



# Strasbourg, 13 September 2022

# T-PVS/Agenda(2022)18

# CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE AND NATURAL HABITATS

# Standing Committee Bureau meeting

15-16 September 2022 (Strasbourg, opening: 9:00 am on 15<sup>th</sup> September)

# DRAFT AGENDA

# 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

[T-PVS(2022)05- Report of April Bureau meeting]

### 2. FINANCING AND STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE BERN CONVENTION

2.1. Inter-Sessional Working Group on Finances: state of play

[T-PVS(2022)01 - Report of 5th meeting] [T-PVS(2022)02 - Proposal for Article 14 bis amending the Bern Convention and its draft Annex] [GR-C(2022)10 – Concept note on the creation of a Fund for the Bern Convention]

2.2. Voluntary contributions received in 2022: state of play

[T-PVS/Inf(2022)13 - Table of 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(2022)10– Report of 5<sup>h</sup> meeting] [8<sup>th</sup> draft of the Strategic Plan]

#### 2.5. Rules of procedure and case-file reflection: state of play

[T-PVS/Inf(2022)29 -Proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Standing Committee] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)30 -Explanatory table - Proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Standing Committee] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)27 - Case-file reflection - Draft summary of general procedures for the processing of complaints]

#### 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET FOR 2022

[Calendar of 2022 meetings] [T-PVS(2021)26 - Programme of Activities and budget for 2022-2023]

3.1. European Diploma for Protected Areas

[T-PVS/DE(2022)01 – List of the 2022 on-the-spot appraisal visits]

# **3.2.** Conservation of birds: state of play (4<sup>th</sup> joint MIKT meeting, IKB Scoreboard and Rome Strategic Plan, 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Group of Experts on the conservation of birds)

[T-PVS(2022)11 - Report of 4<sup>th</sup> joint IKB/MIKT meeting] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)21rev - Instructions for additional narrative text to support Scoreboard submissions] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)18rev2 – Draft Legislative Guidance relating to IKB]

[T-PVS/Inf(2022)19rev2 - Draft Model law provisions on IKB]

[*T*-PVS/Inf(2022)20rev - Draft Methodology, guidance and common format for research into the motivations behind IKB] [*T*-PVS/Inf(2022)23 – Draft Guidance for the Development and Implementation of National Action Plans Against IKB] [*T*-PVS(2022)12 - Report of 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the GoE]

[T-PVS/Inf(2022)31 - Action Plan for river birds in the five-country Biosphere Reserve "Mura-Drava-Danube"]

# **3.3.** Invasive Alien Species: state of play (texts on Communication and IAS, Study on Alien Pathogens, Climate Change and non-native trees)

[T-PVS/Inf(2022)35 - Guidance on communication and IAS] [T-PVS(2022)15 - Draft Recommendation on communication and IAS] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)40 - Report on alien pathogens and pathogens spread by IAS] [T-PVS(2022)16 - Draft Recommendation on alien pathogens and pathogens spread by IAS] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)41 - Analysis of replies to questionnaire on non-EU Contracting Parties legislation on wildlife pathogens] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)39 - Position paper on Invasive Alien Tree Species and Climate Change] T-PVS(2022)17 - Draft Recommendation on Invasive Alien Tree Species and Climate Change]

**3.4.** Amphibians and reptiles: marine turtles conservation [T-PVS(2022)14 - Report of 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the ad hoc WG for the conservation of marine turtles] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)42 - Draft guidance tool - marine turtles initiative]

#### 3.5. Setting-up of the Emerald Network: state of play and work plan for 2022

#### a. Group of Experts on Protected Areas and Ecological Networks, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022

[T-PVS/PA(2022)07 - Meeting report of the GoE on Protected Areas and Ecological Networks]

b. Biogeographical evaluation of the list of Emerald Network sites designated by Iceland

[Conclusions of the evaluation]

c. Biogeographical evaluation of the list of Emerald Network sites designated by Liechtenstein

[T-PVS/Agenda(2022)23 - Draft agenda]

#### 3.6. Reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012) on conservation status of species and habitats

[T-PVS/PA(2022)08 - Meeting report of the ad hoc WG on Reporting]

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

[T-PVS/Agenda(2022)22 – Draft agenda]

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

[T-PVS(2022)18 - Report of Expert Meeting]

#### **3.9.** Biodiversity and Climate Change: state of play

[T-PVS(2022)13 – Meeting report of the GoE on Biodiversity and Climate Change] [T-PVS(2022)09 – Draft revised Terms of Reference of the GoE on Biodiversity and Climate Change]

#### **3.10.** Conservation of large carnivores

[Background Information on the Development of a Range-Wide Conservation Strategy for the Persian Leopard]

[Overview Report on the Conservation Status of the Persian Leopard]. [Draft Strategy]

# 4. 42<sup>ND</sup> STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

#### 4.1. Draft Agenda

[T-PVS/Agenda(2022)20]

#### 4.2. Programme of Activities 2023

[T-PVS(2022)19 – Programme of activities and budget for2023] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)44 - Paper on pros and cons of biennial StC meeting]

#### 5. COMMUNICATION STRATEGY AND VISIBILITY OF THE CONVENTION

#### 6. MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE CONVENTION

#### 6.1. Biennial reporting and Online Reporting System

6.2. Amendment proposal by Switzerland: Downlisting of the wolf (*canis lupus*) to Appendix III of the Convention

[T-PVS/Inf(2022)45 - Pan-European assessment of the conservation status of the wolf]

### 7. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION: CASE-FILES

[T-PVS/Notes(2022)4 – Summary of open and possible case files] [T-PVS/Notes(2022)5– Summary of complaints on stand-by] [T-PVS/Notes(2022)6– Summary of other complaints] [T-PVS/Inf(2022)07 – Register of Bern Convention's case-files]

#### 7.1. Open files

➤ 1995/6: Cyprus: Akamas peninsula

[T-PVS/Files(2022)64 – Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)48 – Complainant Report]

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

[T-PVS/Files(2022)63 – Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX – Complainant Report]

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

[T-PVS/Files(2022)34 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)40 - Complainant Report]

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

> [T-PVS/Files(2022)58 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)28 - 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)03 – Draft Terms of Reference of the OSA] [T-PVS/Files(2022)58 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)29 - Complainant Report]

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

[T-PVS/Files(2022)01 – Terms of Reference of the OSA] [T-PVS/Files(2022)26 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)19 - Complainant Report]

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

> [T-PVS/Files(2022)62 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)23 - Complainant Report]

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

[T-PVS/Files(2022)49 – Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)56 – Complainant Report]

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

> [T-PVS/Files(2022)50 – Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)57 – Complainant Report]

#### 7.2. Possible files

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

[T-PVS/Files(2022)47 - Joint Report]

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

[T-PVS/Files(2022)32 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)33 - Complainant Report]

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

> [T-PVS/Files(2022)02 –Terms of Reference of the OSA] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)22 - Complainant Report]

#### 7.3. Complaints on stand-by

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

[T-PVS/Files(2022)51 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Complainant Report]

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

> [T-PVS/Files(2021)02rev –Terms of Reference of the OSA] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Complainant Report]

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

> [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Complainant Report]

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

> [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Complainant Report]

2020/01: Ukraine: Recognising Horbachykha as a protected area to save it from residential developments

[T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - 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(2022)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)21 - Complainant Report]

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

> [T-PVS/Files(2022)35 - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)44 - Complainant Report]

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

> [T-PVS/Files(2022)52- Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX - Complainant Report]

#### 7.4. Other complaints

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(2022)XX - Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)14 - Complainant Report]

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

[T-PVS/Files(2022)39– Government Report] [T-PVS/Files(2022)38 – Complainant report]

#### 7.5. New complaints

2021/09: Ukraine: Possible negative impact on the Luhansk region from hydraulic gas drilling activities

[T-PVS/Files(2022)45 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2022)XX– Government Report]

➤ 2022/01: Serbia: Alleged habitat destruction in the area of Novi Sad due to proposed infrastructure constructions

[T-PVS/Files(2022)10 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2022)53– Government Report]

> 2022/03: Norway: Wolf Culling Policy in Norway

[T-PVS/Files(2022)31 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2022)54– Government Report]

[T-PVS/Files(2022)60 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2022)61– Government Report]

> 2022/05: Poland: Fence Construction on the Polish-Belarusian Border

[T-PVS/Files(2022)65 – Complaint form] [T-PVS/Files(2022)66– Government Report]

#### 7.6. Follow-up of previous recommendations and case-files

Closed file No. 2011/4: Threat to the Mediterranean monk seal (Monachus monachus) in Türkiye

[T-PVS/Files(2022)55–Government Report]

# 8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS