







# 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.

COP Resolution 9.4 adopted at Rome called upon the Secretariats and Parties of CMS Agreements to collaborate in the implementation and harmonization of online reporting implementation. The CMS Family Online Reporting System (ORS) has been successfully implemented and used by AEWA in their last Meeting of the Parties (MOP 5, 2012) reporting cycle. CMS now offers the Convention's Parties to use the ORS for submitting their national reports for the COP11 (2014) reporting cycle.

Please enter here the name of your country

> Jordan

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

> Ministry of Environment

Please list any other agencies that have provided input

> Royal Society for Conservation Nature (RSCN)

Bird Life International

Royal Marine Conservation Society of Jordan (JREDS)

## **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  
> 2001

Period covered  
> 2016-2017

Territories to which the Convention applies  
> All Jordan

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## **Implementation**

Relevant implemented legislation:  
> Environmental Protection Law of Jordan  
Agriculture Law

Other relevant Conventions/ Agreements (apart from CMS) to which your country is a Party:  
> CBD  
AEWA  
UNCCD  
UNCCC  
RAMSAR

National policy instruments (e.g. national biodiversity conservation strategy, etc.):  
> NBSAP  
CCD NAP

## **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)**

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Non Range State

### **EUROBATS (1994)**

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Non-party Range State

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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)**

### **Gorilla Agreement (2008)**

Non Range State

## **ACCOBAMS (2001)**

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Non 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.)

> Ministry of Agriculture

Custom Department

Royal Rangers

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

> collaboration to enforce legislation

implementation of CITES convention

joined forces to conserve globally threatened species

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

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:

> Royal Society for the Conservation Nature/ Huntin Law Enforcement, Bird Monitoring and Protection, IBAs and PAs Protection, Safeguards policies, EIAs implementation, conservation guidelines, and awareness raising.  
Al-Mawa for Nature and Wildlife, rehabilitation of injured wildlife  
Birdlife International, international policies and guidelines, mainstreaming conservation into national and sectoral policies, regional and national partnerships  
IUCN, international policies and instruments, providing best practices and conservation guidelines for globally threatened species

5. Describe any involvement of the private sector in the conservation of migratory species in your country:

> working with energy developers (wind and solar) to implement international safeguards and national guidelines to mitigate threats to migratory and resident birds  
private sector supporting WMBD and awareness campaigns

6. Note any interactions between these sectors in the conservation of migratory species in your country:

> mobilizing resources to support awareness raising and launch events  
joint committees, i.e national committee for implementation of strategic environmental assessment of IFC



## **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 Environment
- Royal Society for the Conservation Nature
- Royal Rangers
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Custom Department
- Al-Mawa for Nature and wildlife
- BirdLife International

### 2- Aquatic Mammals

- > Aqaba special Economic Zone Authority (ASEZA)
- University of Jordan
- The Royal Marine Conservation Society of Jordan
- Royal Society for the Conservation Nature
- Royal Rangers
- Custom Department

### 3- Reptiles

- > Royal Society for the Conservation Nature
- Jordan University for science and Technology
- Royal Rangers
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Custom Department
- Al-Mawa for Nature and wildlife

### 4- Terrestrial Mammals

- > Royal Society for the Conservation Nature
- Jordan University for science and Technology
- Royal Rangers
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Custom Department
- Al-Mawa for Nature and wildlife

### 5- Fish

- > Aqaba special Economic Zone Authority (ASEZA)
- University of Jordan
- The Royal Marine Conservation Society of Jordan
- Royal Society for the Conservation Nature
- Royal Rangers
- Custom Department
- Jordan Valley Authority

## 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?

Yes

If Yes, please provide details (Include the date on which the exception was notified to the CMS Secretariat pursuant to CMS Article III(7)):

> release of captive bred Houbara into the wild

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

By-catch

Electrocutation

Habitat destruction

Wind turbines

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

> Implementation of:-

1- Safeguard policies

2- Hunting Law enforcement

3- Bird Monitoring

4- Guidelines for Wind farms Development .

5- Adopting Habitat friendly integration approach into national land use planning.

6- Establishing and Managing protected areas

7- EIA regulation as part of the Ministry of Environment procedure

8- implementation of international conventions such as CITES, CBD

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

> successful implementation of conservation guidelines for key species and habitats .

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

> Capacity Building of human resources on best conservation practices.

Financial support to engage in national wide monitoring for migratory species.

Empower MoEnv. representation in CMS

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?

> mainly hunting law enforcement

capacity building of governmental staff, i.e. customs department

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

> major achievement in combat illegal killing of birds and implementation of CITES

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

> Financial and human resources availability

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

> as above: more is needed in terms of human and financial resources

### **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:  
> NA

Period covered:  
> NA

#### **Siberian Crane MoU (1993/1999)**

Date of last report  
> NA

Period covered:  
> NA

#### **EUROBATS (1994)**

Date of last report:  
> NA

Period covered:  
> NA

#### **ASCOBANS (1994)**

Date of last report:  
> NA

Period covered:  
> NA

#### **Slender-billed Curlew MoU (1994)**

Date of last report:  
> NA

Period covered:  
> NA

#### **Atlantic Turtles MoU (1999)**

Date of last report:  
> NA

Period covered:  
> NA

#### **AEWA (1999)**

Date of last report:  
> unknown

Period covered  
> unknown

#### **ACCOBAMS (2001)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Middle-European Great Bustard MoU (2001)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **IOSEA Marine Turtles MoU (2001)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **ACAP (2001)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Bukhara Deer MoU (2002)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Aquatic Warbler MoU (2003)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered

> NA

### **West African Elephants MoU (2005)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Pacific Islands Cetaceans MoU (2006)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Saiga Antelope MoU (2006)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Ruddy-headed Goose MoU (2006)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Monk Seal in the Atlantic MoU (2007)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Southern South American Grassland Birds MoU (2007)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Dugong MoU (2007)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Gorilla Agreement (2008)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Western African Aquatic Mammals MoU (2008)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **Birds of Prey (Raptors) MoU (2008)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

### **High Andean Flamingos MoU (2008)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

## **Sharks MoU (2010)**

Date of last report:

> NA

Period covered:

> NA

## **South Andean Huemul MoU (2010)**

Date of last report:

> NA

## 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

High

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

> for all migratory threatened species

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

> particularly for Houbara, Syrian Serin and Lesser Kestrel

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)

> Hunting law enforcement

mitigation measures for development

SEA

Research and monitoring of migratory species

> regular monitoring of migratory birds and IWC

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:

> national guidelines for wind energy development

NBSAP

Environment law of Jordan

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

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

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> law enforcement

Economic development

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> sustainable development and mainstreaming conservation into land use plans

Land-use planning

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> sustainable development and mainstreaming conservation into land use plans

Pollution control

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> implementation of EIAs

Designation and development of protected areas

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> national network of PAs and expansion of the network to include other biodiversity designation, i.e. special

conservation areas

Development of ecological networks

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> develop the concept of special conservation areas

Planning of power lines

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> EIA regulations

Planning of dams

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> EIA regulations

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

> the development of a special guidelines for wind energy has a positive impact on monitoring migratory birds species, which in consequences added a value for their conservation



## V. Protected Areas

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

No

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

> Rift valley-Jordan Valley, all IBAs and PAs within valley

PAs in Rift Valley

Al Yarmouk Forest Reserve

Ajloun Forest Reserve

Dibbeen Forest Reserve

Dana Biosphere Reserve

Mujib Biosphere Reserve

Fifa Protected Area

Qatar Protected Area

SCAs in Rift Valley

Aqaba Bird Observatory

Shoao'leh

Tal Al Abe'en

Alkhyouf

### 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

> 1360 km<sup>2</sup>

Aquatic

Yes

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

> 82 km<sup>2</sup>

Marine

No

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

> The existing marine park is not ratified as a protected area yet

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

> Ministry of Environment

The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature

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

> Conservation of species and habitat

## VI. Policies on Satellite Telemetry

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

Yes

If yes what is the state of those projects

on-going

Please provide details

> Houbara Bustard

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

Yes

If Yes, please provide details (including the expected timeframe for these projects):

> The vulnerable Egyptian Vulture

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

> Species conservation and understand range habitat distribution

## VII. Membership

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

No

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

> NA

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

> NA

## 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

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

> NA

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

> NA

## IX. Mobilization of Resources

1. Has your country made financial resources available for conservation activities having direct benefits for migratory species in your country?

Yes

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

> Governmental support for protected area management  
Eco-tourism

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?

Yes

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

> Regional training for capacity building on bird conservation  
Research on key wetlands in the region  
support baseline documentation for establishment of protected areas in the region

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?

Yes

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

> All migratory soaring birds  
Syrian Serin  
Houbara Bustard

## **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:**

### **Strategic and Institutional Matters**

Capacity Building Strategy (Res. 9.12 / Res. 10.6)

> NA

Strategic Plan for Migratory Species 2015-2023 (Res. 11.2)

> NA

Financial and Administrative Matters and Terms of Reference for the Administration of the Trust Fund (Res. 11.1)

> NA

Relationship between the CMS Family and the Civil Society (Res. 11.11)

> NA

World Migratory Bird Day (Res. 11.9)

> NA

Outreach and Communication Issues (Res. 11.8)

> NA

Development of CMS Agreements (Res. 11.12)

> NA

Concerted and Cooperative Actions (Res. 11.13)

> NA

Synergies and Partnerships / Cooperation with other Conventions (Res. 11.10)

> NA

Future strategies of the CMS Family / "Future Shape" (Res. 10.9)

> NA

### **Other resolutions/recommendations:**

> NA

### **Avian Species and Issues**

Electrocution of Migratory Birds (Res. 7.04 / Res. 10.11)

> NA

Southern Hemisphere Albatross Conservation (Res. 6.3)

> NA

Migratory Landbirds in the African Eurasian Region (Res. 11.17)

> NA

Global Flyway Conservation (Res. 10.10 / Res. 11.14)

> NA

Saker Falcon (Res. 11.18)

> NA

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

> NA

Migratory Species and Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (Res. 8.27 / Res. 9.8 / Res. 10.22)

> NA

Poisoning Migratory Birds (Res. 11.15)

> NA

## **Aquatic Species and Issues**

Migratory Marine Species (Res. 9.9 / Res. 10.15)

> NA

Conservation of Migratory Sharks and Rays (Res. 11.20)

> NA

Live capture of Cetacean from the Wild (Res. 11.22)

> NA

Adverse Anthropogenic Impacts on Cetaceans and other Biota (Res. 9.19 / Res. 10.24)

> NA

Loggerhead Turtle in the South Pacific Ocean (Res. 11.21)

> NA

Conservation Implications of Cetacean Culture (Res. 11.23)

> NA

Improving the Conservation Status of the Leatherback Turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*) (Rec. 7.6)

> NA

Antarctic Minke, Bryde's and Pygmy Right Whales (Res. 7.15)

> NA

Migratory Freshwater Fish (Res. 10.12)

> NA

## **Terrestrial Species and Issues**

Sahelo-Saharan Megafauna (Rec. 9.2)

> NA

Tigers and other Asian Big Cats (Rec. 9.3)

> NA

Conservation of the African Lion (Res. 11.32)

> NA

## **Cross-cutting Issues**

Marine Debris (Res. 10.4 / Res. 11.30)

> NA

Bycatch (incl. Recommendation) (Res. 6.2 / Rec. 7.2 / Res. 8.14 / Res. 9.18 / Res. 10.14)

> NA

Wildlife Crime (Res. 11.31)

> NA

Ecological Networks (Res. 10.3 / Res. 11.25)

> NA

Climate Change Impacts on Migratory Species (Res. 7.5 / Res. 11.26)

> NA

Modus Operandi for Conservation Emergencies (Res. 10.2)

> NA

Marine Wildlife Watching (Res. 11.29)

> NA

Oil Pollution and Migratory Species (Res. 7.3)

> NA

Impact Assessment and Migratory Species (Res. 7.2)

> NA

Invasive Alien Species and Migratory Species (Res. 11.28)

> NA

Renewable Energy and Migratory Species (Res. 7.5 / Res. 11.27)

> NA

Other remarks:

> several of the above mentioned resolutions/recommendations were carried out at the national level through non CMS support or coordination.



## **Annex: Updating Data on Appendix II Species**

1. The drop-down lists below contain the list of all species listed in Appendix II. Parties which did not submit a National Report in 2014 are requested to complete the entire form. Parties that did submit a report in 2014 are requested to review and update the data (e.g. new published distribution references and details concerning species added to Appendix II at COP11).

References cited in the Annex:

> NA, no previous reports were submitted to CMS