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PROJECT PROPOSALS SUBMITTED FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE CMS SMALL GRANT PROGRAMME

1. Under this cover are reproduced proposals for projects transmitted to the Secretariat in view of their circulation during the Eleventh Meeting of the Scientific Council. The following proposals had been received at the time this document was being finalized:

- Movements, behavior, and habitat utilization of the loggerhead sea turtle *Caretta caretta* in the Adriatic Sea (*Annex 1*)
- Lesser Kestrel *Falco naumanni* (globally vulnerable species) Migration routes and abundance in its non-breeding African range (*Annex 2*)
- Pre-proposal to CMS for an Assessment of Cetacean Populations and Mortality in the Bay of Bengal (*Annex 3*)
- Tracing the migrations of Indian marine turtles: towards an integrated and collaborative conservation program (*Annex 4*)
- Studies of waterbirds, water levels, and aquatic food plants as a basis for conservation of threatened wetlands at Poyang Lake, China (*Annex 5*)
- Enhancing sea turtle conservation in Kenya (Annex 6)

2. As not all participants might be interested in all proposals and for reasons of economy copies of the proposals will be circulated within the working groups that will have to examine them and will be made available by the Secretariat to other interested Councillors upon request.

3. The meeting is invited to examine the proposals and to formulate recommendations concerning the eligibility of the projects for funding under the CMS Small Grant Programme and, as necessary, suggest possible changes to be requested of the applicant to make the project eligible.

4. For eligible projects, the meeting is also expected to indicate the degree of priority and

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the amount that CMS could contribute, notably in the case this were different from the one requested.

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