

# Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals

## Workshop on Climate Change and Migratory Species: Regional Approach, Practical Measures and Examples (CCWS2017)

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### PROGRAMME FOR THE WORKSHOP

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### Background

The Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) Climate Change Working Group, established under the CMS Scientific Council, has the task of reviewing the impact of climate change on migratory species, and of identifying and prioritizing options for intervention.

Resolution 11.26, adopted by the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the Convention in 2014 included a “Programme of Work (PoW) on Climate Change and Migratory Species”. The Parties and other stakeholders should implement the actions contained in this Programme of Work according to their individual circumstances with a view to maximizing the benefits to migratory species. The Climate Change Working Group is expected to help oversee and coordinate this work and in particular to identify priorities and to facilitate knowledge exchange.

The Climate Change Working Group is organizing a workshop with the key objectives to:

- Collate **examples** of what is actually happening to migratory species in relation to climate change impacts.
- Identify and promote **Practical Measures** to facilitate adaptation to Climate Change.
- Consider the development of a **Regional Approach**.
- Consider how to make operational activities included in the PoW, including through **development of project proposals** to appropriate donors/funding mechanisms.

### Programme

#### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February

Morning session – (start at 09.30)

1. Welcome and introductions – round table
2. Overview of climate change and CMS
3. Background and purpose of the workshop: Resolution 11.26 and the Programme of Work.
4. **Session 1** – Consideration of how to structure the discussions and reporting from the workshop
  - By species group – mammals, birds, insects etc.?
  - By habitat type – marine, freshwater, terrestrial etc.?
  - By Region – Americas, Africa, Asia etc.?
5. **Session 2** Collation of key examples of climate change impacts on species and the detail of their response
  - How to define and review the evidence of change?
  - How to present an overview of change?
  - Consideration of future trends and changes
  - Key examples with a focus on species listed on the CMS Appendices

Afternoon session – (Start at 14.00)

6. **Session 3** Identification and promotion of practical measures
  - Identification of key needs and assessment of relative urgency
  - How to facilitate action to help limit any impacts – what works in practice?
  - Collation of “Good Practice” examples – where actions are succeeding.
  - Identification of barriers to action – what is the limiting factor?

## Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Morning session – (Start at 09.00)

7. **Session 4** Development of a Regional approach
  - What are the common needs across Regions?
  - What region specific needs are there – and how can these be identified?
  - How could a Regional approach to action be developed and coordinated?
  - What are the limitation to such an approach?
8. **Session 5** Making the Programme of Work operational
  - Development project proposal(s) – possible short presentation on options
  - Aims and objectives for project(s)
  - Developing the detail of proposal(s)
  - Identification of partners to be part of any initiative

Afternoon session – (Start at 14.00)

9. **Session 6** Conclusions and mapping out a timeline for action
  - Identification of a timeline leading up to the CMS COP
  - Identification of a timeline for developing project(s)
  - Follow up action required from the workshop
10. Closure of the workshop