

Middle East Regional Workshop – Sharjah, UAE

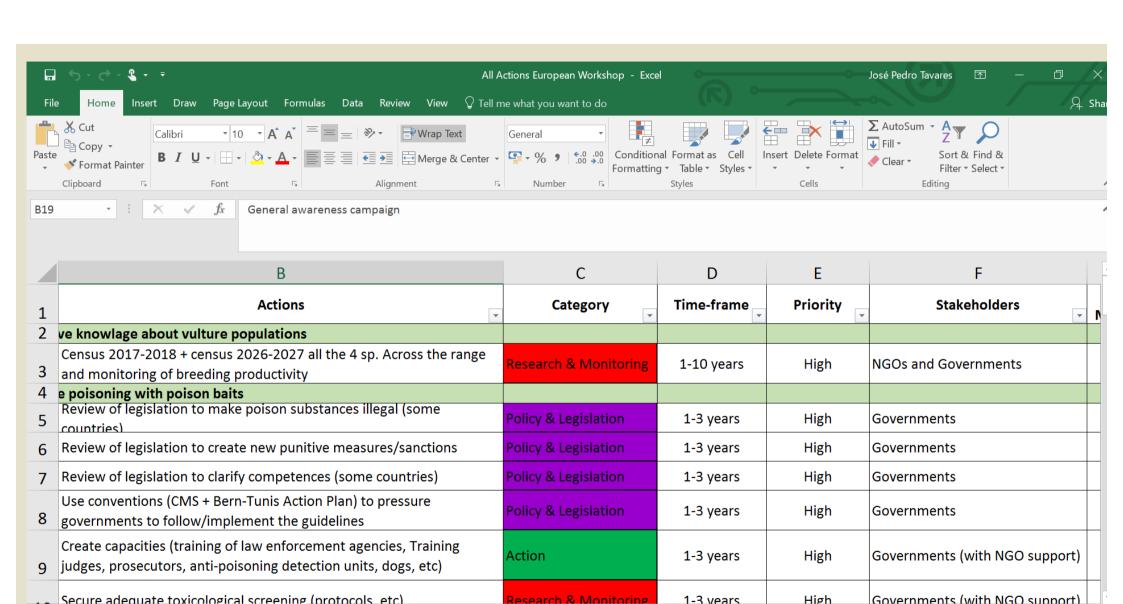


Vulture Multi-species Action Plan



Critical/High threats Middle East

- Poisoning by poison baits
- Electrocution
- Collision with energy infrastructure
- Availability of in situ food
- Disturbance
- Habitat loss (nesting sites)



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Action planning...



- Research & Monitoring lots of actions, including on overlap between ungulates and vultures, rubbish dumps & vultures, tracking
- Poisoning i) Legislation and regulations; ii) Capacity building and training (law enforcement agencies, judicial, field staff, wildlife centres, laboratory, rubbish dump); iii) Development and promotion of protocols for data collection and analysis; iv) Identification and support of antipoison champions; iv) guidelines to solve the root causes – fox-feral dogs
- Food supplementary feeding strategy-plan for the region key sites + promote reintroduction/restocking wild ungulates in key sites
- Awareness several target groups, improve vulture image in the region & explain unique role and value in terms of ecosystem services



Action Planning – Group 2

Electrocution & Collisions with Energy Infrastructure

- COP7 Resolution 7.21
- Monitoring protocols and implementation
- Determine impact across the region
- · Sensitivity mapping
- Planning and routing EIA's
- Retrofitting and use of safe structures
- Making structures more visible
- Involving utilities monitoring and implementation of measures
- Develop and promote cost-benefit models
- Investigate new technology with less impact on soaring birds – wind-turbines





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Disturbance and Loss of Nesting Sites

- Identify and map sensitive sites for protection
- Implement and enforce appropriate legislation to protect sites – sensitive zoning/buffers
- Alternative methods wood for fuel, shelter
- Create suitable habitat planting of trees, grazing regimes
- Vultures considered in development planning
 permitting in sensitive zones





Regional Coordination and MsAP Implementation

- Any on-going project that overlap with MsAP?
- Synergies with existing CMS or other multilateral initiatives?
- Coordination structures
- How to engage to governments?
- Monitoring and evaluation.
- Fundraising? Any donors for actions listed?
- Communications.





Action Plans do not conserve species...

...ACTIONS do

Our Action Plan is just the beginning.....