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OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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Strategic matters

Animals Committee strategic planning for 2017-2019 (CoP17-CoP18)

ANIMALS COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

1. This document has been prepared by the Chair of the Animals Committee.\*
2. The Annex to this document contains the list of instructions directed to the Animals Committee, or that may require that it be consulted or informed, that can be found in the currently valid Resolutions and Decisions of the Conference of the Parties. For ease of reference, and similar to meeting agendas of the Animals Committee, they are grouped under: Administrative and financial matters; Strategic matters; Interpretation and implementation matters; Species specific matters; Amendment and maintenance of the Appendices and Regional matters. The full text of these instructions is presented in document AC29 Doc. 5.1.
3. The Chair of the Animals Committee asked all members and alternate members of the Committee to review the above-mentioned instructions and consider how they each could contribute to achieving their effective implementation. The Animals Committee then identified a lead for each of the instructions as part of its workplan for 2017-2019, as shown in the Annex to this document.

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ANIMALS COMMITTEE PLANNING 2017-2019

RESOLUTIONS WITH INSTRUCTIONS DIRECTED OR RELEVANT TO THE ANIMALS COMMITTEE

<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>AC lead</b>
<b>Administrative and financial matters</b>		
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP17) [Para 5, c]]	Establishment of Committees	All
Conf. 17.2	Financing and the costed programme of work for the Secretariat for the triennium 2017-2019	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
<b>Strategic matters</b>		
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP17) [Annex 2, Para 1, c]]	Establishment of Committees	H. Robertson, Oceania P. Ouboter, Central and South America and the Caribbean
Conf. 16.3 (Rev. CoP17)	CITES Strategic Vision: 2008-2020	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17)	Non-detriment findings	V. Fleming, Europe All
<b>Interpretation and implementation matters / Compliance and enforcement</b>		
Conf. 11.21 (Rev. CoP17)	Use of annotations in Appendices I and II	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 12.8 (Rev. CoP17)	Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species	V. Fleming, Europe R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair
Conf. 14.3	CITES compliance procedures	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 17.7	Review of trade in animal specimens reported as produced in captivity	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair G. Mensah, Africa M. Calvar, Central and South America and the Caribbean
<b>Interpretation and implementation matters / Trade control and traceability</b>		
Conf. 8.13 (Rev. CoP17)	Use of coded-microchip implants for marking live animals in trade	M. Calvar, J. Lemus, Central and South America and the Caribbean
Conf. 10.21 (Rev. CoP16)	Transport of live specimens	T. Makan, Oceania
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP17) [Annex 2, Para 1, c]]	Establishment of Committees	H. Robertson, Oceania P. Kasoma, Africa P. Ouboter, Central and South America and the Caribbean
Conf. 11.12 (Rev. CoP15)	Universal tagging system for the identification of crocodilian skins	A. Mobaraki, Asia

<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>AC lead</b>
Conf. 11.19 (Rev. CoP16)	Identification Manual	H. Robertson, Oceania P. Kasoma, Africa P. Ouboter, Central and South America and the Caribbean
Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP17)	Permits and certificates	
Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP15)	Registration of operations that breed Appendix-I animal species in captivity for commercial purposes	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
<b>Species specific matters</b>		
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP17) [Annex 2, Para 1, a), i), j), k) and l)]	Establishment of Committees	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 12.6 (Rev. CoP17)	Conservation and management of sharks	H. Robertson, Oceania G. Giyanto, Asia N. Ishii, Asia M. Calvar, Central and South America and the Caribbean
Conf. 12.7 (Rev.CoP17)	Conservation of and trade in sturgeons and paddlefish	C. Caceres, North America
Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP17)	Standard nomenclature	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
Conf. 13.2 (Rev. CoP14)	Sustainable use of biodiversity: Addis Ababa Principles and Guidelines	R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair V. Fleming, Europe
Conf. 13.4 (Rev. CoP16)	Conservation of and trade in great apes	G. Mensah, Africa P. Kasoma, Africa
Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17)	Non-detriment findings	R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair V. Fleming, Europe
Conf. 17.12	Conservation, sustainable use of and trade in snakes	A. Mobaraki, Asia
<b>Amendment and maintenance of the Appendices</b>		
Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP17)	Criteria for amendment of Appendices I and II	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 9.25 (Rev. CoP17)	Inclusion of species in Appendix III	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP17) [Annex 2, Para 1, b) and Para 5]	Establishment of Committees	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
Conf. 11.16 (Rev. CoP15)	Ranching and trade in ranched specimens of species transferred from Appendix I to Appendix II	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 11.21 (Rev. CoP17)	Use of annotations in Appendices I and II	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair S. Nemtsov, Europe
Conf. 14.8 (Rev. CoP17)	Periodic Review of the Appendices	R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair

<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>AC lead</b>
<b>Regional matters</b>		
Conf.11.1 (Rev. CoP17) [Annex 2, Para 1, e) and Para 4]	Establishment of Committees	All AC regional representatives

DECISIONS DIRECTED TO THE ANIMALS COMMITTEE OR THAT MAY REQUIRE ITS INPUTS OR ASSISTANCE

<b>Main Decisions</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>AC Lead</b>
<b>Administrative and financial matters</b>		
17.4	Rules of Procedure	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
17.5	Rules of Procedure	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
17.9, 17.3	Rules of Procedure	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair
<b>Strategic matters</b>		
17.18	CITES Strategic Vision	R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
17.22, 17.24	Appendix-I listed species	R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair
16.9 (Rev. CoP17), 16.10 (Rev. CoP17)	Potential conflicts of interest in the Animals and Plants Committees	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
17.32, 17.33, 17.34, 17.35	Capacity building	H. Robertson, Oceania P. Kasoma, Africa P. Ouboter, Central and South America and the Caribbean
<b>Strategic matters / Cooperation with organizations and MEAs</b>		
16.14 (Rev. CoP17), 16.15 (Rev. CoP17)	Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
<b>Interpretation and implementation matters / Compliance and enforcement</b>		
17.90	Specimens produced from synthetic or cultured DNA	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair P. Kasoma, Africa
17.104	Captive-bred and ranched specimens	S. Nemtzov, Europe G. Mensah, Africa
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17.111	Review of Significant Trade	V. Fleming, Europe R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair
17.114, 17.115	Quotas for leopard hunting trophies	G. Mensah, Africa P. Kasoma, Africa
<b>Interpretation and implementation matters / Trade control and traceability</b>		
17.179	Definition of the term 'appropriate and acceptable destinations'	R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair N. Ishii, Asia G. Mensah, Africa
<b>Species specific matters</b>		
16.136 (Rev. CoP17), 16.137 (Rev. CoP17)	Sturgeons and paddlefish ( <i>Acipenseriformes</i> spp.)	C. Caceres, North America
17.183	Sturgeons and paddlefish ( <i>Acipenseriformes</i> spp.)	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair C. Caceres, North America
17.185	Sturgeons and paddlefish ( <i>Acipenseriformes</i> spp.)	C. Caceres, North America
17.188	Eels ( <i>Anguilla</i> spp.)	V. Fleming, Europe T. Makan, Oceania N. Ishii, Asia R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair
17.192	Precious corals (Order Antipatharia and family Coralliidae)	G. Giyanto, Asia S. Nemptzov, Europe
17.211, 17.216	Sharks and rays ( <i>Elasmobranchii</i> spp.)	H. Robertson, Oceania G. Giyanto, Asia N. Ishii, Asia M. Calvar, Central and South America and the Caribbean
17.238	African wild dog ( <i>Lycaon pictus</i> )	G. Mensah, Africa
17.242	African lion ( <i>Panthera leo</i> )	P. Kasoma, Africa
17.249	Freshwater stingrays ( <i>Potamotrygonidae</i> spp.)	M. Calvar, Central and South America and the Caribbean
17.262	Banggai cardinalfish ( <i>Pterapogon kauderni</i> )	N. Ishii, Asia C. Caceres, North America
17.279, 17.280, 17.282	Snakes ( <i>Serpentes</i> spp.)	A. Mobaraki, Asia M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
17.287	Queen conch ( <i>Strombus gigas</i> )	J. Lemus, Central and South America and the Caribbean

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17.288	Queen conch ( <i>Strombus gigas</i> )	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
17.293	Tortoises and freshwater turtles (Testudines spp.)	S. Nemtzov, Europe
17.299, 17.300	Black Sea bottlenose dolphin ( <i>Tursiops truncatus ponticus</i> )	S. Nemtzov, Europe
<b>Amendment and maintenance of the Appendices</b>		
14.81	Great whales	R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair
17.303, 17.305	Appendix-III listings	R. Gnam, North America, AC Vice-Chair T. Makan, Oceania
17.308	Nomenclature: Identification of CITES-listed corals in trade	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
17.310	Nomenclature: Use of time-specific versions of online databases as standard nomenclature references	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
17.311, 17.312	Nomenclature: Bird family and order names	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
17.313	Nomenclature: African lion ( <i>Panthera leo</i> )	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
16.162 (Rev. CoP17)	Annotations	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair S. Nemtzov, Europe