



Provisional Annotated Agenda and Schedule

Sunday 19 January 2014

Time	Agenda Item	Comments / Expected Outcomes
18.00-21.45	Dinner	Venue: Traders Bar & Grill
19.00-20.00	Registration Delegate Packs and Badges to be issued to participants upon presentation of an appropriate photo ID.	Registration Desk opposite Reception.

Monday 20 January 2014

Time	Agenda Item	Comments / Expected Outcomes
08.30-09.30	Registration Delegate Packs and Badges to be issued to participants upon presentation of an appropriate photo ID.	Registration Desk opposite Reception.
09.30-10.30	1. Welcome and Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening Remarks – Hugh Dignon, Scottish Government Welcoming note – Nick P. Williams, CMS Raptors MoU Raptor Conservation in the UK – Stuart Housden, Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB), Scotland Introductions <i>tour-de-table</i> – TAG Members 	Macallan Meeting Room, 5th floor
10.30-11.00	Tea break	
11.00-11.15	2. Election of Officers TAG Members will be invited to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair for the meeting (and to act until MoS2 in late 2015).	Outcome: Chair and Vice-chair elected.
	3. Adoption of the Agenda The meeting will be invited to adopt the Provisional Agenda and Schedule	Documents: TAG1/1, TAG1/2 Outcome: Agenda and Schedule adopted.
11.15-12.30	4. Setting the Scene <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to CMS, including the international conservation context – Borja Heredia, CMS Secretariat Introduction to the CMS Raptors MoU – Nick P. Williams, CMS Raptors MoU 	Documents: TAG1/4, TAG1/Inf1-10
	5. Approach and Working Practices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aims and Objectives of the TAG, including the First Meeting – Nick P. Williams, CMS Raptors MoU Working Practices: options and ideas - David Stroud, Joint Nature Conservation Committee (UK) 	Documents: TAG1/3 + Annex I Outcome: Aims, Objectives, Approach and Working Practices agreed by TAG Members.
12.30-14.00	Lunch	Venue: Traders Bar & Grill

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14.00-15.30	6. Review of Tasks Identified by Signatories TAG Members will be invited to review and consider the list of tasks identified by Signatories to the Raptors MoU.	Document: TAG1/3 + Annex I, II
	6.1 Activity 1 – MoU: Improvement of Protection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on the Scientific Data underpinning the Raptors MoU (Part I) – Vicky Jones, BirdLife International • TAG Members are invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review the content of Annex 1 (species), Table 3 (sites) and the geographic coverage (Annex 2) of the MoU - Review the definition of the term ‘migratory’ as used by the MoU and make recommendations - Develop a simple form and guidance that may be used by Signatories submitting information related to the possible change of species status - Consider and make recommendations on the issue of raptor taxonomy and nomenclature 	Document: TAG1/Inf6 + Annex 1-3 Outcome: Approach agreed to address each of the eight tasks related to Activity 1.
15.30-16.00	Tea break	
16.00-18.00	6.2 Activity 2 – Threats: Protect and/or Manage Important Sites and Flyways <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on the Scientific Data underpinning the Raptors MoU (Part II) – Vicky Jones, BirdLife International • TAG members are invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess and review threats to Annex 1 species of the MoU, and to make recommendations on appropriate measures to alleviate these problems - Consider the need for guidance on species re-introduction measures specific to raptors - Assess knowledge of key breeding areas, stop-over, refuelling, bottleneck and non-breeding sites along raptor flyways and make recommendations on gaps in current information 	Document: TAG1/Inf5 + Annex I Outcome: Approach agreed to address each of the four tasks related to Activity 2.
18.00-21.45	Dinner	Venue: Traders Bar & Grill

Tuesday 21 January 2014

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08.45-10.30	6.3 Activity 3 – Threats: Renewable Energy, Power Grids and Persecution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMS and other initiatives relating to Renewable Energy and Power Grids – Borja Heredia, CMS Secretariat • TAG members are invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Building on existing information concerning the negative impacts on raptors arising from collision and electrocution from power-lines - Review guidance related to the mitigation of negative impacts of other energy generation sectors (e.g. wind and solar) - Provide recommendations on approaches to tackling the issue of illegal persecution 	Document: TAG1/Inf5 (CMS Res.10.11) Outcome: Approach agreed to address each of the three tasks related to Activity 3.
	6.4 Activity 4 – Poisoning : Raise Awareness of Problems Faced by Birds of Prey and Measures Needed to Conserve Them <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMS Minimising Poisoning Working Group: update – Borja Heredia, CMS Secretariat 	Document: TAG1/Inf7 (CMS Res.10.26)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TAG Members are invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contribute technical expertise on raptors and their poisoning to the work of the CMS Working Group - Make recommendations on priorities for raising awareness of raptor conservation needs 	Outcome: Approach agreed to address both of the tasks related to Activity 4.
10.30-11.00	Tea break	
11.00-12.30	<p>6.5 Activity 5 – Guidance: Monitor Bird of Prey Populations, Carry Out Conservation Research and Take Appropriate Remedial Measures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of the main processes by which the UK monitors raptors (and some lessons learned) – David Stroud, Joint Nature Conservation Committee, UK • UK approach to monitoring Hen Harrier populations – Des Thompson, Scottish Natural Heritage & Stephen Murphy, Natural England • TAG members are invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make recommendations as to the need for common standards for methods, drawing from a review of national experiences and good practices to estimate, monitor and conserve raptor populations - Make recommendations as for the sharing of data on raptors for the better implementation of the MoU 	Outcome: Approach agreed to address both of the tasks related to Activity 5.
12.30-14.00	Lunch	Venue: Traders Bar & Grill
14.00-15.30	<p>6.6 Activity 6 – Reporting: Supporting Measures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on CMS/AEWA Online Reporting System (ORS) – Borja Heredia, CMS Secretariat • Presentation on Norway’s National Raptor Conservation Strategy – Øystein Størkersen, Norwegian Environment Agency • TAG members are invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advise the MoS and CU on the integration of national reporting with the MoU’s strategic planning process so as to provide assessments of national implementation - Draft/consider an online reporting format for Signatories to submit National Reports - Consider ways of encouraging Signatories to create National/Regional Raptors Conservation Strategies before MoS2. 	Document: TAG1/Inf3 Outcome: Approach agreed to address the three tasks related to Activity 6.
15.30-16.00	Tea break	
16.00-18.00	<p>6.7 Activity 7 – Additional Tasks: Emerging Issues and Horizon Scanning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approach to Horizon Scanning adopted by Ramsar – David Stroud, JNCC (UK) • TAG Members are invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prepare a written report of TAG's activities for each session of the MoS to be submitted to the CU at least 60 days in advance of the meeting - Prepare a project funding priority list and recommend activities for implementation of the MoU that were to be undertaken in the intersessional period 	Document: TAG1/3 Outcome: Approach agreed to address the tasks related to Activity 7. Document: TAG1/5
19.00-21.00	Evening Ministerial Dinner Reception hosted by the Scottish Government and Scottish Natural Heritage	Venue : Royal Zoological Society of Scotland

Wednesday 22 January 2014

Time	Agenda Item	Comments / Expected Outcomes
08.30-17.30	Field Trip to Loch Leven National Nature Reserve and Argaty Red Kite Feeding Station near Doune, Perthshire	Outcome: Field observations of raptors in unique Scottish landscapes. Enhanced understanding and working relationships established between TAG Members.
18.00-21.45	Dinner	Venue: Traders Bar & Grill
19.00-21.00	Informal Presentations and Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation and Monitoring of Migratory Raptors in South Africa – Andre Botha • Conservation of Critically Endangered Gyps species of Vultures in India – Vibhu Prakash • Lappet-faced Vulture Studies at Mahazat as-Syed Protected Area in Saudi Arabia – Mohammed Shobrak • Breeding the Bonelli's Eagle for conservation in Spain – Fernando Feas • Establishment of a New Sanctuary for Birds of Prey in Mongolia – Nyambayar Batbayar 	Venue: Tamdhu Meeting Room, 5th floor

Thursday 23 January 2014

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08.45-10.30	7. Prioritisation of Tasks TAG Members will be invited to prioritise the tasks assigned to the TAG.	Document: TAG1/3Annex I Outcome: TAG tasks prioritized.
	8. Development of the TAG WorkPlan 2014-15 TAG members will be invited to develop a realistic WorkPlan for the period up until the 2 nd Meeting of Signatories (MoS2) to the Raptors MoU, scheduled to take place in late 2015.	Outcome: TAG WorkPlan developed.
10.30-11.00	Tea break	
11.00-12.30	8. Development of the TAG WorkPlan 2014-15 (continued)	Outcome: TAG WorkPlan developed.
12.30-14.00	Lunch	Venue: Traders Bar & Grill
14.00-15.30	9. Allocation of Tasks and Timelines TAG Members will be invited to identify lead Members for each of the tasks identified.	Document: TAG1/3 + Annex I, II Outcome: All tasks allocated.
15.30-16.00	Tea break	
16.00-17.00	10. Online WorkSpace Training Session Practical Introduction to the online WorkSpace platform - Jenny Renell, CMS Raptors MoU	Outcome: TAG Members familiar and confident in using the online WorkSpace.
17.00	11. Closure of the Meeting	
18.00-21.45	Dinner	Venue: Traders Bar & Grill