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<p>CGBN</p> <p>Co-ordination Group for Biodiversity and Nature</p> <p>18th meeting – 12-13 March 2015</p>		
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18TH MEETING OF THE CO-ORDINATION GROUP FOR BIODIVERSITY AND NATURE (CGBN)

Thursday 12th (all day) and Friday 13th March 2015 (morning)

Place: European Commission's Conference Centre "Albert Borschette" - Room 1B –
36, rue Froissart - B-1040 Brussels (Schuman metro station)

Chair: François Wakenhut, Head of Unit ENV.B.2 Biodiversity and Stefan Leiner, Head of
Unit ENV.B.3 Nature

Documents: See CIRCABC internet site:

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/0f2f0fdb-be41-4f65-9ea3-3d171b135c22>

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AGENDA

***THURSDAY 12 March 2015, (all day, starting with a closed session)
Borschette, Room 1B***

09.30 until 11.00: Closed meeting for Member States and EEA only

The open part of the meeting, in which other stakeholders will participate, will start at 11:00

Coffee Break: 11.00

OPEN MEETING

1. Record of Previous Meetings

1.1. **Approval of the summary record of the previous CGBN meeting. (26th and 27th September 2014) (Doc 1.1)**

The draft summary record was sent to CGBN members on 24th of October 2014. Suggested amendments should be signalled in advance of the meeting.

1.2. **Nature Directors meeting (Doc 1.2)**

Outcome of the latest meeting under the Italian Presidency (25th and 26th of November 2014 including the conference held on 24th November, the agreement on the “Carta di Roma” and the follow-up to the “Carta di Roma”).

Information on the next meeting to be held on 28th and 29th May 2015 under the Latvian Presidency. A Nature Conference will be held at the same occasion on 26th and 27th of May.

2. Implementation of target 1 of the EU Biodiversity Strategy

2.1 **Overall progress on actions under target 1 (Information Point) (Doc 2.1)**

Presentation by the Commission on recent developments.

2.2 **The State of Nature Report (Discussion point with draft ND conclusions) (Doc 2.2)**

Presentation by the EEA of the technical report on the state of nature.

2.3 **Update on the Nature Fitness Check (Information Point) (Doc 2.3)**

Presentation by the Commission on state of play, next steps etc.

Lunch break at 13.00 until 14.30

Coffee Break: 15.30

2.4 **Natura 2000 and Hydropower (Information Point) (Doc 2.4)**

Presentation by the European Commission Contractor N2K Group of the draft guidance document on Hydropower Development and Natura 2000.

2.5 **The wildlife Estates Label (Information Point)**

Presentation by ELO.

3. The year of Natural Capital (Discussion point with draft ND conclusions on objectives, planning, outputs and events) (Doc 3.0)

2015 will be a particularly active one with regard to biodiversity and natural capital. To ensure maximum impact it will be important to co-ordinate activities at EU and national level.

4. Implementation of Target 2 of the EU Biodiversity Strategy

4.1. MAES, Restoration, Green Infrastructure, Biodiversity proofing and No Net Loss (Information Point) (Doc 4.1)

Presentation by the Commission on recent developments.

4.2. Future work on Green Infrastructure including the role of the GI working group. Discussion point with draft ND conclusions (Doc 4.2)

5. Implementation of Target 3 and 4 of the EU Biodiversity Strategy

5.1. Update on progress in relation to RDPs and Ops (Information Point) (Doc 5.1)

Presentation by the Commission on recent developments.

5.2. The joint workshop on WFD, MSFD, Nature and Biodiversity (Information Point) (Doc 5.2)

Presentation by the Commission on recent developments

6. Targets 5 of the EU biodiversity strategy to 2020

6.1. Recent developments in relation to the implementation of the IAS Regulation (Information Point)

Presentation by the Commission on recent developments.

6.2. International activities linked to IAS-CBD, IPBES etc. (Information Point see background documents) Presentation by the Commission on recent developments.

FRIDAY 13 MARCH 2015(morning) –Borschette, Room 1B

Coffee Break: 09.00

09.30 until 13.00

7. Targets 6 of the EU biodiversity strategy to 2020 (Information Point)

Presentation by the Commission on recent developments.

- BEST reparatory actions, the Message from Guadeloupe (DEVCO/ENV)

8. Preparation for EU 2020 Biodiversity Strategy mid-term review (Discussion point with draft ND conclusions) (Doc 8.0)

Presentation by the Commission on recent developments.

9. Financing the delivery of the EU Biodiversity Strategy (Information Point) (Doc 9.0)

Presentation by the Commission on recent developments.

Will include progress on integration of nature/biodiversity into OPs and RDPs, an update on the Natural Capital Financing Facility and the challenge of tracking biodiversity related expenditure.

10. Business and Biodiversity (Information point) (Doc 10.0)

Presentation by the Commission on the activities under the Business and Biodiversity Platform.

11. Recent and Upcoming Meetings

The planning document is kept regularly up to date on circabc. Participants will be invited to take note of future events and to suggest amendments (preferably in writing before the meeting)

12. Any Other Business

Tentatively planned dates for the next CGBN meeting: on 24th and 25th of September 2015.

Foreseen end of the meeting 13.00

N.B. Information points

The activities under information points will not be discussed in-depth in the present CGBN meeting. However, for other points there are draft ND conclusions and those will be discussed. The Commission will prepare the written contributions and the draft conclusions before the meeting.