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AND NATURAL HABITATS

GROUP OF EXPERTS ON PROTECTED AREAS AND ECOLOGICAL NETWORKS

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DRAFT REPORTING FORMAT

**on the implementation of Recommendation No.16 (1989) and Resolution
No.5 (1998) of the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention on the
Emerald Network of Areas of Special Conservation Interest (ASCI's)**

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INTRODUCTION

At its 5th meeting in 2013, the Group of Experts on Protected Areas and Ecological Networks discussed a proposed list of topics which could be included in the reporting form on the measures put in place at national level for the implementation of the Bern Convention Recommendations and Resolutions on the Emerald Network.

The present document builds further on this list by proposing a concrete reporting form to be filled in during the first reporting year (2018) by all Contracting Parties and Observer state to the Bern Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats working on the setting-up of the Emerald Network.

Part 2 of the form concentrates on a summary of conservation status for all species (per taxonomic group) and habitats (per main level 1 habitat type) concerned. The option of including a selection of species and habitats from Resolutions No.4 (1996) and No.6 (1998), on which Contracting Parties and Observer states will report regarding their individual conservation status is still to be debated by the Group of Experts on Protected Areas and Ecological Networks.

**Implementation of Recommendation No. 16 (1986), Resolution No. 5 (1998) and Resolution No. 8 (2012) of the Standing Committee to the Bern Convention
on the Emerald Network of Areas of Special Conservation Interest (ASCI's)**

FORM FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD 2012-2018

COUNTRY:

REPORTING DATE:

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RESPONDENT:

Name:
Organisation:
Address:.....
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E-mail:

1. State of play of the implementation of Recommendation No. 16 (1989), Resolution No. 5 (1998) and Resolution No. 8 (2012) of the Standing Committee

1.1 General statistics:

(Please provide the most recent data available at the reporting date)

	Number of sites	Area	% country coverage
Number of sites PROPOSED as ASCI (Emerald):			
Number of sites ACCEPTED as Candidate ASCI			
Number of sites ACCEPTED as ASCI			
Number of sites DESIGNATED as ASCI			

1.2 Result of the biogeographical evaluation in terms of national Reference Lists:

(Please provide the most recent data available at the reporting date)

	Total	“SUF”	Other
Number of species in the country Reference List:			
Number of habitats in the country Reference List:			

1.3 Process of scientific identification of areas suitable for the Emerald Network:

(Please report on responsible authorities, dedicated inventories undertaken, database(s) established, involvement of stakeholders, national workshop and seminars, etc. ...)

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- 1.4 Process of submitting the proposed Emerald sites (proposed ASCIs) and their nomination as candidate Emerald sites (candidate ASCIs):

(Please describe the timeframe of the process, any difficulties encountered, reasons of possible delays, etc. ...)

2. Planning and implementation of conservation measures, as foreseen by Recommendation No. 157 (2012) and Resolution No. 8 (2012) of the Standing Committee

- 2.1 Protection of candidate Emerald sites:

[Please report on any already existing conservation measures or measures put in place after the nomination of the areas as candidate Emerald sites, in order to comply with Recommendation No. 157 (2012)]

- 2.2 National designation of adopted Emerald sites:

[Please report on any legal, administrative and/or other measures, possibly including sub-regional level, put in place to comply with Resolution No. 8 (2012)]

- 2.3 Management measures put in place for adopted Emerald sites:

[Please report on measures put in place to comply with Resolution No. 8 (2012), paragraph 2, with special reference to paragraphs 2.1, 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4)]

2.4 Monitoring of the species conservation status:

(Please report on measures put in place to comply with Resolution No. 8 (2012), paragraph 3, with special reference to paragraphs 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3. Report to be made per species groups, i.e. amphibians, birds, fishes, mammals, plants and reptiles)

2.5 Monitoring of the habitats conservation status:

[Please report on measures put in place to comply with Resolution No. 8 (2012), paragraph 3, with special reference to paragraphs 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3. Report to be made per main level 1 habitat group (A: Marine habitats, B: Coastal habitats, C: Inland surface waters, D: Mires, bogs and fens, E: Grasslands and lands dominated by forbs, mosses or lichens, F: Heathland, scrub and tundra, G: Woodland, forest and other wooded land, H: Inland un-vegetated or sparsely vegetated habitats and X: Habitat complexes]

3. Other measures

3.1 Funding

(Please provide any relevant information on how the funding the implementation of measures reported on above was ensured)

3.2 Involvement of local authorities, local and national NGO's, land owners, etc.

(Please provide any relevant information on how local authorities, NGOs and other stakeholders have been involved in the process)

3.3 Awareness-raising activities on the Emerald Network

(Please provide any relevant information on awareness-raising activities implemented on the Emerald Network in your country, at national, regional and local levels)