



Strasbourg, 26th October 2022

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CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE
AND NATURAL HABITATS

Standing Committee

42nd meeting

Strasbourg, hybrid meeting, 28 November - 2 December 2022

Opening of the meeting: 2.00 pm CET on Monday, 28th November 2022¹

PRELIMINARY DRAFT AGENDA

PART I – OPENING

- 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
- 2. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DELEGATIONS AND FROM THE SECRETARIAT**
- 3. MODALITIES OF PARTICIPATION OF BELARUS IN THE WORK OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE**
- 4. FINANCING AND STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE BERN CONVENTION**
 - 4.1. Financing of the Bern Convention**
 - 4.1.1 Setting up of a financial mechanism – state of play*
 - 4.1.2 Next steps*
 - 4.2. Vision and Strategic Plan for the Bern Convention for the period to 2030 and contribution to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework**
 - 4.3. Case-file reflection**
 - 4.4. Rules of Procedure - Possible modifications**

¹ Draft plan for the discussion of the agenda is available at the end of this document.

PART II – MONITORING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF LEGAL ASPECTS

5. MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE CONVENTION

5.1. Biennial reports 2017-2018 and 2019-2020 concerning exceptions made to Articles 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8

5.2. Proposal for amendment: Downlisting of the wolf (*Canis lupus*) from Appendix II to Appendix III of the Convention

PART III – MONITORING OF SPECIES AND HABITATS

6. MONITORING OF SPECIES AND HABITATS

6.1. Conservation of Birds: IKB and Group of Experts

6.2. Invasive Alien Species

6.3. Amphibians and Reptiles: Conservation of Marine Turtles

6.4. Biodiversity and Climate Change

6.5. Pan-European Action Plan for Sturgeons

6.6. Action Plan for the Eradication of the Ruddy Duck

6.7. Conservation of Large Carnivores

6.8. Conservation of Habitats:

6.8.1 *Emerald Network of Areas of Special Conservation Interest*

6.8.2 *European Diploma for Protected Areas*

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

PART IV – MONITORING OF SPECIFIC SITES AND POPULATIONS

7. SPECIFIC SITES AND POPULATIONS

7.1. Files opened

- 2004/2: Bulgaria: Wind farms in Balchik and Kaliakra –Via Pontica
- 2013/1: North Macedonia: Hydro power development within the territory of the Mavrovo National Park
- 2017/02: North Macedonia: Alleged negative impacts to Lake Ohrid and Galichica National Park candidate Emerald Sites due to infrastructure developments - *on-the-spot appraisal*
- 2016/5: Albania: Presumed negative impact of hydro-power plant development on the Vjosa river - *on-the-spot appraisal*
- 2016/4: Montenegro: Development of a commercial project in Skadar Lake National Park and candidate Emerald site
- 1995/6: Cyprus: Akamas peninsula
- 2010/5: Greece: threats to marine turtles in Thines Kiparissias
- 2012/9: Türkiye: Presumed degradation of nesting beaches in Fethiye and Patara SPAs

- 1986/8: Greece: Recommendation No. 9 (1987) on the protection of *Caretta Caretta* in Laganas bay, Zakynthos

7.2. Possible files

- 2001/4: Bulgaria: Motorway through the Kresna Gorge
- 2019/5: Türkiye: Habitat destruction in Mersin Anamur Beach
- 2020/09: Bosnia and Herzegovina: Possible negative impact of hydro-power plant development on the Neretva river - *on-the-spot appraisal*

7.3. Complaints on stand-by

- 2017/6: Iceland: Possible negative impact on Breiðafjörður Nature Reserve's authentic birch woods from new road infrastructure- *on-the-spot appraisal*

7.4. Follow-up of previous complaints and Recommendations

- Closed file No. 2011/4: Threat to the Mediterranean monk seal (*Monachus monachus*) in Türkiye
- [Recommendation No. 169 \(2013\)](#) on the Rhone streber (Zingel asper) in the Doubs (France) and in the canton of Jura (Switzerland) in the framework of a case-file on stand-by 2011/5: France / Switzerland

PART V – COOPERATION AND COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMME OF WORK 2023

8. INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION WITH OTHER MEAS AND ORGANISATIONS

9. AWARENESS AND VISIBILITY

10. DRAFT PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET FOR 2023

11. STATES TO BE INVITED AS OBSERVERS TO THE 43RD MEETING

PART VI – OTHER ITEMS

12. ELECTION OF CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR AND BUREAU MEMBERS

13. DATE AND PLACE OF THE 43RD MEETING

14. ADOPTION OF THE MAIN DECISIONS OF THE MEETING

15. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

DRAFT PLAN FOR DISCUSSION OF THE AGENDA

MORNINGS 9.00 am - 12.30 pm (CET)	AFTERNOONS 2.00 pm – 5.30 pm (CET)
MONDAY 28th November	
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