

# 2014 NATIONAL REPORT OF PARTIES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF MIGRATORY SPECIES OF WILD ANIMALS

**The deadline for submission of the reports is 1 May 2014. The reporting period is 15 June 2011 to 1 May 2014.**

Parties are encouraged to respond to all questions. Parties are also requested to provide comprehensive answers, including, where appropriate, a summary of activities, information on factors limiting action and details of any assistance required.

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> Ministry of Climate and Environment

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Date of entry into force of the Convention in your country

> 01.08.1985

Period covered

> 15.06.2011-01.05.2014

Territories to which the Convention applies

> Jan Mayen. Svalbard. Antarctic/Sub-antarctic: Queen Maud's Land; Bouvet Island, Peter I'st Land

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Relevant implemented legislation:  
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Other relevant Conventions/ Agreements (apart from CMS) to which your country is a Party:  
 > MEA's: CITES. CW (Ramsar). CBD. Bern Convention.

National policy instruments (e.g. national biodiversity conservation strategy, etc.):  
 > White Paper no 26 (2006-2007) on the 'Government environmental policy and the state of the environment'

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**Involvement of other government departments/NGOs/private sector**

1. Which other government departments are involved in activities/initiatives for the conservation of migratory species in your country? (Please list.)

> Norwegian Polar Institute  
Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate  
Ministry of Climate and Environment  
Ministry of trade, industry and fisheries  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Ministry of Climate and Environment](#) - Homepage for the ministry

2. If more than one government department is involved, describe the interaction/relationship between these government departments:

> - Between ministries the main link is resource management. Protection of marine sites can also be executed by MTIF.  
- The polar institute is mainly a research and advisory body, but with management competency for the Antarctic  
- The Norwegian water Resources and energy directorate is involved in management of conflicts between migratory species and energy installations

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Ministry of trade, industry and fisheries](#) - Homepage for the ministry

[Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#) - Homepage for the ministry

[Norwegian Polar Institute](#) - Homepage for the institute

[Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate](#) - Homepage of the directorate

3. Has a national liaison system or committee been established in your country?

No

4. List the main non-governmental organizations actively involved in activities/initiatives for the

conservation of migratory species in your country, and describe their involvement:

- > WWF Norway: ia focus on Artic biodiversity
- Norwegian Nature Protection Society: General nature conservation
- Norwegian Ornithological Society: bird Conservation
- SABIMA, union of natureprotection NGO's: Coordination and training

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[World Wide Fund Norway](#) - Homepage for WWF Norway

[Norwegian Nature Protection Society](#) - Homepage for the national nature protection society

[Norwegian Ornithological Society](#) - Homepage for the national ornithological society

[SABIMA](#) - Homepage for the union of nature protection societies

4a. Please provide detail on any devolved government/overseas territory authorities involved.

- > None

5. Describe any involvement of the private sector in the conservation of migratory species in your country:

- > Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate coordinates activities by performed because of statutory requirements by private energy companies, eg conflicts on installations (power lines, wind turbines etc)

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate](#) - Hompepage of the directorate

6. Note any interactions between these sectors in the conservation of migratory species in your country:

- > All sectors are by law obliged to make risk analysis (due diligence), SEA/EIA and take action to avoid negative consequences by their activities. Broad training and supervising programmes executed by the national environment agency to ensure compliance.

## **I(b). Information about involved Authorities**

Identify the ministry, agency/department or organization that is responsible for leading actions relating to Appendix I species

### 1- Birds

> Norwegian Environment Agency

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Wildlife agency - Official web-pages for the Agency

### 2- Aquatic Mammals

> Directorate of Fisheries

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Fisheries Agency - Official web-pages for the Agency

### 3- Reptiles

> Norwegian Environment Agency

### 4- Terrestrial Mammals

> Norwegian Environment Agency

### 5- Fish

> Directorate of Fisheries (marine and non-anadromous species)

## II. Appendix I species

### 1. BIRDS

#### 1.1 General questions on Appendix I bird species

1. Is the taking of all Appendix I bird species prohibited by the national implementing legislation cited in Table I(a) (General Information)?

Yes

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Wildlife protection act (1981) - Act protecting bird species

1a. If the taking of Appendix I bird species is prohibited by law, have any exceptions been granted to the prohibition?

No

If Yes, please provide details (Include the date on which the exception was notified to the CMS Secretariat pursuant to CMS Article III(7):

> Derogations can be granted under certain conditions and circumstances. No derogations were granted in the reporting period.

2. Identify any obstacles to migration that exist in relation to Appendix I bird species:

By-catch

Habitat destruction

Wind turbines

Pollution

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Report on conflicts between windturbines and birds - Report after conclusion of study

Windturbines and innovative research - INTACT programme: Reducing conflicts with migratory birds

Research programme - BirdWind programme: Windturbines and bird collision research

2a. What actions are being undertaken to overcome these obstacles?

> Windturbines: Research programmes, see para 1a (2) above to test effects and methods of avoidance.

Habitat destruction: General ban on destruction of habitats without risk assessment and mitigation (cf Nature Diversity Act -2009)

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Nature Diversity Act - Nature protection act 2009

2b. Please report on the progress / success of the actions taken.

> Involvement of relevant sectors ensured, including their financing. Funding also received from the national research Council, and involvement of international partners.

Ongoing mitigation of hazardous sites for electrocution, ca 50% of identified lines mitigated.

Habitat conservation includes 18% under national nature reserve regulations. Generally destruction of sites for breeding banned and information database on known sites established and accessible in relation to obligatory risk assessment for any activity relating to the environment.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Nature database - Data portal for information on sites with species and habitats outside of protected areas

Threatened species portal - Database with records of all species in Norway

2c. What assistance, if any, does your country require in order to overcome these obstacles?

> None

3. What are the major pressures to Appendix I bird species (transcending mere obstacles to migration)?

Other (please specify)

> Habitat Conservation most important, cf how this is tackled above in para 2.

3a. What actions have been taken to prevent, reduce or control factors that are endangering or are likely to further endanger bird species beyond actions to prevent disruption to migrating behaviour?

> See para 2.

3b. Please report on the progress / success of the actions taken.

> See para 2b.

3c. Describe any factors that may limit action being taken in this regard:

> Lack of knowledge of law requirements and lack of knowledge of sites for species. Mitigated by continuous training and guidance material. Collection of site information continuous ongoing process and reinforced by establishment of the National Threatened Species Unit, cf web link.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[National Threatened Species Unit](#) - Collection of information on species and habitats

3d. What assistance, if any, does your country require to overcome these factors?

> None

## 1.2 Questions on specific Appendix I bird species

In the following section, using the table format below, please fill in each Appendix I bird species for which your country is considered to be a Range State. Please complete each table as appropriate, providing information in summary form. Where appropriate, please cross-reference to information already provided in national reports that have been submitted under other conventions (e.g. Convention on Biological Diversity, Ramsar Convention, CITES). (Attach annexes as necessary.)

### Species name: **Anser erythropus**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Lesser White-fronted Goose portal](#) - Information on LWfG and ISSAP

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

increasing

> Depredation from red foxes reduced by culling. Slow, but significant increase of population remaining.

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

> Few pairs remaining, control of all sites.

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Research

> Every specimen followed and eg. telemetry and satellite tagging performed

Monitoring

> Cf ISSAP programme

Education/awareness rising

> Web pages and wide info in the media and with politicians

Species protection

> Fully protected.

Control hunting / poaching

> Widespread information to avoid any illegal hunt

Species restoration

> Funding of ongoing programme.

Habitat protection

> Proposal to protected last site ongoing

Other

> Norway funds a full time officer within the AEWA Secretariat to coordinate work With the ISSAP on this species.

4. If no activities have been carried out for this species in the reporting period, what has prevented such action being taken?

> Cf. ISSAP and NSAP for list of activities (eg meetings and Reporting).

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

LWfG working group - Programme of activities and results from meetings etc

### Species name: **Polysticta stelleri**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Most recent from 2009 on the Norwegian-Russian population, see publication below.

You have attached the following documents to this answer.

P00411 Stellers eider.pdf - OSPAR action plan

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Population survey - Most recent publication on population

CAFF eider action plan - All eider species under CAFF

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

stable

> Wintering population

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Monitoring

> Ongoing annual

5. Describe any future activities that are planned for this species:

> SEAPOPOP monitoring programme continues in Norway, and continued Collaboration through the Norwegian-Russian bilateral cooperation on ia seabirds.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Seabird monitoring programme - Monitoring of all seabird species

SEAPOPOP - Homepage

### Species name: **Haliaeetus albicilla**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Norwegian Ornithological Society report on birds of prey, their distribution, occurrence, management challenges and reference list, issued 2014 (see link below).

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Birds of prey in Norway, with references - General analysis on populations and management needs

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

increasing

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

increasing

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Research

Monitoring

> Longstanding monitoring programme.

Other

> See para 1.1. (2) on studies related to conflicts with windturbines

This issue has been debated at the Bern Convention. At present Norway holds a Reporting requirement (next is Dec. 2014) on complying with recommendation following 'possible case file'.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Persistent pollution report 2012 - Monitoring report on all birds of prey

### Species name: **Calidris canutus rufa**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> It is *C. canutus islandica* which is the common migratory species in Norway.

### Species name: *Emberiza aureola*

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Not present in Norway.

Miscellaneous information or comments on Appendix I birds in general:

> In Norway only *A. erythropus*, *P. stelleri* & *H. albicilla* occurs.

## 2. AQUATIC MAMMALS

### 2.1 General questions on Appendix I aquatic mammals

1. Is the taking of all Appendix I aquatic mammals species prohibited by the national implementing legislation cited in Table I(a) (General Information)?

Yes

If other legislation is relevant, please provide details:

> Act on saltwater fisheries regulates and protects marine mammals.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Act on saltwater fisheries](#) - Act includes protection and management of marine mammals

1a. If the taking of Appendix I aquatic mammals species is prohibited by law, have any exceptions been granted to the prohibition?

No

2. Identify any obstacles to migration that exist in relation to Appendix I aquatic mammals:

Pollution

Other threats to migration (please provide details)

> Pollution such as plastic debris probably an issue with marine species.

2a. What actions are being undertaken to overcome these obstacles?

> Widespread information and ban on dumping of garbage at sea.

2b. Please report on the progress / success of the actions taken.

> Ongoing.

2c. What assistance, if any, does your country require in order to overcome these obstacles?

> Stronger international collaboration, eg through IMO.

3. What are the major pressures to Appendix I aquatic mammals species (transcending mere obstacles to migration)?

Other (please specify)

> Unknown. Underwater noise from geological surveys might be a problem. Pre-cautionary approach must be taken to avoid sensitive times of the year.

3a. What actions have been taken to prevent, reduce or control factors that are endangering or are likely to further endanger aquatic mammals species beyond actions to prevent disruption to migrating behaviour?

> See para 2 above.

### 2.2 Questions on specific Appendix I aquatic mammals

In the following section, using the table format below, please fill in each Appendix I aquatic mammals species for which your country is considered to be a Range State. Please complete each table as appropriate, providing information in summary form. Where appropriate, please cross-reference to information already provided in national reports that have been submitted under other conventions (e.g. Convention on Biological Diversity, Ramsar Convention, CITES). (Attach annexes as necessary.)

### Species name: *Physeter macrocephalus*

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Isakesen, K. et al. 1998. Truete pattedyr i Norge. Norsk Zoologisk Forening Rapport 5. (Threatened Mammals in Norway by the national zoological society).

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

stable

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Monitoring

> Included in any monitoring of sea Mammals.

5. Describe any future activities that are planned for this species:

> Continued monitoring.

### **Species name: Balaenoptera borealis**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Isakesen, K. et al. 1998. Truete pattedyr i Norge. Norsk Zoologisk Forening Rapport 5. (Threatened Mammals in Norway by the national zoological society).

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

stable

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Monitoring

5. Describe any future activities that are planned for this species:

> Continued monitoring.

### **Species name: Balaenoptera physalus**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Isakesen, K. et al. 1998. Truete pattedyr i Norge. Norsk Zoologisk Forening Rapport 5. (Threatened Mammals in Norway by the national zoological society).

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

stable

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Monitoring

5. Describe any future activities that are planned for this species:

> Continued monitoring.

### **Species name: Balaenoptera musculus**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Isakesen, K. et al. 1998. Truete pattedyr i Norge. Norsk Zoologisk Forening Rapport 5. (Threatened Mammals in Norway by the national zoological society).

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

stable

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the

reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Monitoring

5. Describe any future activities that are planned for this species:

> Continued monitoring.

### **Species name: Megaptera novaeangliae**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Isakesen, K. et al. 1998. Truete pattedyr i Norge. Norsk Zoologisk Forening Rapport 5. (Threatened Mammals in Norway by the national zoological society).

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

stable

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Monitoring

5. Describe any future activities that are planned for this species:

> Continued monitoring.

### **Species name: Balaena mysticetus**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Isakesen, K. et al. 1998. Truete pattedyr i Norge. Norsk Zoologisk Forening Rapport 5. (Threatened Mammals in Norway by the national zoological society).

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

stable

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Monitoring

5. Describe any future activities that are planned for this species:

> Continued monitoring.

### **Species name: Eubalaena glacialis (North Atlantic)**

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Isakesen, K. et al. 1998. Truete pattedyr i Norge. Norsk Zoologisk Forening Rapport 5. (Threatened Mammals in Norway by the national zoological society).

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

stable

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

stable

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Monitoring

5. Describe any future activities that are planned for this species:

> Continued monitoring.

## **3. REPTILES**

### **3.1 General questions on Appendix I reptiles**

1. Is the taking of all Appendix I reptiles species prohibited by the national implementing legislation cited in Table I(a) (General Information)?

Yes

1a. If the taking of Appendix I reptiles species is prohibited by law, have any exceptions been granted to the prohibition?

No

2. Identify any obstacles to migration that exist in relation to Appendix I reptiles species:

Pollution

Other threats to migration (please provide details)

> General focus on reducing pollution at sea and from ashore. Through legislation, IMO & OSPAR resolutions, general information campaigns etc.

2a. What actions are being undertaken to overcome these obstacles?

> See above.

2b. Please report on the progress / success of the actions taken.

> Successful and strong support from Government.

2c. What assistance, if any, does your country require in order to overcome these obstacles?

> More international compliance.

3. What are the major pressures to Appendix I reptiles species (transcending mere obstacles to migration)?

Other (please specify)

> Not relevant.

3a. What actions have been taken to prevent, reduce or control factors that are endangering or are likely to further endanger reptiles species beyond actions to prevent disruption to migrating behaviour?

> General information on protection and status.

3b. Please report on the progress / success of the actions taken.

> Ongoing and strong public knowledge.

3d. What assistance, if any, does your country require to overcome these factors?

> None.

Miscellaneous information or comments on Appendix I marine turtles in general:

> Only species to occur in Norway is *Caretta caretta*. None of the two above normally occur in Norwegian waters.

## 5. FISH

### 5.1 General questions on Appendix I fish species

1. Is the taking of all Appendix I fish species prohibited by the national legislation listed as being implementing legislation in Table I(a) (General Information)?

Yes

If other legislation is relevant, please provide details:

> Law on salt water fisheries: protection of listed species in separate regulations.

1a. If the taking of Appendix I fish species is prohibited by law, have any exceptions been granted to the prohibition?

No

If Yes, please provide details (Include the date on which the exception was notified to the CMS Secretariat pursuant to CMS Article III(7):

> If any by-catch, these are obliged to be landed ashore.

2c. What assistance, if any, does your country require in order to overcome these obstacles?

> None.

3. What are the major threats to Appendix I fish species (transcending mere obstacles to migration)?

Other (please specify)

> None recognized.

## 5.2 Questions on specific Appendix I fish species

In the following section, using the table format below, please fill in each Appendix I fish species, for which your country is considered to be a Range State. Please complete each table as appropriate, providing information in summary form. Where appropriate, please cross-reference to information already provided in national reports that have been submitted under other conventions (e.g. Convention on Biological Diversity, Ramsar Convention, CITES). (Attach annexes as necessary.)

### Species name: *Cetorhinus maximus*

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Distribution and population data based mainly on catch-statistics in the N-Atlantic.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Listing proposal to CITES CoP](#) - Listing proposal under CITES with info on status

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

not known

> Probably increasing due to protection.

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Other

> None.

4. If no activities have been carried out for this species in the reporting period, what has prevented such action being taken?

> Low commercial interest in the species solicits low interest in research.

5. Describe any future activities that are planned for this species:

> None.

### Species name: *Acipenser sturio*

1. Please provide published distribution reference:

> Has not occurred in Norway for centuries.

2a. Summarise information on population size (if known):

not known

2b. Summarise information on distribution (if known):

not known

3. Indicate and briefly describe any activities that have been carried out in favour of this species in the reporting period. (Please provide the title of the project and contact details, where available):

Other

> None.

4. If no activities have been carried out for this species in the reporting period, what has prevented such action being taken?

> No occurrence.

## 6. LISTING OF OTHER ENDANGERED MIGRATORY SPECIES IN APPENDIX I

1. Is your country a Range State for any other endangered migratory species currently listed in Appendix I?

(according to the latest IUCN red data list). N.B.: States in which a species occurs as a vagrant (i.e. not "on its normal migration route") should not be treated as Range States. Please refer to Article 1 of the Convention for clarification.

No

1a. Is your country taking any steps to propose listing any of these species?

No

## III. Appendix II Species

### 1. INFORMATION ON APPENDIX II SPECIES

Information pertaining to the conservation of Appendix II species that are the object of CMS Agreements will have been provided in periodic Party reports to those instruments. It will suffice therefore to reference (below), and preferably append, a copy of the latest report that has been submitted to the Secretariat of each of the Agreement/MoUs to which your country is a Party.

#### EUROBATS (1994)

Date of last report:

> July 2010

You have attached the following documents to this answer.

[Eurobats national report Norway 2010.doc](#) - Norways national report to Eurobats

Period covered:

> June 2006-July 2010

#### AEWA (1999)

Date of last report:

> 2012. Cf. ORS-report.

Period covered

> 2009-2011.

#### ACAP (2001)

Date of last report:

> 2012, cf MoP documents.

Period covered:

> 2010-2012

#### Birds of Prey (Raptors) MoU (2008)

Date of last report:

> 2014

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Status birds of prey](#) - General overview, part of report to AEBOP.

Period covered:

> Up to 2014.

## 2. QUESTIONS ON CMS AGREEMENTS

### Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Bird Species

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Bird Species ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Bird Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Bird Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

### Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Marine Mammal Species

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Marine Mammal Species ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Marine Mammal Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Marine Mammal Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

### **Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Marine Turtle Species**

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Marine Turtle Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Marine Turtle Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

### **Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Terrestrial Mammal (other than bats) Species**

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Terrestrial Mammal (other than bats) Species ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Terrestrial Mammal (other than bats) Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Terrestrial Mammal (other than bats) Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

### **Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Bat Species**

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Bat Species ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II Bat Species ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Bat Species, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

### **Questions on the development of new CMS Agreements relating to Fish**

1. In the current reporting period, has your country **initiated** the development of any CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, to address the needs of Appendix II Fish ?

No

2. In the current reporting period, has your country **participated** in the development of any new CMS Agreements, including Memoranda of Understanding, which address the conservation needs of Appendix II

Fish ?

No

4. Is the development of any CMS Agreement for Fish, including Memoranda of Understanding, planned by your country in the foreseeable future?

No

### 3. LISTING OF MIGRATORY SPECIES IN APPENDIX II

1. Is your country a Range State for any migratory species that has an unfavourable conservation status, but is not currently listed in Appendix II and could benefit from the conclusion of an Agreement for its conservation?

N.B.: States in which a species occurs as a vagrant (i.e. not "on its normal migration route") should not be treated as Range States. Please refer to Article 1 of the Convention for clarification.

Yes

If Yes, please provide details:

> Some seabird species: Alca torda, Rissa tridactyla, Uria lomvia & Uria aalge

1a. Is your country taking any steps to propose the listing of this/these species in Appendix II?

No

## IV. National and Regional Priorities

1. What priority does your country assign to the conservation and, where applicable, sustainable use of migratory species in comparison to other biodiversity-related issues

High

2. Are migratory species and their habitats addressed by your country's national biodiversity strategy or action plan?

Yes

2.1. If Yes, please indicate and briefly describe the extent to which it addresses the following issues:

Conservation, sustainable use and/or restoration of migratory species

> ISSAP on LWfG along flyway.

Conservation, sustainable use and/or restoration of the habitats of migratory species, including protected areas

> EU Life+ on LWfG.

Transboundary co-operation

> Bilateral agreements programmes and general aid programmes or Scientific collaboration. Eg Norway-India on establishment of biodiversity unit.

3. Does the conservation of migratory species currently feature in any other national or regional policies/plans (apart from CMS Agreements)

Yes

3.1. If Yes, please provide details:

> White Paper on National biodiversity strategy (2001), but under revision now.

Act on Biodiversity (2009) obliges all sectors to include biodiversity in their planning processes.

### 3a. Do these policies/plans cover the following areas?

Exploitation of natural resources (e.g. fisheries, hunting, etc.)

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> See para 3

Economic development

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> See para 3

Land-use planning

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> See para 3

Pollution control

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> See para 3

Designation and development of protected areas

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> Used as an indicator to identify areas.

Development of ecological networks

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> If species or habitats are listed by Emerald Network.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Overview Emerald Network Norway](#) - Program for EN in Norway

Planning of power lines

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> See para 3

Planning of fences

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> See para 3

Planning of dams

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> See para 3

Other

Yes

If Yes, please provide details

> See para 3

4. Results - please describe the positive outcomes of any actions taken

> Increased awareness and inclusion in all planning processes following the Act on Biodiversity.

## V. Protected Areas

1. Are migratory species taken into account in the selection, establishment and management of protected areas in your country?

Yes

If Yes, please provide details:

> Sites have been mapped for review and selection of important sites to build a national network. Most thematic programmes have been concluded, except for selection and establishment of marine protected areas which is ongoing.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Marine protection in Norway](#) - Overview processes

[Protected areas in Norway](#) - Overview processes

[Protected areas in Norway](#) - Government web pages

1a. Please identify the most important national sites for migratory species and their protection status:

> Please see Ramsar sites (63) below.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Ramsar RIS Norway](#) - Description of important sites for migratory species

### 1b. Do these protected areas cover the following areas?

Terrestrial

Yes

If Yes, please provide details and include the amount of protected areas coverage and the number of protected areas

> See para 1a

Aquatic

Yes

If Yes, please provide details and include the amount of protected areas coverage and the number of protected areas

> Se para 1a

Marine

Yes

If Yes, please provide details and include the amount of protected areas coverage and the number of protected areas

> See para 1a

1c. Identify the agency, department or organization responsible for leading on this action in your country:

> Norwegian Environment Agency

2. Results - please describe the positive outcomes of any actions taken

> Increased awareness and resources for management.

## VI. Policies on Satellite Telemetry

1. In the current reporting period, has your country undertaken conservation/research projects that use satellite telemetry?

Yes

If yes what is the state of those projects

on-going

Please provide details

> Numerous programmes for a range of species. From geese to carnivores.

2. Are any future conservation/research projects planned that will use satellite telemetry?

Yes

If Yes, please provide details (including the expected timeframe for these projects):

> Most likely.

3. Results - please describe the positive outcomes of any actions taken

> National guidelines and review Board comment on all programmes.

Benefit is much more and better information on movements.

## VII. Membership

1. Have actions been taken by your country to encourage non- Parties to join CMS and its related Agreements?

No

## VIII. Global and National Importance of CMS

1. Have actions been taken by your country to increase national, regional and/or global awareness of the relevance of CMS and its global importance in the context of biodiversity conservation?

Yes

If Yes, please provide details:

> Part of bilateral consultations in environmental programmes, including Norway's funding of EU's East European Environment Programme.

2. Identify the agency, department or organization responsible for leading on this action in your country:

> NORAD (aid agency) and Norwegian Environmental Agency

3. Results - please describe the positive outcomes of any actions taken

> Improved bureaucracy, legal framework, management policies, and concrete development etc.

## IX. Mobilization of Resources

1. Has your country made financial resources available for conservation activities having direct benefits for migratory species in your country?

Yes

If Yes, please provide details (Indicate the migratory species that have benefited from these activities):

> Donations to CMS Secretariat.

Most significant is the funding of LWfG work (cf AEWA).

2. Has your country made voluntary contributions to the CMS Trust Fund to support requests from developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No

3. Has your country made other voluntary financial contributions to support conservation activities having direct benefits for migratory species in other countries (particularly developing countries)?

No

4. Has your country provided technical and/or scientific assistance to developing countries to facilitate initiatives for the benefit of migratory species?

Yes

If Yes, please provide details (Indicate the migratory species that have benefited from these activities):

> Cf LWfG ISSAP and numerous activities in many countries along the flyway.

5. Has your country received financial assistance/support from the CMS Trust Fund, via the CMS Secretariat, for national conservation activities having direct benefits for migratory species in your country?

No

6. Has your country received financial assistance/support from sources other than the CMS Secretariat for conservation activities having direct benefit for migratory species in your country?

No

## X. Implementation of COP Resolutions and Recommendations

**Please provide information about measures undertaken by your country relating to recent Resolutions and Recommendations since the last Report. For your convenience please refer to the list of COP Resolutions and Recommendations listed below:**

### Resolutions

Bycatch (incl. Recommendation) (6.2 / 7.2 / 8.14 / 9.18 / 10.14)

> A study on national issues was completed in 2011.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Bycatch in Norwegian Fisheries](#) - Report

Electrocution of Migratory Birds (7.4 / 10.11)

> -

Migratory Species and Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (8.27 / 10.22)

> -

Marine Debris (10.4)

> Increased efforts to mitigate the issue, both nationally and through organisations like IMO, OSPAR and others.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Marine debris in Norway](#) - Report on knowledge basis

[Web pages on marine debris](#) - Environment authority web pages

[Marine pollution in general](#) - Government web pages

Poisoning Migratory Birds (10.26)

> -

Adverse Anthropogenic Impacts on Cetaceans and other Biota (8.22 / 9.19 / 10.24)

> -

Southern Hemisphere Albatross Conservation (6.3)

> -

Antarctic Minke, Bryde's and Pygmy Right Whales (7.15)

> -

Implementation of Existing Agreements and Development of Future Agreements (8.5)

> -

Concerted Actions for Appendix I Species (8.29)

> -

Concerted and Cooperative Actions (9.1 / 10.23)

> -

Priorities for CMS Agreements (9.2 / 10.16)

> -

Migratory Marine Species (9.9 / 10.15)

> -

Saker Falcon (9.20 / 10.28)

> -

Modus Operandi for Conservation Emergencies (10.2)

> -

Ecological Networks (10.3)

> Emerald Network being implemented in Norway. First >600 sites to be included in 2016.

Global Flyway Conservation (10.10)

> -

#### Migratory Freshwater Fish (10.12)

> -

#### Migratory Landbirds in the African Eurasian Region (10.27)

> -

#### Cooperation with Other Bodies and Processes (7.9)

> -

#### CMS Strategic Plan 2006-2011 (8.2)

> Contribution in workshops and commenting on drafts.

#### Contribution of CMS in Achieving the 2010 Biodiversity Target (8.7)

> National actions in line With CBD objectives.

Report on the value of ecosystem services.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

Ecosystem services - The value of ecosystem services and how to consider these

#### Synergies and Partnerships / Cooperation with other Conventions (8.11 / 9.11 / 10.21)

> -

#### National Reports for the Eighth and Ninth Meetings of the Conference of the Parties (8.24)

> Completed.

#### CMS Information Priorities (9.3)

> -

#### Outreach and Communication Issues (9.5 / 10.7)

> -

#### Capacity Building Strategy (9.12 / 10.6)

> -

#### Financial and Administrative Matters and Terms of Reference for the Administration of the Trust Fund (10.1)

> -

#### Future strategies of the CMS Family / "Future Shape" (10.9)

> Contribution in workshops and to draft texts.

### **Recommendations**

Recommendation 7.6 - Improving the Conservation Status of the Leatherback Turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*)

> -

Recommendation 8.17 - Marine Turtles

> -

Recommendation 9.1 - Central Eurasian Aridland Mammals

> -

Recommendation 9.2 - Sahelo-Saharan Megafauna

> -

Recommendation 9.3 - Tigers and other Asian Big Cats

> -

Recommendation 9.5 - Cooperative Action for the Elephant (*Loxodonta africana*) in Central Africa

> -

## Annex: Updating Data on Appendix II Species

1. The drop-down lists below contain the list of all species listed in Appendix II. New Parties which have acceded since COP10 in 2011 and Parties which did not submit a National Report in time in 2011 are requested to complete the entire form.

Parties that did submit a timely report in 2011 are requested to review and update the data (e.g. new published distribution references and details concerning species added to Appendix II at COP9 and COP10).

### Falconiformes

#### Cathartidae. spp

Please choose the one that applies.

Not a Range State

#### Pandion haliaetus

Please choose the one that applies.

Range State

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Birds of prey in Norway](#) - Overview

#### Accipitridae spp

Please choose the one that applies.

Range State

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Birds of prey in Norway](#) - Overview

#### Falconidae spp

Please choose the one that applies.

Range State

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[Birds of prey in Norway](#) - Overview

### Charadriiformes

#### Sterna hirundo hirundo (Populations breeding in the W Palaearctic)

Please choose the one that applies.

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

[SEAPOP monitoring and studies](#) - Report and articles on seabird ecology