Strasbourg, 13 May 2025 **T-PVS/Agenda(2025)04**

CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE
AND NATURAL HABITATS

Group of Specialists on the European Diploma for Protected Areas

20 May 2025

Venue: Centro Administrativo del Parque Nacional y Parque Natural de Sierra Nevada, Granada, Spain

Hybrid meeting

AGENDA

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		Documents	Expected results
Tuesday 20 May 2025			
9.30	**1. Opening of the meeting** *Mr Jan Plesnik (Czech Republic), Chair of the Group of Specialists*		
	2. Adoption of the agenda	Meeting agenda: T-PVS/Agenda(2025)04 **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 2024 and of the activities undertaken during the last year *Mr Jan Plesnik (Czech Republic), Chair of the Group of Specialists*	Report of the 2024 meeting of the Group of Specialists on the European Diploma for Protected Areas: T-PVS/DE(2024)12 **For information**	The salient points of the 2024 meeting of the Group of Specialists are recalled .
	3.b Follow up by the Secretariat on the conclusions of the 2024 meeting of the Group of Specialists *Presentation by the Secretariat* *Members of the Group of Specialists are informed of the follow up given to the conclusions of the 2024 meeting of the Group of Specialists and of the decisions of the 44th Standing Committee regarding the European Diploma.*	Extract from the list of decisions and adopted texts on the European Diploma for Protected Areas, at the 44th meeting of the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention: T-PVS/DE(2024)01 List of resolutions renewing the Diploma adopted by the Committee of Ministers in 2024 CM/Del/Dec(2024)1504/9.1	Members of the Group of Specialists take note of the follow up given to the outcomes and decisions of the 2024 meeting of the Group of Specialists.

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	4. Results of the advisory visits, discussion and proposals to the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe		
	4.a Regional Park Gallipoli Cognato (Italy) *Presentation by Ms Blanca Ramos* *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.*	Report on the assessment visit to the Regional Park Gallipoli Cognato T-PVS/DE(2025)03 Draft resolution regarding the renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas awarded to the Gallipoli Cognato Regional Park T-PVS/DE(2025)04 **For discussion and decision**	Members of the Group of Specialists agree on a draft resolution renewing the European Diploma to the Gallipoli Cognato Regional Park which will be sent to the Committee of Ministers for formal adoption.
	4.b Sierra Nevada National Park, Nature Park and Biosphere Reserve (Spain) *Presentation by Mr Pierre Galland* *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.*	Report on the assessment visit to the Sierra Nevada National Park, Nature Park and Biosphere Reserve T-PVS/DE(2025)02 Draft resolution regarding the award of the European Diploma for Protected Areas to the Sierra Nevada National Park, Nature Park and Biosphere Reserve T-PVS/DE(2025)04 **For discussion and decision**	Members of the Group of Specialists agree on a draft resolution awarding the European Diploma to the Sierra Nevada National Park, Nature Park and Biosphere Reserve which will be sent to the Committee of Ministers for formal adoption.

11.30 Coffee break			
11.45	4c New application for the EDPA: Eagle's Nest Landscape Park (Park Krajobrazowy Orlich Gniazd), Poland	**For information** EDPA Application form - Eagles Nest Landscape Park Resolution on the CM/ResDip(2008)1 on the revised regulations for the European Diploma for Protected Areas	The Secretariat will inform the GoE about the application to the European Diploma of a new protected area in Poland, and the state of play of the evaluation procedure
	5. Presentation of the reporting results by the Secretariat and the Group of Specialists		
	5.a Analysis of the annual reports *Introduction by the Secretariat* *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.*	2025 Compilation of the analysis of the annual reports T-PVS/DE(2025)05 Methodological note on the usage of the assessment forms of the annual reports T-PVS/DE(2024)02 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 2024 as requiring particular attention • Wurzacher Ried Nature Reserve (Germany) • Scandola Nature Reserve (France) • Doñana National Park (Spain) • Weltenburger Enge Nature Reserve (Germany)	2025 Compilation of the analysis of the annual reports T-PVS/DE(2025)05	

	• Krimml Waterfalls Natural Site (Austria) • Purbeck Heritage Coast (UK) • Minsmere Nature Reserve (UK) *Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to exchange views about Diploma holding areas identified as requiring closer attention and to agree on follow up actions in the light of the 2024 annual reports and the information received by the Secretariat.*	Purbeck: Strategic and Technical Planning Committee Report Minsmere: Suffolk Wildlife Trust - Sizewell C Nuclear Power Station Stage 4 Pre-Application Consultation **For discussion and decision**	
14.00 Lunch Break			
15.00	**6. On-the-spot appraisal visits in 2025** *Introduction by the Secretariat* *Members of the Group of Specialists are invited to exchange views on the on-the-spot appraisal visits to be carried out in 2025.*	**For discussion and decision**	Members of the Group of Specialists agree on the on-the-spot appraisal visits to be carried out in 2025.
	7. UNESCO World Heritage Convention *Presentation by Mr Michael Schimek* *Members of the Group of Specialists are informed of the functioning of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention.*	**For information**	Members of the Group of Specialists take note of the functioning of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention.
	8. 60th Anniversary of the European Diploma for Protected Areas *Presentation by the Secretariat*	Agenda of the celebratory event, 21 May 2025 T-PVS/Agenda(2025)05	Members of the Group of Specialists take note of the agendas and draft declaration of the celebrations of the 60th anniversary of the European Diploma for Protected Areas.

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	9. Any other business		
	10. Date and place of the next meeting		
	11. Conclusions of the meeting		
17.00	**End of the meeting**		