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AND NATURAL HABITATS

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**Group of Experts on Protected Areas and Ecological  
Networks**

10<sup>th</sup> meeting

2 October 2019

Trondheim (Norway)

(Norwegian Environment Agency, *opening: 14.00*)

**DRAFT AGENDA**

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		Documents	Expected results
<b>Wednesday 2 October</b>			
<b>14.00</b>	<b>1. Opening of the meeting</b>		
	<b>2. Adoption of the agenda</b>	Meeting agenda T-PVS/Agenda(2019)10  <b>For adoption</b>	Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed of the aims of the meeting and adopt the agenda.
	<b>3. Mandate of the Group and decisions of the 38<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention</b>  <i>Presentation by the Secretariat</i>	Report of the 9th meeting of the Group of Experts on Protected Areas and Ecological Networks <a href="#">T-PVS/PA(2018)19E</a>  Extract from the list of decisions and adopted texts on the protection of habitats <a href="#">T-PVS/PA(2019)9</a>  <b>For information</b>	The salient points of the 38 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention are recalled.
	<b>4. Reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012)</b>		
	4.a State of play of the reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012)  <i>Presentation by the Secretariat</i>		Members of and observers to the Group of Experts take note of the state of the reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012)

	<i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed of the state of the reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012)</i>	<b>For information</b>	
	<p>4.b Reporting tool</p> <p><i>Presentation by Marc Roekaerts</i></p> <p><i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed of the current state of development of the reporting tool.</i></p>	<p><a href="#">Link to the reporting tool</a></p> <p><b>For information</b></p>	Members of and observers to the Group of Experts take note of the state of play of the reporting tool
	<p>4.c Reporting Reference Portal</p> <p><i>Presentation by the Secretariat</i></p> <p><i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed of the recent resources made available from the Reporting Reference Portal</i></p>	<p><a href="#">Link to the Reference Portal for the reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012)</a></p> <p><b>For information</b></p>	Members of and observers to the Group of Experts take note of the recent resources published on the Reporting Reference Portal
	<b>5. Development of the Emerald Network guidance</b>		
	<p>5.a Consultation on the Guidance on detecting, reporting, assessing and responding to changes in the ecological character of Emerald Network sites</p> <p><i>Presentation by the Secretariat</i></p> <p><i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed on the results of the consultation on the Guidance documents and</i></p>	<p>Guidance on detecting, reporting, assessing and responding to changes in the ecological character of Emerald Network sites.</p> <p><a href="#">T-PVS/PA(2018)13</a></p> <p>Flowchart of steps to be taken to assess, report and respond to changes in ecological character of Emerald network sites</p>	Members of and observers to the Group of Experts agree on the follow up to be given to guidance on detecting, assessing and responding to changes and likely changes in the ecological character of Emerald Network sites.

	<p><i>invited to exchange views on possible follow up work.</i></p>	<p><a href="#">T-PVS/Inf(2019)3</a></p> <p>Study on the “ecological character” of sites</p> <p><a href="#">T-PVS/PA(2017)8</a></p> <p><b>For discussion and decision</b></p>	
	<p>5.b Natura 2000 biogeographical process</p> <p><i>Presentation by the Secretariat</i></p> <p><i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed of the Natura 2000 biogeographical process and invited to exchange views the opportunity to initiate a similar process for the Emerald Network.</i></p>	<p><b>For information</b></p>	<p>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts take note of the Natura 2000 biogeographical process and welcome the opportunity to participate in the networking events organised at the margins of the Natura 2000 biogeographical seminars.</p>
	<p>5.c Resources for the management of Natura 2000 sites</p> <p><i>Presentation by the Secretariat</i></p> <p><i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed of the update of Natura 2000 resources aimed to assist Parties to develop management schemes.</i></p>	<p><a href="#">Link to the website</a></p> <p>For information</p>	<p>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts take note of the update of the resources to be used in the context of the Emerald Network.</p>
	<p>5.d National designation types</p> <p><i>Presentation by Marc Roekaerts</i></p>	<p><a href="#">Link to EEA’s website</a></p> <p><a href="#">Designation types delivery manual</a></p>	<p>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts agree to update their national designation types and agree to consider the new designation types in their forthcoming Emerald Network database.</p>

	<p><i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed of the state of play of the updating process of the national designation types</i></p>	<p><a href="#">National designation types</a></p> <p><b>For information and decision</b></p>	
	<p>5.e Proposals of additional species to Resolution No. 6 (1998) and/or habitats to Resolution No. 4 (1996)</p> <p><i>Reminder by the Secretariat</i></p> <p><i>Presentation of the proposals by Marc Roekaerts</i></p> <p><i>Presentation of the amendments of the interpretation manual of habitats listed in Resolution No. 4 (1996)</i></p> <p><i>Representatives of the Contracting Parties and Observer states are reminded of the procedure for amending the lists of species and habitats of the Resolution No. 6 (1998) and/or Resolution No. 4 (1996)</i></p> <p><i>Representatives of the Contracting Parties and Observer States are invited to discuss and to exchange views on the proposal to amend the Resolutions No. 4 (1996) and No. 6 (1998)</i></p>	<p>Proposal of addition of marine habitats to Resolution No. 4 (1996) <a href="#">T-PVS/PA (2019)6</a></p> <p>Proposal of addition of Alpine and sub-alpine heaths to Resolution No. 4 (1996) <a href="#">T-PVS/PA(2019)7</a></p> <p>Revision of the Interpretation Manual of the Habitats listed in Resolution No 4 (1996) <a href="#">T-PVS/PA (2019)8</a></p> <p><b>For discussion and decision</b></p>	<p>The amendments proposed are agreed on and their inclusion in Resolution No. 4 (1996) and Resolution No. 6 (1998) is sent for adoption to the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention.</p>
	<p>5.f Mechanism for adding features on the Resolutions No. 4 (1996) and No. 6 (1998)</p> <p><i>Presentation by the Secretariat</i></p>	<p>Proposal of mechanism for extending the list of species and</p>	<p>The proposal of mechanism is agreed on by the members of and observers to the Group of Experts</p>

	<p><i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are invited to discuss the working document and to exchange views on possible follow up work</i></p>	<p>habitats to be protected under the Emerald Network</p> <p><a href="#">T-PVS/PA (2019)5</a></p> <p><b>For discussion and decision</b></p>	
	<p><b>6. State of play of the Emerald Network and future perspectives</b></p> <p><i>Presentation of the state of implementation of the Emerald Network calendar by the Secretariat</i></p> <p><i>Presentation of the consolidated sufficiency conclusion by Marc Roekaerts</i></p> <p><i>Representatives of the Contracting Parties and Observer states are invited to confirm that all newly proposed sites from their latest national databases are to be sent for official nomination as candidate sites to the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention.</i></p> <p><i>Representatives of the Contracting Parties and Observer states are invited to inform the Secretariat whether their country is submitting its candidate Emerald Network sites for official adoption as Emerald sites by the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention.</i></p>	<p>Progress in the enforcement of the Revised calendar for the implementation of the Emerald Network (2011-2020)</p> <p><a href="#">T-PVS/PA(2019)12</a></p> <p>Draft recommendation on the progress in the implementation of the Emerald Network</p> <p><a href="#">T-PVS/PA(2019)11</a></p> <p>Progress of the sufficiency of the Emerald Network</p> <p><a href="#">T-PVS/PA(2018)11</a></p> <p>Consolidated sufficiency conclusions following the 2017 and 2018 biogeographical evaluation seminars</p> <p><a href="#">T-PVS/PA(2018)15</a> (excel version) / <a href="#">MS Access version</a></p> <p><b>For discussion and decision</b></p>	<p>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed of the progress in the setting-up of the Emerald Network in all Contracting Parties and Observer States concerned.</p> <p>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts agree on the draft recommendation on the progress in the implementation of the Emerald Network and send it for adoption to the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention.</p> <p>Countries may request the official nomination of their newly proposed Emerald Network sites as candidate Emerald sites by the Standing Committee.</p> <p>Countries are reminded that proposed sites considered within the biogeographical evaluation process will automatically be nominated as candidate sites.</p> <p>Countries may request the official adoption as Emerald sites of their candidate sites by the Standing Committee.</p> <p>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are informed of the state of play and evolvement of the sufficiency of the Emerald Network.</p>

	<b>7. Future work of the Group of Experts</b>		
	7.a Programme of activities 2020 <i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts are invited to propose and discuss new activities in 2020</i>	<b>For discussion and decision</b>	Priority activities are identified and will feed into the Programme of activity 2020 of the Bern Convention (subject to the availability of financial and human resources)
	7.b Date and place of the next meeting of the Group of Experts <i>Members of and observers to the Group of Experts wishing to host the next meeting of the Group of Experts are invited to inform the Secretariat.</i>	<b>For decision</b>	The provisional venue and dates of the next meeting are agreed on.
	<b>8. Any other business</b>		
	<b>9. Conclusions of the meeting</b>		
<b>18.00</b>	<b>Wednesday 2 October</b> <b>End of the meeting</b>		