



Strasbourg, 11th September 2023

T-PVS/Agenda(2023)14 Rev

CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE
AND NATURAL HABITATS

Standing Committee
Bureau meeting

12-13 September 2023
(Strasbourg, room G05, Agora building, opening: 9:30 am)

REVISED DRAFT AGENDA

- 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
- 2. REPORT FROM THE SECRETARIAT**
 - 2.1. Notification of denunciation by Belarus of the Bern Convention**
 - 2.2. Follow-up to the Summit of the Heads of State and Government of the Council of Europe on 16-17 May 2023 in Reykjavik, Iceland**

[\[Reykjavik Declaration\]](#)
- 3. FINANCING AND STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE BERN CONVENTION**
 - 3.1. Ad hoc Drafting Group of an Amending Protocol**

[T-PVS(2023)06 - report of the 2nd meeting]
[T-PVS(2023)11 - report of the 3rd meeting]
[T-PVS(2023)12 – Draft report of the 4th meeting]
[T-PVS(2023)xx – Draft report of the 5th meeting]
 - 3.2. Voluntary contributions received in 2023: state of play**

[T-PVS/Inf(2023)11 - Table of the voluntary contributions received]
 - 3.3. Report on the use of the resources from the Special Account of the Bern Convention**
 - 3.4. Vision and Strategic Plan for the Bern Convention for the period to 2030: state of play: Discussion on a draft recommendation**

[T-PVS(2023)09 - report of the 6th meeting]
[T-PVS(2023)18 - Strategic Plan for the Bern Convention for the period to 2030 – 9th draft]
[T-PVS(2023)20 - Draft recommendation to possibly accompany the Strategic Plan]
 - 3.5. Case-file reflection: Prioritising case-files**

[T-PVS/Inf(2023)10 - Proposed framework to assess incoming case-file complaints]

4. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET FOR 2023

[Calendar of meetings 2023]

[T-PVS(2022)19 - Programme of Activities and budget for 2023]

4.1. European Diploma for Protected Areas

[T-PVS/DE(2022)13 – List of the 2023 on-the-spot appraisal visits]

4.2. Illegal killing of birds: State of play

[T-PVS/Inf(2023)09 - Suggested methodology and guidance for conducting socio-economic research into the motivations behind illegal killing, taking and trade of birds]

4.3. Action Plan for the eradication of the Ruddy Duck in Europe: State of play

[T-PVS(2023)17 - Report of Expert Meeting]

[T-PVS(2023)24 - Draft analytical report]

4.4. Amphibians and reptiles: Group of Experts meeting & marine turtles conservation

[Doc prepared by the consultants - RACE]

[T-PVS/Agenda(2023)13 – Draft agenda of the 11th meeting of the Group of Experts on the Conservation of Amphibians and Reptiles]

4.5. Emerald Network: State of play of the written procedure

[Decision of the Committee of Ministers [CM/Del/Dec\(2023\)1469/9.1c](#)]

[Chair letter for a written procedure]

[Voting form]

4.6. Reporting on the conservation status of species and habitats – state of preparation of the forthcoming reporting cycle

[T-PVS/PA(2023)03 - Report of the 3rd meeting of the Ad hoc Working Group on Reporting]

4.7. Conservation of large carnivores: Expert Conference in the Harz Mountains (Germany), 11-12 May 2023

5. 43RD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

5.1. Draft Agenda

[T-PVS/Agenda(2023)16 – Preliminary draft agenda]

5.2. Programme of Activities 2024

[T-PVS(2023)21 – Preliminary draft programme of Activities and budget for 2024]

5.3. Increased cooperation with youth organisations

6. MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE CONVENTION (Biennial reporting and Online reporting system)

7. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION: CASE-FILES

[T-PVS/Notes(2023)4 – Summary of open and possible case files]

[T-PVS/Notes(2023)5– Summary of complaints on stand-by]

[T-PVS/Notes(2023)6– Summary of new complaints and follow-up recommendations]

[T-PVS/Inf(2023)2 – Register of Bern Convention's case-files]

7.1. Open files

- 1995/06: Cyprus: Akamas peninsula

[T-PVS/Files(2023)58 – Government Report]

[T-PVS/Files(2023)41 – Complainant Report]

- 2012/09: Türkiye: Presumed degradation of nesting beaches in Fethiye and Patara SPAs

[T-PVS/Files(2023)43 - Government Report]

[T-PVS/Files(2023)39 - Complainant Report]

- 2013/01: North Macedonia: Hydro power development within the territory of Mavrovo National Park

[T-PVS/Files(2023)45 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)57 - Complainant Report]

- 2017/02: North Macedonia: Alleged negative impacts to Lake Ohrid and Galichica National Park candidate Emerald Sites due to infrastructure developments – **OSA**

[T-PVS/Files(2022)3 –Terms of Reference of the OSA]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)45 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)27 - Complainant Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)31 – Draft OSA Report]
[T-PVS(2023)22 – Draft Recommendation]

- 2016/05: Albania: Presumed negative impact of developments on the Vjosa river including hydro-power plant development and Vlora International Airport - **OSA and Written Procedure**

[T-PVS/Files(2022)1 –Terms of Reference of the OSA]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)19 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)20 - Complainant Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2022)67 – OSA report]
[Recommendation no.219 (2023) on the possible impacts of infrastructure and urbanisation developments particularly Vlora International Airport, on the Vjosa-Narta Protected Area]

- 2016/04: Montenegro: Development of a commercial project in Skadar Lake National Park and candidate Emerald site

[T-PVS/Files(2023)44 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)XX - Complainant Report]

- 2010/05: Greece: threats to marine turtles in Thines Kiparissias

[T-PVS/Files(2023)35 – Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)46 – Complainant Report]

- 1986/08: Greece: Recommendation No. 9 (1987) on the protection of Caretta Caretta in Laganas bay, Zakynthos

[T-PVS/Files(2023)36 – Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)47 – Complainant Report]

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

[T-PVS/Files(2023)23 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)16 - Complainant Report]

- 2019/05: Türkiye: Habitat destruction in Mersin Anamur Beach

[T-PVS/Files(2023)56 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)42 - Complainant Report]

7.2. Possible files

- 2001/04: Bulgaria: Motorway through the Kresna Gorge

[T-PVS/Files(2023)21 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)22 - Complainant Report]

7.3. Complaints on stand-by

- 2017/06: Iceland: Possible negative impact on Breiðafjörður Nature Reserve's authentic birch woods from new road infrastructure

*[T-PVS/Files(2023)52 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)53 - Complainant Report]*

- 2019/04: United Kingdom: Badger Culling Policy in England

*[T-PVS/Files(2023)33 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)48 - Complainant Report]*

- 2020/04: Armenia: The Amulsar gold mine project and its impacts on Emerald Network sites

*[T-PVS/Files(2023)15 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)07 - Complainant Report]*

- 2021/01: Türkiye: Alleged threats to marine turtles due to a new coal-fired power plant at Sugözü Beach

*[T-PVS/Files(2023)49 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)XX - Complainant Report]*

- 2021/07: Serbia: Alleged threat to fauna species and protected sites due to the proposed construction of a lithium mine in the Jadar River Valley

*[T-PVS/Files(2023)17 - Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)18 - Complainant Report]*

- 2021/08: Georgia: Possible threat to Rioni River from the Namakhvani Hydropower Project

*[T-PVS/Files(2023)38 – Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)51 – Complainant report]*

7.4. New complaints

- 2022/07: Bosnia & Herzegovina: Possible negative impact of mining activities in Trstionica – Gornja Bukovica and Vareš

*[T-PVS/Files(2022)76 – Complaint form]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)XX – Government Report]*

- 2022/08: Serbia: Possible negative impact of mining activities in Mountain Baba

*[T-PVS/Files(2022)78 – Complaint form]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)50 – Government Report]*

7.5. Follow-up of previous recommendations and case-files

- [Recommendation No. 95 \(2002\)](#) on the conservation of marine turtles in Kazanlı beach, Türkiye

*[T-PVS/Files(2023)55 – Government Report]
[T-PVS/Files(2023)40 – Complainant report]*

- [Recommendation No.190 \(2016\)](#) on the conservation of natural habitats and wildlife, especially birds, in afforestation of lowland in Iceland

[T-PVS/Files(2023)54 – Government Report]

7.6. New complaint forms received

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS