



2017 - NATIONAL REPORT OF PARTIES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF MIGRATORY SPECIES OF WILD ANIMALS

The deadline for submission of the reports is 24 April 2017. The reporting period is from May 2014 to April 2017.

Parties are encouraged to respond to all questions. Parties are also requested to provide comprehensive answers, including, where appropriate, a summary of activities, information on factors limiting action and details of any assistance required.

The reporting format was agreed by the Standing Committee at its 40th Meeting (Bonn, November 2012) for mandatory use by Parties, for reports submitted to the Eleventh Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP11). The 45th meeting of the Standing Committee recommended the use of the same format for reports submitted to COP12, with necessary adjustments to take into account relevant COP11 decisions, in particular amendments to the Appendices and resolutions.

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> Montenegro

Which agency has been primarily responsible for the preparation of this report?

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I(a). General Information

Please enter the required information in the table below:

Party

Date of entry into force of the Convention in your country
> 01 March 2009 (Official Gazette of Montenegro no. 006/08-147)

Period covered
> 2014-2017

Territories to which the Convention applies
> Montenegro

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Relevant implemented legislation:

> Law on ratification of the Bonn Convention (Official Gazette of Montenegro – international agreements 06/08-147); Law on Nature Protection (Off. Gazzete no 51/08); Rulebook on the protective measures and how to maintain crossings for wild animals ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", 80/10 of 31 December 2010);

Other relevant Conventions/ Agreements (apart from CMS) to which your country is a Party:

> Convention on Biological Diversity; Cartagena Protocol on Convention on Biological Diversity; Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats (Bern Convention); Ramsar Convention on Wetlands; Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural Heritage; European Landscape Convention; Convention of International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES Convention); Convention for the Protection Of The Mediterranean Sea Against Pollution(Barcelona Convention; ; Protocol concerning Cooperation in Preventing Pollution from Ships and, in Cases of Emergency, combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea (Prevention and Emergency Protocol); Protocol for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution from Land-Based Sources and Activities (LBS Protocol); The Protocol concerning Specially Protected Areas and Biological Diversity in the Mediterranean; EUROBATS Agreement; AEWA Agreement.

National policy instruments (e.g. national biodiversity conservation strategy, etc.):

> National Strategy of Biodiversity with Action Plan for period 2010-2015. year (NBSAP)

CMS Agreements/MoU

Please indicate whether your country is part of the following Agreements/MoU. If so, please indicate the competent national institution

Wadden Sea Seals (1991)

Wadden Sea Seals (1991)

Non Range State

EUROBATS (1994)

EUROBATS (1994)

Party

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ASCOBANS (1994)

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Non Range State

AEWA (1999)

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ACAP (2001)

ACAP (2001)

Non Range State

Gorilla Agreement (2008)

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Non Range State

ACCOBAMS (2001)

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Siberian Crane MoU (1993/1999)

Siberian Crane MoU (1993/1999)

Non Range State

Slender-billed Curlew MoU (1994)

Slender-billed Curlew MoU (1994)

Non Range State

Atlantic Turtles MoU (1999)

Atlantic Turtles MoU (1999)

Non Range State

Middle-European Great Bustard MoU (2001)

Middle-European Great Bustard MoU (2001)

Non Range State

IOSEA Marine Turtles MoU (2001)

IOSEA Marine Turtles MoU (2001)

Non Range State

Bukhara Deer MoU (2002)

Bukhara Deer MoU (2002)

Non Range State

Aquatic Warbler MoU (2003)

Aquatic Warbler MoU (2003)

Non Range State

West African Elephants MoU (2005)

West African Elephants MoU (2005)

Non Range State

Pacific Islands Cetaceans MoU (2006)

Pacific Islands Cetaceans MoU (2006)

Non Range State

Dugong MoU (2007)

Dugong MoU (2007)

Non Range State

Western African Aquatic Mammals MoU (2008)

Western African Aquatic Mammals MoU (2008)

Non Range State

Birds of Prey (Raptors) MoU (2008)

Birds of Prey (Raptors) MoU (2008)

Non Range State

High Andean Flamingos MoU (2008)

High Andean Flamingos MoU (2008)

Non Range State

Sharks MoU (2010)

Sharks MoU (2010)

Non-signatory Range State

Involvement of other government departments/NGOs/private sector

1. Which other government departments are involved in activities/initiatives for the conservation of migratory species in your country? (Please list.)

> Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Ministry of Sustainable Development and tourism

2. If more than one government department is involved, describe the interaction/relationship between these government departments:

> Environmental Protection Agency is an institution centrally responsible for specialized nature protection activities in Montenegro. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was established on November 12, 2008. Government of Montenegro has adopted the Rulebook on internal organization and systematization of the Environmental Protection Agency, whereby it began operation formally and legally on March 1, 2009. By adoption of The Decree on the organization and operation of Public Administration ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", no. 05/12) Institute for Nature Protection became a part of Environmental Protection Agency of Montenegro. In accordance with that, experts from Institute for Nature Protection are now part of Environmental Protection Agency. Internal organizational units of EPA are the following:

- Sector for nature protection, monitoring, analysis and reporting;
- Sector for the issue of permits;
- Sector for communication and information system management;
- Arhus center;
- Department of legal and financial affairs.

EPA is in charge of many issues regarding nature protection, such as: monitoring of the state of habitats and species, development of Nature Protection Studies in the process of establishment of protected areas, the preparation and realization of monitoring program, the preparation and maintenance of the database on the environment (including biodiversity); Strategic environmental impact assessment (SEA) and the EIA (the Environmental Impact Assessment); approvals for the collection, use, breeding, keeping and trafficking of wild animals species; approvals for the picking, collection, use, cultivation, keeping and movement of protected wild herbs and fungi; for scientific and educational researches on protected natural resources; approvals for cave activities, for defining measures of protection of strictly protected and protected species of plants, animals and fungi, and measures to protect their habitats, for conducting nature feasibility assessment procedures, assessment of imperative reasons of overriding public interest, compensatory measures, education activities and free access to the information regarding nature protection.

The most important activity is also monitoring of the status of species and habitats including migratory bird species.

3. Has a national liaison system or committee been established in your country?

Yes

> Yes

No

4. List the main non-governmental organizations actively involved in activities/initiatives for the conservation of migratory species in your country, and describe their involvement:

> NGO "Green Home", NGO Centre for protection and research of birds in Montenegro; NGO "Greens", etc.

5. Describe any involvement of the private sector in the conservation of migratory species in your country:
> Telenor Montenegro- sponsored the habitats restoration

6. Note any interactions between these sectors in the conservation of migratory species in your country:
> The private sector sometimes provides financial support for conservation projects of NGOs. The governmental sector implements relevant legislation, organizes conservation activities and provides technical and financial support for the project on state and NGOs level.

I(b). Information about involved Authorities

Identify the ministry, agency/department or organization that is responsible for leading actions relating to Appendix I species

1- Birds

> Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism,
Environmental Protection Agency,
Nature Historical Museum of Montenegro,
Public Enterprise for National Parks of Montenegro,

2- Aquatic Mammals

> Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism
Environmental Protection Agency

3- Reptiles

> Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism,
Environmental Protection Agency,
Nature Historical Museum of Montenegro

4- Terrestrial Mammals

> Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism,
Environmental Protection Agency,

5- Fish

> Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism,
Public Enterprise for National Parks of Montenegro

II. Appendix I species

1. BIRDS

1.1 General questions on Appendix I bird species

1. Is the taking of all Appendix I bird species prohibited by the national implementing legislation cited in Table I(a) (General Information)?

Yes

1a. If the taking of Appendix I bird species is prohibited by law, have any exceptions been granted to the prohibition?

No

2. Identify any obstacles to migration that exist in relation to Appendix I bird species:

By-catch

Habitat destruction

2a. What actions are being undertaken to overcome these obstacles?

> 1. Hunting prohibition according by new Law of National Parks (Official Gazette of MNE no. 28/14) and new Law on Wildlife and Hunting (Official Gazette of MNE no. 20/15)

2. Developing measures for protection habitats

3. Developing management plans for protected areas which include identified habitats.

4. Transpositions relevant EU directives into national legislation in the frame Montenegro accession to EU.

5. The strengthen administrative capacity on Administration for Inspection

2b. Please report on the progress / success of the actions taken.

> 1. Hunting prohibition for Appendix I bird species pursuant implementation of the Law of National Parks (Official Gazette of MNE no. 28/14) and the Law on Wildlife and Hunting (Official Gazette of MNE no. 20/15)

2. Implementation measures for protection habitats

3. Adopted management plans for protected areas which include identified habitats by Government of Montenegro and local parliaments.

4. Harmonization national legislation with EU legislation in the frame Montenegro accession to EU.

5. Increased control of hunting prohibition

2c. What assistance, if any, does your country require in order to overcome these obstacles?

> Technical and financial support for developing plans, measures for protected habitats, including future NATURA 2000;

Technical support for better implementation CMS convention;

Technical support for strenghtening the capacity in Inspectorate Administration;

Expert opinion, if we need;

etc.

3. What are the major pressures to Appendix I bird species (transcending mere obstacles to migration)?

Illegal trade

Poaching

3a. What actions have been taken to prevent, reduce or control factors that are endangering or are likely to further endanger bird species beyond actions to prevent disruption to migrating behaviour?

> Montenegro was adopted many number of laws, by-laws, strategies , etc. in the filed of biodiversity included bird and we need to make further efforts to implementation in national level.

3b. Please report on the progress / success of the actions taken.

> 1. Control of international trade in endangered species of wild fauna and flora through a permit from the Environmental Protection Agency according the Law of Nature Protection (Off. Gazette of MNE No. 54/16);

2. The pocedure were prescribed in the Rulebook on international trade in endangered species of wild fauna and flora (Off.Gazette of MNE No 14/15);

3. Government adopted National Strategy of Biodiversity 2016-2020;

4. Incrazed control on borders by Policy and Custom administration and also in protected areas by rangers (who working in Public Enterprise of National Parks and other relevant institutions) .

3c. Describe any factors that may limit action being taken in this regard:

> 1. Lack of capacity in administration for full implementation law and by-laws;

3d. What assistance, if any, does your country require to overcome these factors?

› Technical support for strengthening the capacity in relevant administrations;

Miscellaneous information or comments on Appendix I birds in general:

› As mentioned, in last period we adopted many laws, by-laws and strategies in filed on biodiversity. Also, we reorganized some institutions and streinghted capacity and we adopted Strategy for EU accesion from 2016 to 2020 which included all obligations regarding Habitat and Birds directives.

2. AQUATIC MAMMALS

2.1 General questions on Appendix I aquatic mammals

1. Is the taking of all Appendix I aquatic mammals species prohibited by the national implementing legislation cited in Table I(a) (General Information)?

Yes

1a. If the taking of Appendix I aquatic mammals species is prohibited by law, have any exceptions been granted to the prohibition?

No

2. Identify any obstacles to migration that exist in relation to Appendix I aquatic mammals:

By-catch

Other

› illegal fisheries

2a. What actions are being undertaken to overcome these obstacles?

› We have improved the inspection control on the coast, lakes and rivers regarding illegal fishing , but is not enough for improvement and full implementation our legislation.

Actually, we do not have a problems with national legislation, in previous period we transposed and harmonized many acts with EU legislation and other international obligations, but we do not have full implementation still

2b. Please report on the progress / success of the actions taken.

› An increased number of reports of Police Administration for illegal fishing.

3. What are the major pressures to Appendix I aquatic mammals species (transcending mere obstacles to migration)?

Other

› illegal fisheries

3a. What actions have been taken to prevent, reduce or control factors that are endangering or are likely to further endanger acuatic mammals species beyond actions to prevent disruption to migrating behaviour?

› We have improved the inspection control on the coast, lakes and rivers regarding illegal fishing , but is not enough for improvement and full implementation our legislation.

Actually, we do not have a problems with national legislation, in previous period we transposed and harmonized many acts with EU legislation and other international obligations, but we do not have full implementation still

2.2 Questions on specific Appendix I aquatic mammals

In the following section, using the table format below, please fill in each Appendix I aquatic mammals species for which your country is considered to be a Range State. Please complete each table as appropriate, providing information in summary form. Where appropriate, please cross-reference to information already provided in national reports that have been submitted under other conventions (e.g. Convention on Biological Diversity, Ramsar Convention, CITES). (Attach annexes as necessary.)

Species name: *Monachus monachus*

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

not known

4. If no activities have been carried out for this species in the reporting period, what has prevented such action being taken?

› We don t have this information in this moment.

3. REPTILES

3.1 General questions on Appendix I reptiles

1. Is the taking of all Appendix I reptiles species prohibited by the national implementing legislation cited in Table I(a) (General Information)?

Yes

1a. If the taking of Appendix I reptiles species is prohibited by law, have any exceptions been granted to the prohibition?

No

3. What are the major pressures to Appendix I reptiles species (transcending mere obstacles to migration)?

Predation of eggs

3.2 Questions on specific Appendix I reptiles

In the following section, using the table format below, please fill in each Appendix I reptiles species for which your country is considered to be a Range State. Please complete each table as appropriate, providing information in summary form. Where appropriate, please cross-reference to information already provided in national reports that have been submitted under other conventions (e.g. Convention on Biological Diversity, Ramsar Convention, CITES). (Attach annexes as necessary.)

Species name: *Caretta caretta*

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Identification and establishment of protected areas

> Study of protected of Ulcinj Salina

Monitoring

> Annuals programs for monitoring biodiversity of Montenegro implemented by Environmental Protection Agency

5. FISH

5.1 General questions on Appendix I fish species

1. Is the taking of all Appendix I fish species prohibited by the national legislation listed as being implementing legislation in Table I(a) (General Information)?

No

1a. If the taking of Appendix I fish species is prohibited by law, have any exceptions been granted to the prohibition?

No

2. Identify any obstacles to migration that exist in relation to Appendix I fish species:

Other

> illegal fishing

5.2 Questions on specific Appendix I fish species

In the following section, using the table format below, please fill in each Appendix I fish species, for which your country is considered to be a Range State. Please complete each table as appropriate, providing information in summary form. Where appropriate, please cross-reference to information already provided in national reports that have been submitted under other conventions (e.g. Convention on Biological Diversity, Ramsar Convention, CITES). (Attach annexes as necessary.)

Species name: *Carcharodon carcharias*

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

6. LISTING OF OTHER ENDANGERED MIGRATORY SPECIES IN APPENDIX I

1. Is your country a Range State for any other endangered migratory species currently listed in Appendix I?

(according to the latest IUCN red data list). N.B.: States in which a species occurs as a vagrant (i.e. not "on its normal migration route") should not be treated as Range States. Please refer to Article 1 of the Convention for clarification.

No

1a. Is your country taking any steps to propose listing any of these species?

No

III. Appendix II Species

1. INFORMATION ON APPENDIX II SPECIES

Information pertaining to the conservation of Appendix II species that are the object of CMS Agreements will have been provided in periodic Party reports to those instruments. It will suffice therefore to reference (below), and preferably append, a copy of the latest report that has been submitted to the Secretariat of each of the Agreement/MoUs to which your country is a Party.

Wadden Sea Seals (1991)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Siberian Crane MoU (1993/1999)

Date of last report

> Not applicable

EUROBATS (1994)

Date of last report:

> 2014

Period covered:

> 2012-214

ASCOBANS (1994)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Slender-billed Curlew MoU (1994)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Atlantic Turtles MoU (1999)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

AEWA (1999)

Date of last report:

> March 2015

Period covered

> from 2012

ACCOBAMS (2001)

Date of last report:

> 2016

Period covered:

> Triennium 2008-2009-2010 <http://www.accobams.org/reportonline/Index2.htm>

Middle-European Great Bustard MoU (2001)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

IOSEA Marine Turtles MoU (2001)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

ACAP (2001)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Bukhara Deer MoU (2002)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Aquatic Warbler MoU (2003)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

West African Elephants MoU (2005)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Pacific Islands Cetaceans MoU (2006)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Saiga Antelope MoU (2006)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Ruddy-headed Goose MoU (2006)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Monk Seal in the Atlantic MoU (2007)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Southern South American Grassland Birds MoU (2007)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Gorilla Agreement (2008)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Western African Aquatic Mammals MoU (2008)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Birds of Prey (Raptors) MoU (2008)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

High Andean Flamingos MoU (2008)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

Sharks MoU (2010)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

South Andean Huemul MoU (2010)

Date of last report:

> Not applicable

2. QUESTIONS ON CMS AGREEMENTS

Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Bird Species

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Bird Species ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Bird Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Bird Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Marine Mammal Species

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Marine Mammal Species ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Marine Mammal Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Marine Mammal Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Marine Turtle Species

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Marine Turtle Species ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Marine Turtle Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Marine Turtle Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Terrestrial Mammal (other than bats) Species

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Terrestrial Mammal (other than bats) Species ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS

Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Terrestrial Mammal (other than bats) Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Terrestrial Mammal (other than bats) Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Bat Species

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Bat Species ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Bat Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Bat Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Fish

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Fish ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Fish ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Fish, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

3. LISTING OF MIGRATORY SPECIES IN APPENDIX II

1. Is your country a Range State for any migratory species that has an unfavourable conservation status, but is not currently listed in Appendix II and could benefit from the conclusion of an Agreement for its conservation?

N.B.: States in which a species occurs as a vagrant (i.e. not "on its normal migration route") should not be treated as Range States. Please refer to Article 1 of the Convention for clarification.

No

1a. Is your country taking any steps to propose the listing of this/these species in Appendix II?

No

IV. National and Regional Priorities

1. What priority does your country assign to the conservation and, where applicable, sustainable use of migratory species in comparison to other biodiversity-related issues

Medium

2. Are migratory species and their habitats addressed by your country's national biodiversity strategy or action plan?

Yes

2.1. If Yes, please indicate and briefly describe the extent to which it addresses the following issues:

Conservation, sustainable use and/or restoration of migratory species

> Medium

Conservation, sustainable use and/or restoration of the habitats of migratory species, including protected areas

> high

Actions to prevent, reduce or control factors that are endangering or are likely to further endanger migratory species (e.g. alien invasive species or by-catch)

> medium

Minimizing or eliminating barriers or obstacles to migration

> medium

Research and monitoring of migratory species

> high

Transboundary co-operation

> high

3. Does the conservation of migratory species currently feature in any other national or regional policies/plans (apart from CMS Agreements)

Yes

3.1. If Yes, please provide details:

> - Law of Nature Protection (Off. Gazette of MNE 54/16);

- Law of Wildlife and Hunting (2015);

- Law of National parks (2014)

- National Strategy of Biodiversity with Action Plan 2016-2020;

- List of protected species (Off. Gazette no 76/06)

3a. Do these policies/plans cover the following areas?

Exploitation of natural resources (e.g. fisheries, hunting, etc.)

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> According the laws and sub-laws prescribed sustainable exploitation of natural resources including limited number or quantity and as well as permits for these activities from Environmental Protection Agency.

According the NBSAP prescribed few measures for sustainable exploitation of natural resources .

Economic development

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> The NBSAP prescribed that all activities related with economic development had be contain measures for protected species and habitats. Also we have SEA i EIA procedures for all projects, plans, any activities for development.

Land-use planning

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> Land-use planning low prescribed according the legislation and strategy which in charge spatial planning , agriculture and rural development . We needs additional efforts for improve this issues.

Pollution control

No

Designation and development of protected areas

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> According to the Law of Nature Protection (off. Gazette of MNE no 54/16) very detailed prescribed every step in designation and development of protected areas. The Law also includes the obligation of the Management Authority for developing Management Plans and Annual Work Plans. The Law on National Parks prescribes how the Public Enterprise manages five national parks in Montenegro, including financial resources.

Development of ecological networks

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> According to the articles of the Law of Nature Protection (off. Gazette of MNE no 54/16), ecological network areas shall be declared with the aim of protection and conservation of specific habitat types and species of interest to Montenegro and the European Union in accordance with this Law and ratified international treaties.

The ecological network area shall encompass also natural corridors used by specific wild species of animals.

The ecological network areas shall be the following:

- areas important for the conservation of bird habitats and bird species;
- areas important for the conservation of habitats and wild species of plants and animals.

The measures for protection regarding the conservation or regeneration of the state of the target habitats and target species of plants, birds and other animals shall be implemented in the ecological network areas, based on which these areas were declared as areas of ecological network.

Planning of power lines

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> According to the laws and as well as SEA and EIA procedures.

Planning of fences

No

Planning of dams

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> According to the relevant laws and as well as the SEA and EIA procedures.

Other

No

4. Results - please describe the positive outcomes of any actions taken

> Through our national legislation we have very precisely defined all steps in the above cases. We have always a multisectoral approach for this, and other stakeholders are responsible for many laws and strategies such as: Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Maritime, etc., etc.

Also, according to the laws public hearings are obligatory for all activities regarding biodiversity.

V. Protected Areas

1. Are migratory species taken into account in the selection, establishment and management of protected areas in your country?

Yes

If Yes, please provide details:

> According to both laws (Law on Nature Protection and Law of National parks) prescribed obligations of Management Authority for developing Management Plan. Also, the laws prescribed contents of MA :
The management plan shall consist of the following:

- 1) presentation of natural resources and users of protected area;
- 2) assessment of the state of protected area;
- 3) long-term objectives of protection and sustainable development;
- 4) analysis and assessment of the conditions for achieving the objectives of protection;
- 5) measures of protection, conservation, management, improvement and use of protected natural resource;
- 6) manner of implementing the measures of protection, use and management of the protected natural resource;
- 7) priority activities on the conservation, maintenance and monitoring of natural and other values and environmental segments;
- 8) spatial identification of planned purposes and the regime of land use;

1a. Please identify the most important national sites for migratory species and their protection status:

- > 1. National park "Skadarsko jezero" -national park establishment 1983 (also recognized as a Ramsar site (1995), Emerald site, IBA and IPA);
2. Strictly nature reserve "Tivatska solila"-Strictly nature reserve from 2008 and Ramsar site from 2013. Also recognize as a Emerald and IBA.;
3. National park "Durmitor"-establishment as a national parks from 1952 and from 1983 as a UNESCO site. Also NP Durmitor is Emerald site.

1b. Do these protected areas cover the following areas?

Terrestrial

Yes

If Yes, please provide details and include the amount of protected areas coverage and the number of protected areas

> 12,768% of total national territory are protected and about 52 protected areas are with different level of protection

Marine

No

1c. Identify the agency, department or organization responsible for leading on this action in your country:

> Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism, Ministry of Science, Environmental Protection Agency, Institute for Nature Protection

2. Results - please describe the positive outcomes of any actions taken

> Creation of the fifth National Park Prokletije and two Regional Parks Piva and Komovi

VI. Policies on Satellite Telemetry

1. In the current reporting period, has your country undertaken conservation/research projects that use satellite telemetry?

No

2. Are any future conservation/research projects planned that will use satellite telemetry?

No

VII. Membership

1. Have actions been taken by your country to encourage non- Parties to join CMS and its related Agreements?

No

VIII. Global and National Importance of CMS

1. Have actions been taken by your country to increase national, regional and/or global awareness of the relevance of CMS and its global importance in the context of biodiversity conservation?

No

IX. Mobilization of Resources

If Yes, please provide details (Indicate the migratory species that have benefited from these activities):

> In accordance on the Law on Environment (Off. Gazette of MNE no 52/16), the Environmental Protection Agency have obligation to implement Annual Monitoring Program for Biodiversity. The program and results of monitoring of biodiversity and as well as for other field on environment adopted by Government every year.

2. Has your country made voluntary contributions to the CMS Trust Fund to support requests from developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No

3. Has your country made other voluntary financial contributions to support conservation activities having direct benefits for migratory species in other countries (particularly developing countries)?

No

4. Has your country provided technical and/or scientific assistance to developing countries to facilitate initiatives for the benefit of migratory species?

No

5. Has your country received financial assistance/support from the CMS Trust Fund, via the CMS Secretariat, for national conservation activities having direct benefits for migratory species in your country?

No

6. Has your country received financial assistance/support from sources other than the CMS Secretariat for conservation activities having direct benefit for migratory species in your country?

No

X. Implementation of COP Resolutions and Recommendations

Please provide information about measures undertaken by your country relating to recent Resolutions and Recommendations since the last Report. For your convenience please refer to the list of COP Resolutions and Recommendations listed below:

Avian Species and Issues

Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds (Res. 11.16)

> From the last Year Ministry appointed the member in this Group. This was a first step for any future action in Montenegro.

