

## **ECRAN Nature Working Group**

### **Activity 2.7.1**

**INVITATION to the  
1<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the working group Nature  
Podgorica, December 10, 2013**

#### **Background**

In general, the purpose of annual meetings is bringing together relevant representatives of the beneficiary countries to exchange information on progress made with implementation of the work plan. However, as the project is at its very beginning, this 1<sup>st</sup> annual meeting will serve a special purpose – in addition to bringing together all national coordinators and the project management, the main objectives of this meeting will be discussion on and adoption of the work plan for 2014, discussion on the choice of pilot sites for activity 2.7.2, agreement on criteria for selection of the pilot site for the activity 2.7.4, and the first discussion on the approach to Activity 2.7.5. Deliberations on the regional awareness raising programme under the activity 2.7.3 are also expected in terms of finding out the most wanted focus of particular regional seminars and to agree on the subject of the first of them.

#### **Objectives of the meeting:**

Wider Objective: to adopt work plan for 2014 with a wider prospect for the subsequent years.

Specific Objectives:

- To agree the working manner within the group Nature
- To open discussion on the way of selection of most appropriate participants to particular events
- To discuss the draft selection criteria for the selection of pilot site for activity 2.7.4 (Participatory Management Plans)
- To open discussion on the approach to activity 2.7.5 (Establishment of Regional Network of NPAs)
- To discuss and agree on the approach to activity 2.7.2 (Appropriate Assessments)
- To discuss particular events of activity 2.7.3 and narrower focus of particular seminars (Design and delivery of Regional Awareness Raising Programme and narrower focus of particular seminars )
- To adopt the work plan for 2014

#### **Expected Results of the meeting**

The expected results are going through and concluding on all the points listed above.



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## Draft Agenda Outline and List of Confirmed Participants

<b>Topic: 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the working group Nature</b> <b>Chair: Petr Roth</b> <b>Co-Chair: Mihail Dimovski</b> <b>Venue: Hotel Ziya, Beogradska 10, Podgorica, Montenegro</b>				
Start	Finish	Topic	Speaker	Output/Note
08:30	09:00	Registration and welcome coffee		
9:00	9:20	Address by EC Address by the representative of the Republic of Montenegro Address by ECRAN Introduction to the meeting and agenda	Ms. Madalina Ivanica, EC DG Environment Ms. TBC, Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism Ms. Ruza Radovic, ECRAN Project Director Mr. Mihail Dimovski, Project Team Leader Mr. Petr Roth, senior short-term expert, head of the Nature working group	TBD TBD Introduction to the Annual Meeting, objectives and expected results Adoption of the Agenda
9:20	9:40	Summary of activities delivered and results achieved under RENA Nature Working Group	Ms. Ruza Radovic, ECRAN Project Director, or Mr. Mihail Dimovski, Project Team Leader	Lessons learned from RENA Brief recap on the activities based on which the work plan for ECRAN Nature Working Group has been developed
9:40	9:50	Introduction to the activities expected	Mr. Petr Roth	Presentation of the planned Nature WG activities



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		within the ECRAN project under the Nature working group		Method : PPP Materials provided : Document on planned activities and expected outputs to be achieved
9:50	10:10	Discussion and agreement on the working manner within the Nature working group	Mr. Petr Roth, all participants	Presentation of the approach and methodology to be applied for implementation of the activities under ECRAN Nature WG  Discussion on the way of selection of most appropriate participants to particular events  Method : PPP and Q&A  Materials provided: Draft criteria for selection of participants
10:10	10:30	Discussion on the selection criteria for the pilot site for the Task 2.7.4 Participatory Management Plans and first round of proposals for the proper pilot site	Mr. Petr Roth, all participants	Presentation of criteria for selection of pilot sites for development of participatory management plan.  Method : PPP and Q&A  Materials provided: Document with criteria for selection of a pilot site for development of participatory management plan
10:30	11:00	Discussion and agreement on the basic approach to the Task 2.7.2 Appropriate Assessments (1 <sup>st</sup> part)	Mr. Petr Roth, all participants	Presentation of and discussion on overall task approach and implementation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Selection criteria of 3 pilot cases agreed and call for case proposals launched</li><li>- Approach to pilot Appropriate Assessments</li><li>- Scope and venue of the study visit</li></ul> Method : PPP and Q&A Materials provided: Document with draft site selection



				criteria and proposed working manner within the group
<b>11:00</b>	<b>11:20</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>		
11:20	11:50	Introductory discussion on the approach to the regional training on the process of identification of potential Natura 2000 sites and on the assessment of readiness to identify Natura 2000 sites among particular countries (Task 2.7.2., 2 <sup>nd</sup> part)	Mr. Petr Roth, all participants	<p>A succinct presentation on the Natura 2000 identification and selection process to show what the scope of the envisaged regional training should be. Two options of meeting the objectives of the assessment of the readiness for designation will be presented, too.</p> <p>Method : PPP and Q&amp;A</p> <p>Outcome: agreement on the scope of the training and choice of approach to the assessment of readiness for designation</p>
11:50	12:25	Presentation and discussion on the approach to the Task 2.7.5 Establishment of Regional Network of NPAs	Mr. Petr Roth, all participants	<p>Discussion on the establishment of a regional cooperation network among Nature Protected Areas</p> <p>Method : PPP and Q&amp;A</p> <p>Materials provided: Document on draft ToR for the NPA Network/Cooperation platform, draft work plan of activities and list of similar networks.</p>
12:30	13:00	Opening of the discussion on particular events of the Task 2.7.3 Design and delivery of Regional Awareness Raising Programme and narrower focus of particular seminars	Mr. Petr Roth, all participants	Even though definitive outcomes are not needed for the entire task, theme, timing and location of the first seminar is expected to be agreed by the participants.
13:00	13:15	Opening of the discussion on the draft work plan for 2014	Mr. Petr Roth	Draft work plan for 2014 will be provided in advance.



13:15	14:00	Discussion on and adoption of the work plan for 2014	Mr. Petr Roth, all participants	Work plan for 2014 adopted.
<b>14:00</b>	<b>15:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>		
15:00	15:30	Practical arrangements/cooperation with TAIEX  Summary conclusions and closure of the meeting	Ms. Ruza Radovic, ECRAN Project Director  Ms. Madalina Ivanica, EC DG ENV  Mr. Petr Roth	



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