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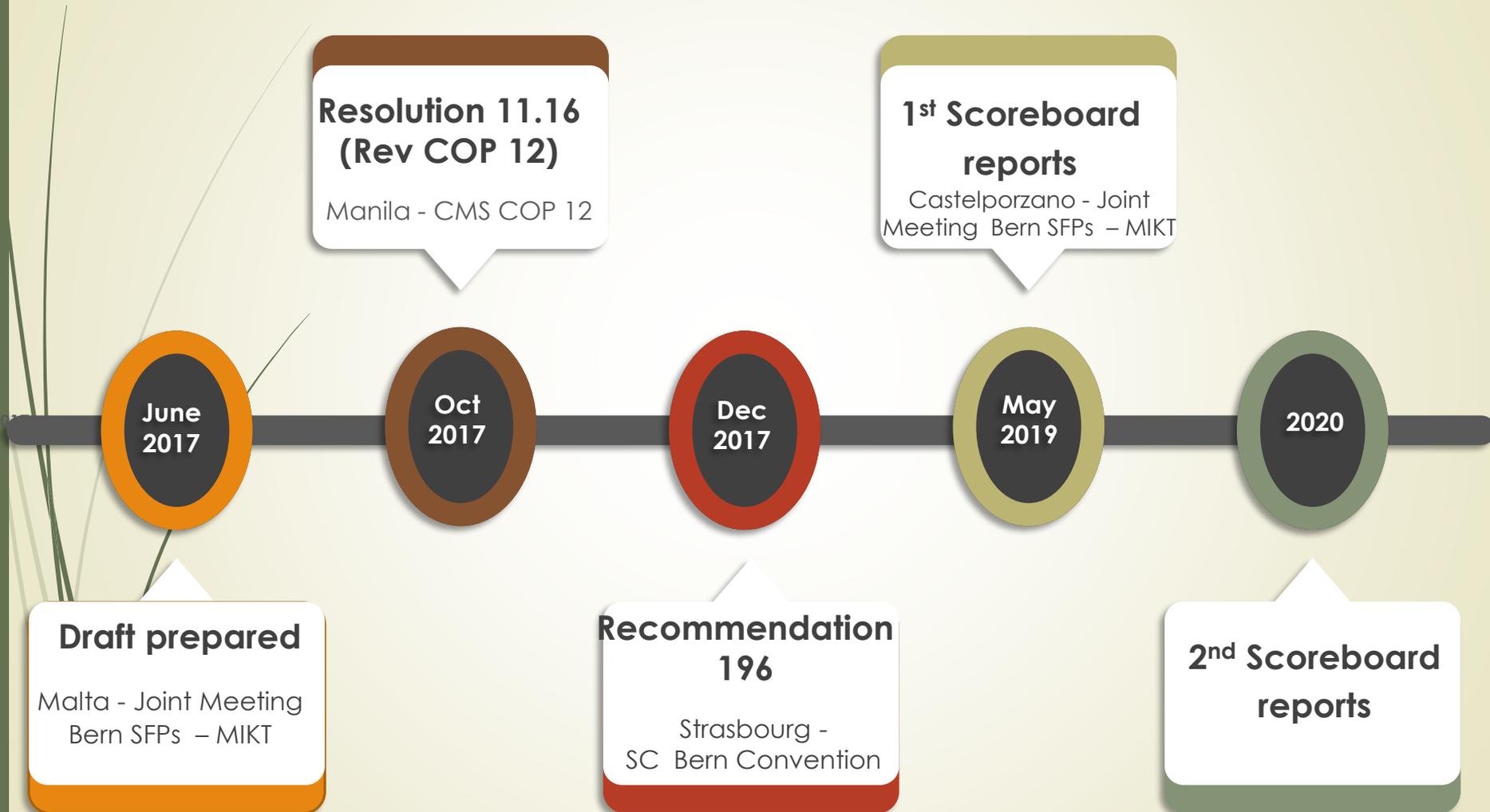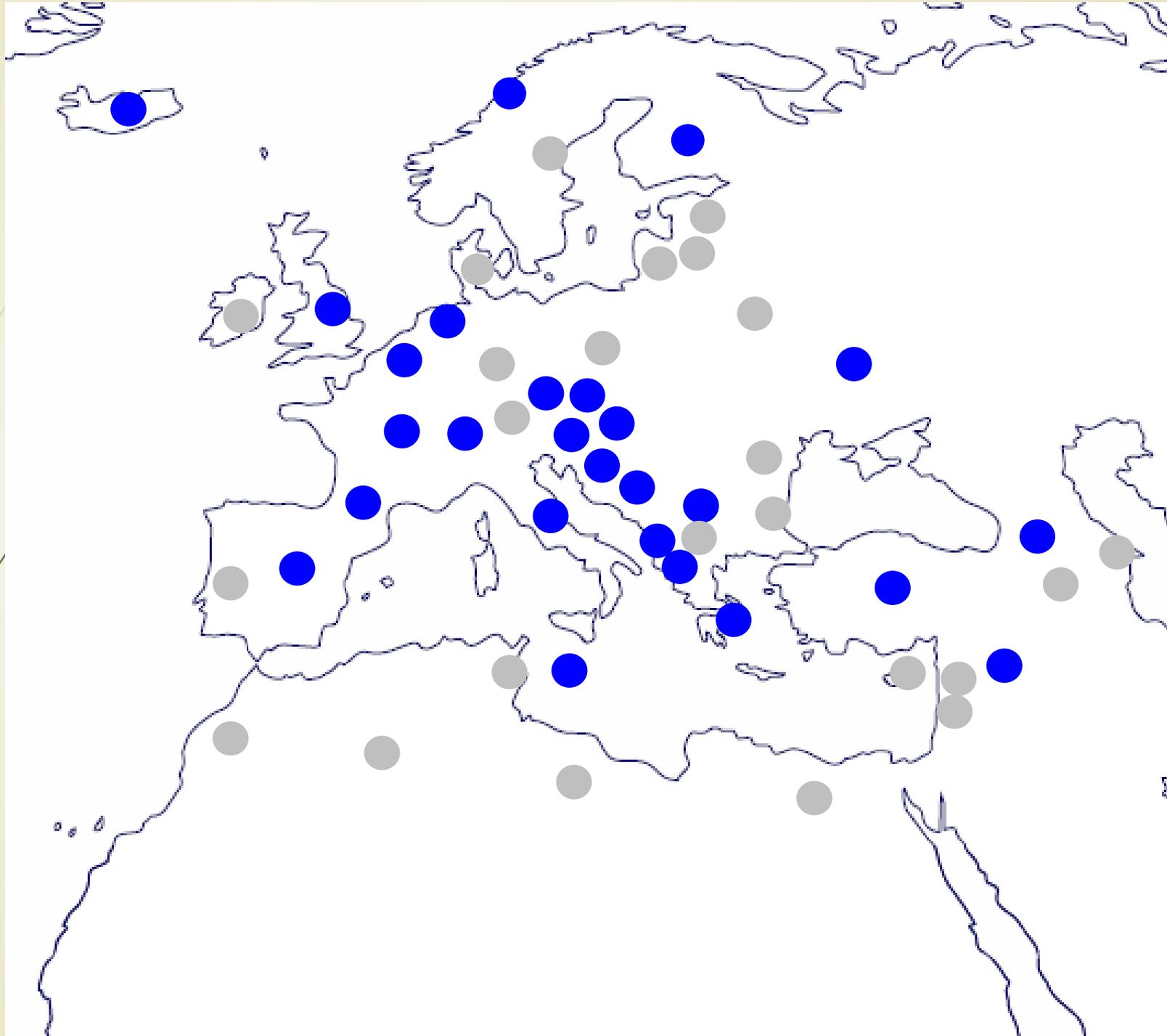
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2nd Joint Bern Convention – EU Environment /CMS MIKT Meeting on
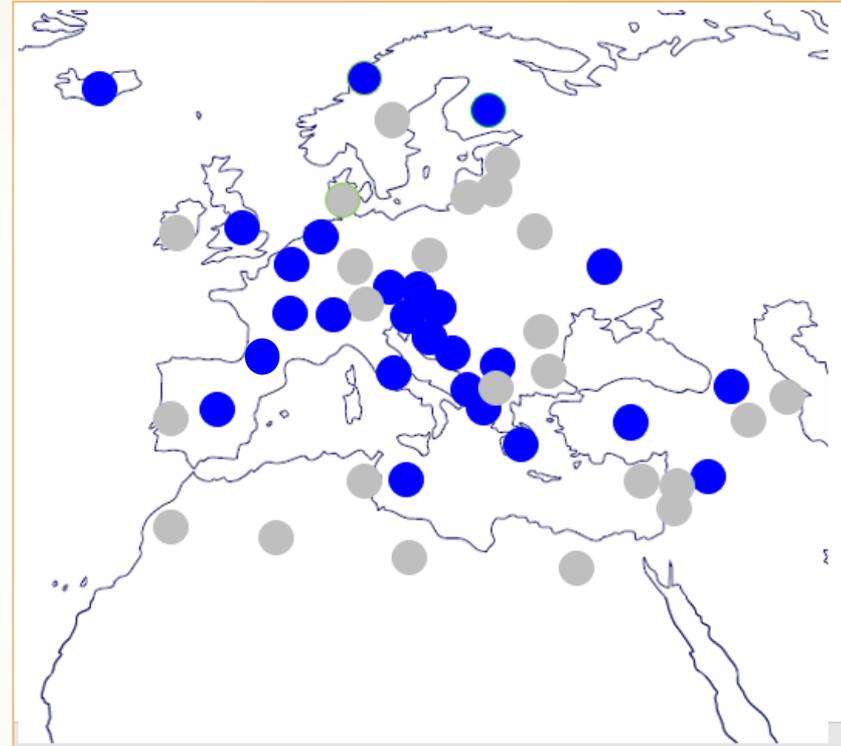
Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Wild Birds

Casteporzano (Rome) 8-10 May 2019

Scoreboard development timeline

Resolution 11.16 (Rev COP 12)

Manila - CMS COP 12

1st Scoreboard reports

Castelporzano - Joint Meeting Bern SFPs – MIKT

June 2017

Oct 2017

Dec 2017

May 2019

2020

Draft prepared

Malta - Joint Meeting Bern SFPs – MIKT

Recommendation 196

Strasbourg - SC Bern Convention

2nd Scoreboard reports

Countries	**53**
Replies	**28**
	53 %
Complete reply (Scoreboard and data)	**15**
Partial reply (Scoreboard or data)	**12**
Scoreboard from NGO	**3**

IKB severity class	Potential responses	Responses received		
		Scoreboard and data	Scoreboard or data	Scoreboard from NGO
Class I > 2,500,000	4	2	-	1
Class II 750,000 – 2,500,000	1	-	-	-
Class III 100,000 – 750,000	12	5	1	-
Class IV < 100,000	36	8	7	2

Methodology

- Each scoreboard assessed individually

- No changes in the scores given by the compiler

- Calculated the total potential score (exclusion of 'Not Relevant' indicators)

- Calculated the percentage of total score

  Sum of score / total possible score x 100

- Calculated the percentage of score for each indicators' group

Presentation of the results

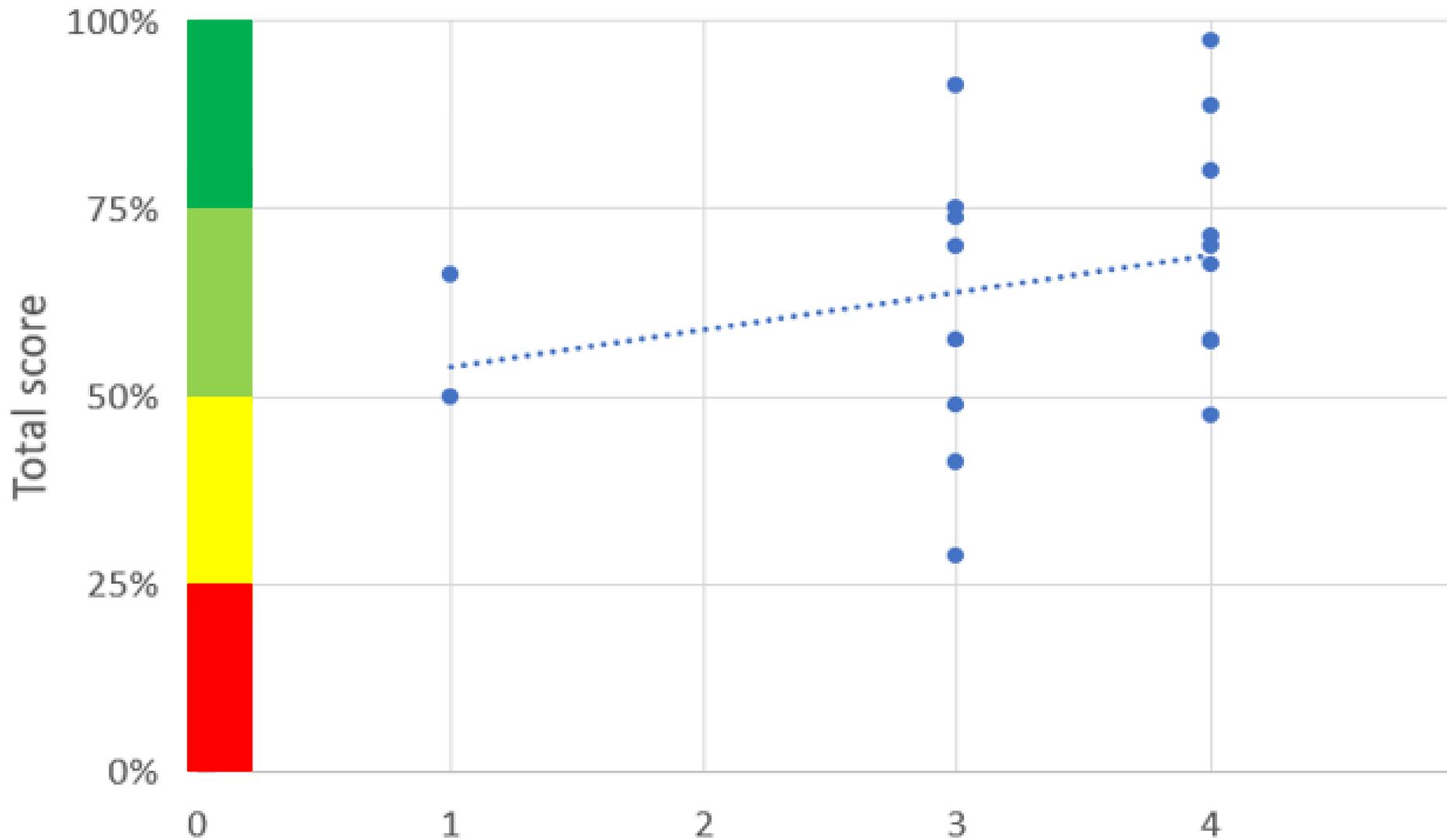|	
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Presentation of the results

TOTAL SCORE
N/A

IKB estimate and number of cases prosecuted

Indicators with score: not completed
Provision on data for IKB estimate and number of cases prosecuted (Q 2 & 4): completed / not completed

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Total scores by IKB severity class and trend. Each dot represents the total score of a country; the position of each dot is determined by the severity of the IKB and the scoreboards score

Overall results

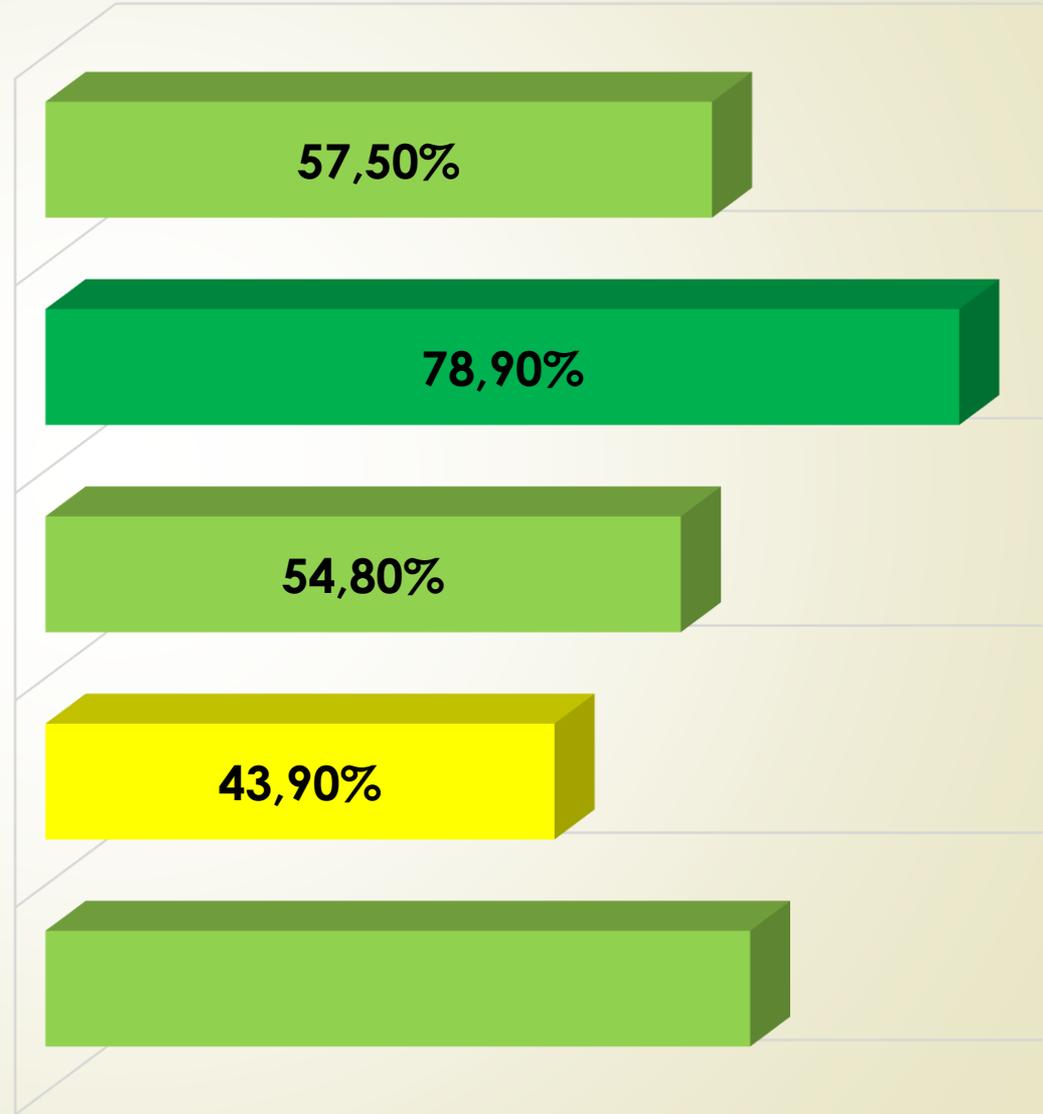A. Monitoring — 57,50%
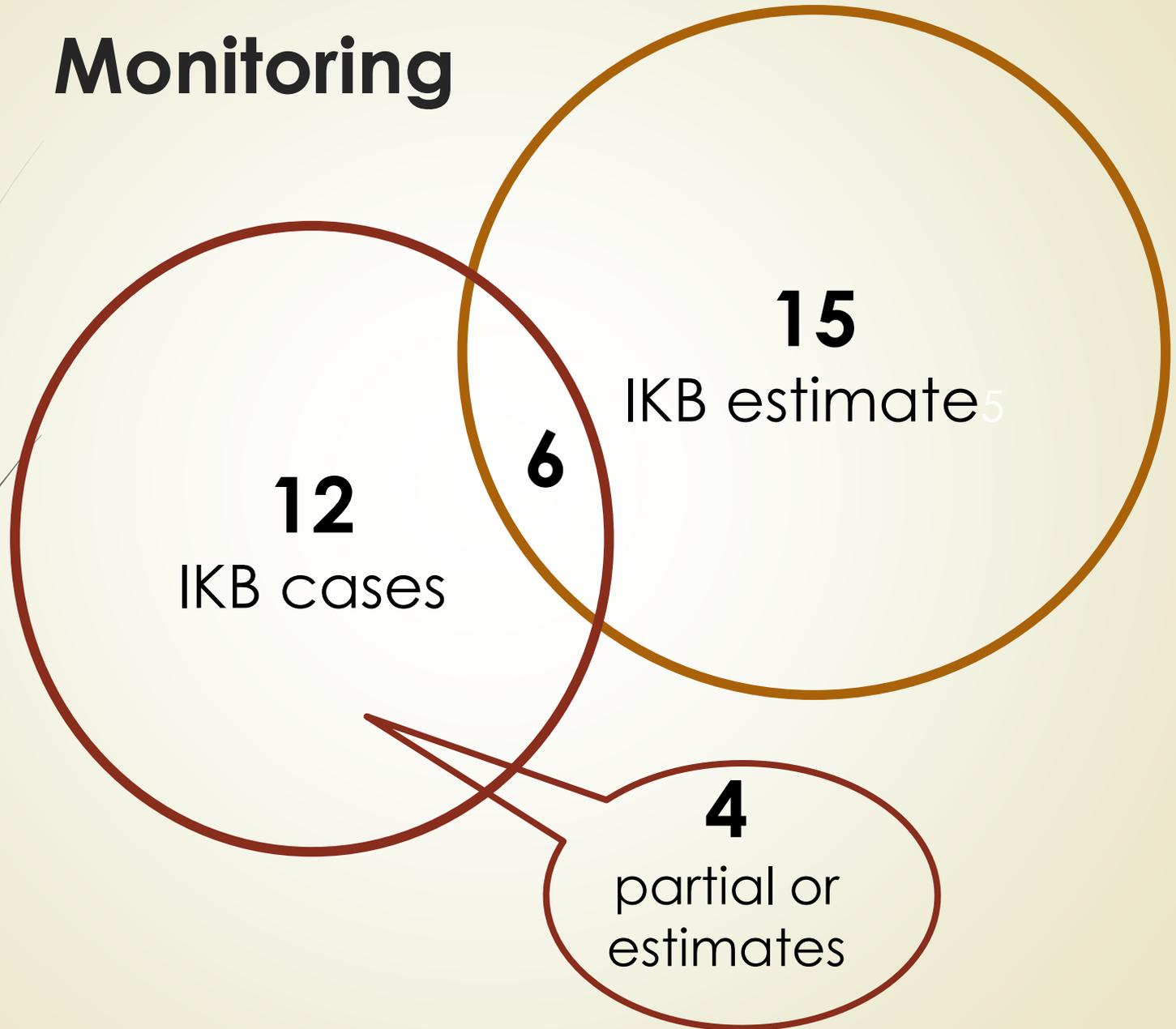
B. Legislation — 78,90%

C. Enforcement response — 54,80%

D. Prosecution and sentencing — 43,90%

E. Prevention

Monitoring

15
IKB estimate

12
IKB cases

6

4
partial or estimates

Monitoring

Cooperation with NGOs

- Hungary: database on poisoning cases MME / National Parks

National databases in IKB cases

- Turkey & France
- Italy (under development)

Methods for developing IKB estimates

- Spain (Regional data + Wildlife recovery Centres)

National legislation

- Adequate National wildlife legislation
- Well regulated hunting legislation
  - No countries below 2 (out of 3)
- Comprehensive description of offences
  - Only one country scoring 1
- Penalties adequate and proportional
  - four countries score 1, ten countries score 3
- Criminal law can be applied to IKB crimes
  - five countries indicates this (almost) never happen.

National legislation

Taking severity of IKB crime into consideration

Hungary

Penalities are established based **also** on:

- Nature conservation value of protected species
- Number of individuals killed / trapped
- Mitigating and aggravating circustamces

Judges have a wide margin of discretion

Enforcement

Action plan

5 countries have one or more action plans / strategies to address IKB

6 countries have plans under development

3 countries have other strategies that cover IKB

LEAs staffing and training

4 countries score 3,

7 countries score 2

Enforcement

Many strategies or one plan?

UK

- Wildlife Crime Policing Strategy of the National Police Chiefs' Council
  - Raptor Persecution Priority Delivery Group
  - CITES Priority Delivery Group
- Joint action plan to increase the Hen Harrier
- MoU on the prevention, investigation and enforcement of Wildlife Crime between Natural England Natural Resources Body for Wales The Crown Prosecution Service and the National Police Chiefs' Council.

HU, IT, MT, ES, SY

National plans developed in collaboration with stakeholders

Prosecution and sentencing

Awareness

7 countries limited awareness

3 countries high level of awareness

Sentencing guidelines

6 countries in place

6 countries under development

Training of Prosecutors / Judges

2 countries > 50% trained

3 countries >10% < 50% trained

Prosecution and sentencing

European Network of Prosecutors for the Environment (ENPE) - CMS 2018 Workshop for Government Prosecutors on the Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds

- *Specialist prosecutors;*

- *Specialized police forces, or their equivalent with police-like powers;*

  - *Spain's SEPRONA provides a good example.*

- *National commitment by the relevant governmental ministries and departments;*

- *Modern and effective legislation;*

- *International co-operation is vital.*

- *Addressing wildlife crime requires specific training;*

Prevention

IKB drivers
14 countries have a good understanding
10 countries have implemented activities

Communication activities
12 countries score 2 or 3
12 countries score 1 or 0

➡ **No** IKB communication strategy

Prevention

Driver and Poachers in Malta

The most prominent drivers are <u>taxidermy</u>, <u>illegal trophy trade</u> and <u>illegal trade in live birds</u>.

However, "recreational satisfaction", including "thrill killing" aggravated by <u>lack of hunting opportunities</u> and frustration / rebellion against official regulations is also known to be a major driver.

Category I poachers *- for personal possession or illegal taxidermy or trade*

Category II poachers

- *<u>The opportunists</u>*
- *<u>The frustrated</u>*
- *<u>The rebels</u>*

Conclusions

The Scoreboard is an effective tool to monitor progress

- **Good** report rate

- Has established a baseline to be used by each country as a **benchmark**

- Offers insights on **areas requiring further efforts** by national governments

- Provides guidance in the identification of areas where Bern Convention SFPs and MIKT members may **support contracting parties** by facilitating sharing experiences and specific trainings.