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CONCERTED ACTION FOR THE ASIAN POPULATION OF THE GREAT BUSTARD (Otis tarda)*

Proposed Activities for 2020-2023

Updating <u>UNEP/CMS/Concerted Action 12.8</u>

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Timeframe

Concerted action should commence immediately with cooperation among CMS Parties and non-Party Range States. Main dates are:

May 2017. Conference in Ulaanbaatar

July 2017. Discussion of Concerted Action at Sessional Committee of Scientific Council in Bonn

October 2017. Approval of Concerted Action at COP12 in Manila

2018. New conference to review progress, hosted by China (pending, still to be implemented)

2019. Update on progress discussed at Sessional Committee of Scientific Council

Late 2019: Completion of first draft of revised Action Plan for Great Bustards in Asia

2020: Invite Democratic People's Republic of Korea to join on Great Bustard conservation activities because there is a lack of knowledge about wintering status of the species in this country. Great Bustards used to commonly winter there

2020: Begin consultation process on Action Plan and development of final draft

February 2020. Review and extension of Concerted Action on the Great Bustard in Asia at CMS COP13

Mid-2020: Finalize revised Action Plan and begin implementation.

2021: Conference to review progress on implementation of Concerted Action and Action Plan.

2023: Submission of Action Plan for adoption at CMS COP14.