

CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES  
OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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Strategic matters

Animals Committee strategic planning for 2019-2022 (CoP18-CoP19)

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, the Decisions are grouped under: Strategic matters; Interpretation and implementation matters; Species specific matters; and Regional matters. The full text of these instructions is presented in document AC31 Doc. 7.1.
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 or co-leads for each of the instructions as part of its workplan for 2019-2022, as shown in the Annex to this document.

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Animals Committee planning 2019-2022RESOLUTIONS WITH INSTRUCTIONS DIRECTED TO THE ANIMALS COMMITTEE  
OR THAT MAY REQUIRE ITS INPUTS OR ASSISTANCE

<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>AC lead</b>
Conf. 8.13 (Rev. CoP17)	<i>Use of coded-microchip implants for marking live animals in trade</i>	S. Terada, Asia
Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Interpretation and application of quotas for species included in Appendix I</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 9.24 Rev. CoP17)	<i>Criteria for amendment of Appendices I and II</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 9.25 Rev. CoP18)	<i>Implementation of the Convention for species in Appendix III</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 10.21 Rev. CoP16)	<i>Transport of live specimens</i>	C. Lougheed, North America
Conf. 11.12 Rev. CoP15)	<i>Universal tagging system for the identification of crocodilian skins</i>	G. Benyr, Europe
Conf. 11.16 Rev. CoP15)	<i>Ranching and trade in ranched specimens of species transferred from Appendix I to Appendix II</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 11.19 Rev. CoP16)	<i>Identification Manual</i>	S. Terada, Asia
Conf. 11.20 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Definition of the term 'appropriate and acceptable destinations'</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair; D. Sikova, Europe
Conf. 11.21 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Use of annotations in Appendices I and II</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Permits and certificates</i>	C. Lougheed, North America
Conf. 12.6 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Conservation and management of sharks</i>	H. Robertson, Oceania
Conf. 12.7 (Rev.CoP17)	<i>Conservation of and trade in sturgeons and paddlefish</i>	R. Novitzky, Europe; A. Mobaraki, Asia
Conf. 12.8 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species</i>	D. Sikova, Europe; H. Benitez, North America
Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP15)	<i>Registration of operations that breed Appendix-I animal species in captivity for commercial purposes</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Standard nomenclature</i>	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
Conf. 13.2 (Rev. CoP14)	<i>Sustainable use of biodiversity: Addis Ababa Principles and Guidelines</i>	H. Benitez, North America
Conf. 13.4 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Conservation of and trade in great apes</i>	P. Kasoma, Africa
Conf. 13.11 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Wild meat</i>	P. Kasoma, Africa
Conf. 14.3 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>CITES compliance procedures</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 14.8 (Rev. CoP17)	<i>Periodic Review of species included in Appendices I and II</i>	S. MacIntyre, Oceania

<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>AC lead</b>
Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17)	<i>Non-detriment findings</i>	H. Benitez, North America; All
Conf. 17.7 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Review of trade in animal specimens reported as produced in captivity</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 17.12	<i>Conservation, sustainable use of and trade in snakes</i>	A. Mobaraki, Asia
Conf. 18.1	<i>Financing and the costed programme of work for the Secretariat for the triennium 2020-2022</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 18.2	<i>Establishment of committees</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair; All regional members
Conf. 18.3	<i>CITES Strategic Vision: 2021-2030</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 18.4	<i>Cooperation with the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
Conf. 18.6	<i>Designation and role of Management Authorities</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair

DECISIONS DIRECTED TO THE ANIMALS COMMITTEE  
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Decisions	Title	AC Lead
<b>Strategic matters</b>		
18.25	<i>CITES Strategic vision</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
18.29	<i>Appendix-I listed species</i>	D. Ziková, Europe; S. Terada, Asia
18.40	<i>Capacity-building</i>	C. Lougheed, North America
18.58	<i>Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative</i>	P. Kasoma, Africa; N. Maha, Africa; S. Ramirez, Central and South America and the Caribbean
<b>Interpretation and implementation matters</b>		
18.72	<i>Country-wide Significant Trade Reviews</i>	D. Sikova, Europe; H. Benitez, North America
18.90	<i>Wildlife crime enforcement support in West and Central Africa</i>	G. Mensah, Africa
18.133	<i>Non-detriment findings</i>	M. Gongora, Central and South America and the Caribbean; H. Benitez and C. Lougheed, North America
18.137	<i>Identification materials</i>	H. Robertson, Oceania
16.137 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Identification and traceability of sturgeons and paddlefish (Acipenseriformes spp.)</i>	A. Mobaraki, Asia; R. Novitsky, Europe
18.148	<i>Specimens produced through biotechnology</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair; P. Kasoma, Africa
18.155	<i>Definition of the term 'appropriate and acceptable destinations'</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair; D. Sikova, Europe
18.167 & 18.168	<i>Quotas for leopard hunting trophies</i>	G. Mensah, Africa; P. Kasoma, Africa
18.172	<i>Review of CITES provisions related to trade in specimens of animals and plants not of wild source</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair; G. Mensah, Africa
18.175	<i>Captive-breeding of spiny tailed lizards</i>	A. Diesmos, Asia
18.176	<i>Review of the provisions of Resolution Conf. 17.7 (Rev. CoP18)</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair; G. Mensah, Africa

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<b>Species specific matters</b>		
18.190	<i>West African vultures (Accipitridae spp.)</i>	G. Appolinaire, Africa
18.195	<i>Conservation of amphibians (Amphibia spp.)</i>	G. Benyr, Europe; G. Suazo Diaz, Central and South America and the Caribbean
18.200	<i>Eels (Anguilla spp.)</i>	D. Ziková, Europe; M. Gongora, Central and South America and the Caribbean; R. Novitsky, Europe
17.192 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Precious corals (Order Antipatharia and family Coralliidae)</i>	R. Novitsky, Europe
18.216	<i>Marine turtles (Cheloniidae and Demochelyidae)</i>	A. Diesmos, Asia; H. Robertson, Oceania
18.223	<i>Sharks and rays (Elasmobranchii spp.)</i>	H. Robertson, Oceania
18.232	<i>Seahorses (Hippocampus spp.)</i>	D. Ramadori, Central and South America and the Caribbean
18.243	<i>Pangolins (Manis spp.)</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
18.247	<i>African lions (Panthera leo) and the CITES Big Cats Task Force</i>	G. Mensah, Africa; P. Kasoma, Africa; S. Ramirez, Central and South America and the Caribbean
18.255	<i>Leopards (Panthera pardus) in Africa</i>	P. Kasoma, Africa; S. Ramirez, Central and South America and the Caribbean
18.257	<i>Songbird trade and conservation management (Passeriformes)</i>	Giyanto, Asia; H. Robertson, Oceania; C. Loughheed, North America
18.265	<i>Banggai cardinalfish (Pterapogon kauderni)</i>	A. Diesmos, Asia
18.272	<i>Saiga antelope (Saiga spp.)</i>	R. Novitsky, Europe
18.276	<i>Queen conch (Strombus gigas)</i>	M. Gongora, Central and South America and the Caribbean
18.284	<i>Titicaca Water Frog (Telmatobius culeus)</i>	D. Ramadori, Central and South America and the Caribbean
18.291	<i>Tortoises and freshwater turtles (Testudines spp.)</i>	G. Benyr, Europe; P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
14.81	<i>Great whales</i>	M. Gongora, Central and South America and the Caribbean
18.297	<i>Marine ornamental fishes</i>	Giyanto, Asia; M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair

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18.310	<i>Use of time-specific versions of online databases as standard nomenclature references</i>	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
18.312	<i>Nomenclature and identification of corals</i>	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
18.313	<i>Nomenclature of Appendix-III listings</i>	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
18.315	<i>Nomenclature of Manidae spp.</i>	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
17.312 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Nomenclature (Bird family and order names)</i>	P. Van Dijk, Nomenclature Specialist
16.162 (Rev. CoP18)	<i>Annotations</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair
18.331	<i>Guidance for the publication of the Appendices</i>	M. Lörtscher, Europe, AC Chair