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T-PVS/Agenda(2021)18

CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE
AND NATURAL HABITATS

Standing Committee
Bureau meeting

15-16 September 2021
(Virtual meeting, opening: 9:00 am on 15 September)

DRAFT AGENDA

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

[\[T-PVS\(2021\)04\]](#) - report of April Bureau meeting]
[\[T-PVS\(2021\)08\]](#) - report of June extra-ordinary Bureau meeting]

2. FINANCING AND STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE BERN CONVENTION

2.1. Inter-sessional working group on financing: state of play

[\[T-PVS\(2021\)01\]](#) - Report of the first meeting]
[\[T-PVS\(2021\)03\]](#) – Report of the second meeting]
[\[T-PVS\(2021\)06\]](#) – Report of the third meeting]

2.2. Voluntary contributions received in 2021: state of play

[T-PVS/Inf(2021)07 - Follow up table of the voluntary contributions received]

2.3. Report on the use of the resources from the Special Account of the Bern Convention

2.4. Working Group on a Vision and Strategic Plan for the Bern Convention for the period to 2030: state of play

[\[T-PVS\(2021\)07\]](#) – report of 2nd meeting]
[4th drafts of Vision & Strategic Plan]

2.5. Policy Guidelines for an integrated culture/nature/landscape management

[Draft Concept Note]

2.6. Rules of procedure: Possible modifications

[T-PVS/Inf(2021)XX – draft of possible RoP modifications]

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET FOR 2021

[\[T-PVS/Inf\(2021\)11\]](#) – Calendar of 2021 meetings]
[\[T-PVS\(2020\)07\]](#) - Programme of Activities and budget for 2021]

3.1. European Diploma for Protected Areas: state of play of the 2021 on-the-spot appraisal visits

[\[T-PVS/DE\(2020\)20\]](#) – List of the 2021 on-the-spot appraisal visits]

[\[T-PVS/DE\(2020\)19\]](#) - List of the 2020 on-the-spot appraisal visits]

3.2. Illegal killing of birds: state of play (joint MIKT meeting, IKB Scoreboard and Rome Strategic Plan)

[\[T-PVS\(2021\)10\]](#) – Report of joint MIKT meeting]

[\[T-PVS/Inf\(2021\)33\]](#) - proposal for future periodic assessment and frequency and format of future joint meetings]

[\[T-PVS/Inf\(2021\)45\]](#) - Options for Baseline and methodology IKB]

[\[T-PVS/Inf\(2021\)25\]](#)- Considerations for the way forward on preparing a format and guidance for the development and implementation of national IKB action plans]

3.3. Invasive Alien Species: state of play (Group of Experts meeting, guidelines on Communication and IAS, E-Commerce and IAS, Study on Alien Pathogens)

[\[T-PVS\(2021\)9\]](#) –Report of GoE meeting]

[\[T-PVS/Inf\(2021\)42\]](#) - Brief summary of foreseen updates to the report on alien pathogens and pathogens spread by IAS]

[\[T-PVS/Inf\(2021\)39\]](#) -Guidance on e-commerce and IAS]

[\[T-PVS\(2021\)11\]](#) –Draft Recommendation on e-commerce and IAS]

3.4. Amphibians and reptiles: Group of Experts meeting and Action Plan on Marine Turtles

[\[T-PVS/Agenda\(2021\)14\]](#) – Draft agenda of GoE meeting]

[\[T-PVS/Inf\(2021\)40\]](#) - Terms of reference of ad hoc working group for conservation of marine turtles]

3.5. Setting-up of the Emerald Network: state of play and ongoing activities in 2021

a. Groups of experts on Protected Areas and Ecological Networks, 5-6 October 2021

[\[T-PVS/Agenda\(2021\)15\]](#) – Draft agenda of Group of Experts on Protected Areas and Ecological Networks]

[\[T-PVS/PA\(2021\)01\]](#) – Future work on the legal framework of the Emerald Network – Possible next steps]

b. State of development of the Emerald Network

c. Update on the Emerald Network tools: funding needs

d. Criteria for the assessment of negative changes to Emerald Network databases

e. Cooperation project in the South East Europe

3.6. Reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012) on the conservation status of species and habitats: results of the consultation of Contracting Parties

[\[T-PVS/PA\(2021\)04\]](#) - Opinions about the reporting under the Resolution No. 8 (2012): assessment of the past reporting exercise and pointers for the future]

3.7. Biodiversity and Climate Change: state of play

3.8. Pan-European Action Plan for the conservation of the Sturgeon: state of play

3.9. Action Plan for the eradication of the Ruddy Duck in Europe: state of play

3.10. Review of the European Plant Conservation Strategy: state of play

4. 41ST STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

4.1. Draft Agenda

[\[T-PVS/Agenda\(2021\)20\]](#)

4.2. Draft Programme of Activities 2022-2023

[Draft Programme of Activities and budget for 2022-2023]

5. COMMUNICATION STRATEGY AND VISIBILITY OF THE CONVENTION (Voices of Nature Campaign and World Forum for Democracy)

6. MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE CONVENTION (Biennial Reporting, Online Reporting System)

7. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION: CASE-FILES

[T-PVS/Notes(2021)4 – Summary of open and possible case files]

[T-PVS/Notes(2021)5 – Summary of complaints on stand-by]

[T-PVS/Notes(2021)6 – Summary of other complaints]

[T-PVS/Notes(2021)7 – Summary of Follow-up Recommendations]

[[T-PVS/Inf\(2021\)05](#) – Register of Bern Convention's case-files]

7.1. Case-file system reflection and possible improvements

[T-PVS/Inf(2021)30 – [revised] Secretariat memorandum]

7.2. Open files

➤ 1995/6: Cyprus: Akamas peninsula

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)60](#) – Government Report]

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)61](#) – Complainant Report]

➤ 2004/2: Bulgaria: Wind farms in Balchik and Kaliakra –Via Pontica

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)73](#) - Government Report]

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)70](#) - Complainant Report]

➤ 2012/09: Turkey: Presumed degradation of nesting beaches in Fethiye and Patara SPAs

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)28](#) – Government Report]

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)62](#) – Complainant Report]

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

[[T-PVS/Files\(2020\)18](#) –Terms of Reference of the OSA]

➤ 2016/5: Albania: Presumed negative impact of hydro-power plant development on the Vjosa river

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)68](#) - Government Report]

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)57](#) - Complainant Report]

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

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)46](#) – Government Report]

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)17](#) – Complainant Report]

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

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)47](#) – Government Report]

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)32](#) – Complainant Report]

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

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)48](#) – Government Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)19](#) – Complainant Report]

7.3. Possible files

- 2001/04: Bulgaria: Motorway through the Kresna Gorge: on-the-spot appraisal

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)01](#) – Terms of Reference of the OSA]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)36](#) – Government Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)59](#) – Complainant Report]

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

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)29](#) – Government Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)27](#) – Complainant Report]

7.4. Complaints on stand-by

- 2015/02: North Macedonia: Possible impact of wind-farm developments on bats

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2020\)69](#) – Government Report (2020)]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)34](#) – Complainant Report]

- 2016/06: Serbia: Presumed risk of national extinction of Great Bustards

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)54](#) – Government Report]

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

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2020\)69](#) – Government Report (2020)]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)37](#) – Complainant Report]

- 2017/05: Ukraine: Presumed threat to Emerald site Tarutino (UA0000137) from cultivation developments

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)11](#) – Government Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)58](#) – Complainant Report]

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

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)64](#) – Government Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)24](#) – Complainant Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)02](#) – Draft Terms of Reference of the OSA]

- 2018/01: Ukraine: Presumed threat to Emerald site “Polonina Borzhava” (UA0000263) from wind energy development: on-the-spot appraisal

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)41](#) – Government Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)18](#) – Complainant Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)38](#) – Terms of Reference of the OSA]

- 2018/05: Ukraine: Alleged threats to the Emerald Network sites Skhidnyi Svydovets, Marmaroski ta Chyvchyno-Hryniavski Hory and Carpathian biosphere Reserve

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)41](#) – Government Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)21](#) – Complainant Report]

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

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)53](#) – Government Report]

[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)55](#) – Complainant Report]

- 2020/01: Ukraine: Recognising Horbachykha as a protected area to save it from residential developments
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)42](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)33](#) – Complainant Report]
- 2020/04: Armenia: The Amulsar gold mine project and its impacts on Emerald Network sites
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)50](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)13](#) – Complainant Report]
- 2020/06: Portugal: Presumed threat to Tagus Estuary Special Protected Area from a new airport
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)31](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)56](#) – Complainant report]
- 2020/09: Bosnia and Herzegovina: Possible negative impact of hydro-power plant development on the Neretva river
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)40](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)65](#) – Complainant report]

7.5. Other complaints

- 2019/01: Ukraine: Possible negative effects of hydrocarbons extraction in four Emerald sites in Donetsk-Kharkiv region
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)41](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)30](#) – Complainant Report]
- 2019/02: Ukraine: Presumed threat to Emerald site Zatoky (UA0000214) from windfarm developments
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)41](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)20](#) – Complainant Report]
- 2020/02: Ukraine: Logging threats to the Black Tysa River in Emerald Network site "Marmaroski ta Chyvchyno-Hryniavski Hory" (UA0000117)
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)43](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)66](#) – Complainant Report]
- 2020/03: Ukraine: Presumed threat to Emerald Network site “Bugzkyi Gard National Nature Park” (UA0000040)
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)44](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)23](#) – Complainant Report]
- 2020/08: Bulgaria: Alleged threat to biodiversity due to draft amendment of hunting legislation
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)05](#) – Complaint form]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)15](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)67](#) – Complainant report]
- 2021/01: Turkey: Alleged threats to marine turtles due to a new coal-fired power plant at Sugözü Beach
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)45](#) – Government Report]
[\[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)71](#) – Complainant report]

7.6. New complaints

- 2021/2: Norway: Alleged threat to birds and protected sites due to the proposed construction of windfarms

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)07](#) – Complaint form]
[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)63](#) – Government Report]

- 2021/03: Romania: Alleged unsustainable logging within the Retezat National Park

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)51](#) – Complaint form+ [Annex](#)]
[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)72](#) – Government Report]

- 2021/04: Ukraine: Threats to wild flora and fauna and their natural habitats in Irpin river valley Emerald Network site from constructions

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)52](#) – Complaint form]
[T-PVS/Files(2021)XX – Government Report]

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

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

[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)69](#) – Complainant report]
[[T-PVS/Files\(2021\)74](#) – Government Report]

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS