hautes Fagnes Nature Reserve</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)10</p> <p>For discussion and decision</p>	<p>Members of the Group of Specialists agree on a draft resolution renewing the European Diploma to the Hautes Fagnes Nature Reserve which will be sent to the Committee of Ministers for formal adoption.</p>

	<p>4.e Retezat National Park (Romania)</p> <p><i>Presentation by Mr Peter Skoberne</i></p> <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to discuss the conclusions of the on-the-spot appraisal visit report and to exchange views on possible follow up.</i></p>	<p>Report on the assessment visit to the Retezat National Park</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)06</p> <p>Draft resolution regarding the renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas awarded to the Retezat National Park</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)10</p> <p>For discussion and decision</p>	<p>Members of the Group of Specialists agree on a draft resolution renewing the European Diploma to the Retezat National Park which will be sent to the Committee of Ministers for formal adoption.</p>
	<p>4.f Piatra Craiului National Park (Romania)</p> <p><i>Presentation by Mr Peter Skoberne</i></p> <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to discuss the conclusions of the on-the-spot appraisal visit report and to exchange views on possible follow up.</i></p>	<p>Report on the assessment visit to the Piatra Craiului National Park</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)07</p> <p>Draft resolution regarding the renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas awarded to the Piatra Craiului National Park</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)10</p> <p>For discussion and decision</p>	<p>Members of the Group of Specialists agree on a draft resolution renewing the European Diploma to the Piatra Craiului National Park which will be sent to the Committee of Ministers for formal adoption.</p>
	<p>4.g Lüneburg Heath Nature Reserve (Germany)</p> <p><i>Presentation by Mr Maurice Hoffmann</i></p> <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to</i></p>	<p>Report on the assessment visit to the Lüneburg Heath Nature Reserve</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2023)08</p>	<p>Members of the Group of Specialists agree on a draft resolution renewing the European Diploma to the Lüneburg Heath Nature Reserve which will be sent to the Committee of Ministers for formal adoption.</p>

	<i>discuss the conclusions of the on-the-spot appraisal visit report and to exchange views on possible follow up.</i>	Draft resolution regarding the renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas awarded to the Lüneburg Heath Nature Reserve T-PVS/DE(2023)10 For discussion and decision	
	5. Presentation of the reporting results by the Secretariat and the Group of Specialists		
	5.a Analysis of the annual reports <i>Introduction by the Secretariat</i> <i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to share their comments on and discuss the outcomes of the annual reports and exchange views on possible follow up.</i>	Compilation of the analysis of the annual reports T-PVS/DE(2023)09 Link to the dashboard of the European Diploma for Protected Areas For discussion and decision	The compliance of the Diploma holding areas with the conditions and/or recommendations attached to the award/renewal of the European Diploma is assessed and possible areas at risk requiring a closer monitoring or even an exceptional on-the-spot appraisal visit are identified.
	5.b Follow up on the areas identified in 2022 as requiring particular attention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scandola Nature Reserve (France) • Doñana National Park (Spain) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Judgment of the European Court of Justice of 24 June 2021 ➤ Report on the Joint WHC / IUCN / RAMSAR Reactive monitoring mission to Doñana National Park, Spain (25-28 February 2020) 	Compilation of the analysis of the annual reports T-PVS/DE(2023)09	Follow up on the monitoring of Diploma-holding areas requiring particular attention is agreed on.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weltenburger Enge Nature Reserve (Germany) • Thayatal National Park (Austria) • Krimml Waterfalls Natural Site (Austria) <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to exchange views on the situation of Diploma holding areas identified as requiring closer attention and to agree on follow up actions in the light of the 2022 annual reports and the information received by the Secretariat.</i></p>	<p>For discussion and decision</p>	
	<p>6. On-the-spot appraisal visits in 2023</p> <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to exchange views on the on-the-spot appraisal visits to be carried out in 2023</i></p>	<p>List of areas which could benefit from an on-the-spot appraisal visit in 2023</p> <p>T-PVS/DE(2022)13</p> <p>For discussion and decision</p>	<p>Diploma holding areas whose Diploma is due in 2023 and for which an-the-spot appraisal visit is to take place in 2022 are identified.</p>
	<p>7. Follow up on the communication strategy for the European Diploma</p> <p><i>Presentation by the Secretariat</i></p> <p><i>Members of the Group of Specialists are informed of the follow up given to the communication plan discussed last year and to provide insight on how to further elaborate on it.</i></p>	<p>Link to the virtual exhibition of the European Diploma for Protected Areas</p> <p>Link to the new webpage of the European Diploma</p> <p>Communication plan for the European Diploma T-PVS/DE(2021)03rev</p>	<p>Members of the Group of Specialists agree on priority actions for promoting the European Diploma.</p>

		For information	
	9. Any other business		
	10. Date and place of the next meeting		
	11. Conclusions of the meeting		
12.00	<i>Friday 3rd March</i> End of the meeting		