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19. National Reporting

CMS COP12 Regional Preparatory Workshop for Africa



Nation Reports (NR)

The national reporting process is an integral part of the overall implementation process of the CMS family instruments

The National Reports are the official documents by which countries inform the decision-making bodies of the CMS Family and / or their instruments on the measures they have taken to implement the priorities

National reports provide an official record of the national implementation of each instrument over time and collectively draw the image of the overall implementation of the instrument.









Why have national reports?

Benefits of National Reports for the Country

When and what to report? Who informs and how to report?

Steps for the preparation of the National Report

Presentation of the National Report and monitoring













How national reports fit into the overall implementation process

- This process usually occurs at the end of the intersessional period before COP
- The process must be seen as a continuous underlying process that influences the planning of activities, their implementation and the evaluation of progress
- For CMS and its Agreements, reporting is an obligation for each Party









Benefits of National Reports for Countries

- It is an incentive for the systematic collection of data and information
- Provides a unique framework for collecting and archiving data and information
- Tool to share information, both within a country / internationally
- It enables countries to identify conservation problems that need to be addressed within their own country, in a region











- The data collected in the NR provide information in favour of the indicators of the Strategic Plan (NBSAP/NIP)
- They provide information on the progress made in achieving the objectives of the SDGs
- Governments can use information to make decisions
- NGOs can use the information to direct their priorities for field activities.













The Online Reporting System (ORS)

- The format of national reports for CMS is online and in the three working languages of the COP (English, Spanish and French)
- The ORS is a versatile web-based platform that is flexible and easy to use
- Easily create and modify custom national report templates
- The system includes a delegated role, which allows the main respondent to assign individual sections or questions of the report to different delegates.
- All users can access and work simultaneously on the same national report
- A look into the future











What happens once the report is sent?

The sending of the national report marks the beginning of a new reporting cycle

The full report analysis and all individual reports will be published on the CMS website

All national reports will be linked to online portals such as InforMEA www.informea.org

Here they will become part of the global information base of the National Reports presented to the MEAs









9 Steps to compile and send the NR

- 1. Begin to plan the report together with the implementation planning
- 2. Know what needs to be reported
- 3. Identify who can help and contribute to the information gathering process
- 4. Determine how to obtain the information for the national report











- 5. Enter the information in the report format when it is available throughout the deployment cycle
- 6. Ensure regular national coordination throughout the implementation cycle.
- 7. Consider the deadline for submission
- 8. Finalize and prepare the national report for submission
- 9. Use the final national report as a basis for future contributions





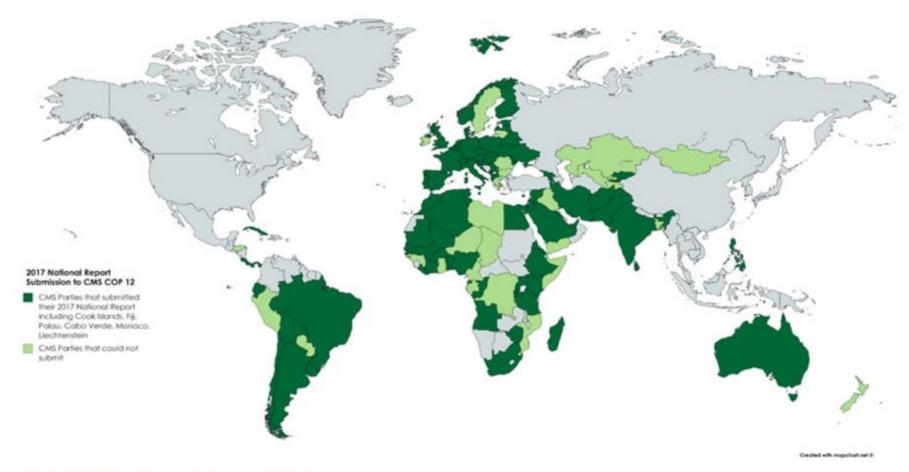








Submission of National Reports 2017 Reaches a Record High



Map of National Report Submission to CMS

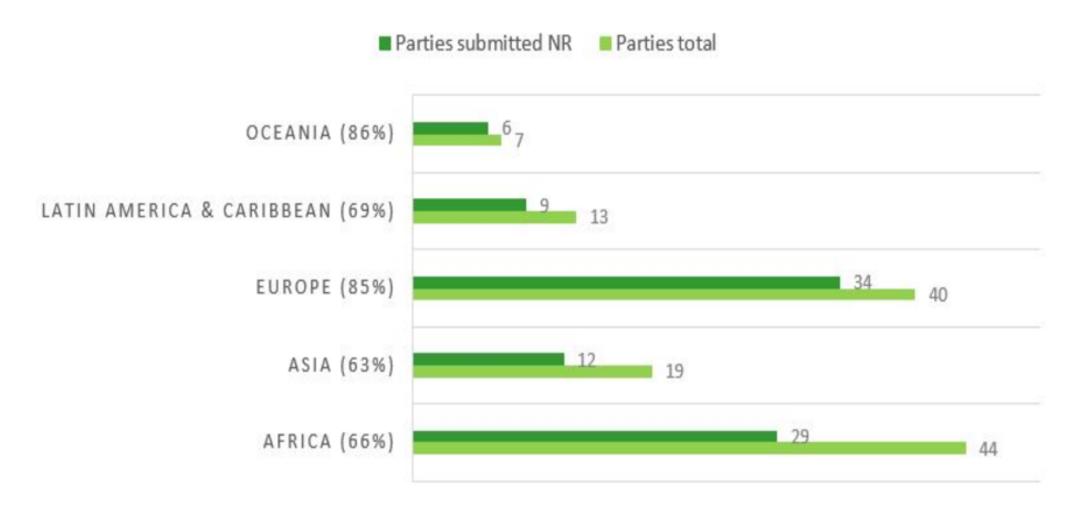








REGIONAL NATIONAL REPORT PRESENTATION











National Report Analysis – COP12

- Activities related to Appendix I species
- New lists of potential species
- Development of new agreements
- Protected areas
- Satellite telemetry
- Mobilization of resources
- Application of Resolutions







