



Joint Meeting on IKB

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WORKPLAN 2026-2030 FOR THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE ON ILLEGAL KILLING, TAKING AND TRADE OF MIGRATORY BIRDS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN (MIKT) (DRAFT)

Summary:

The draft MIKT Workplan 2026-2030 is based on the Rome Strategic Plan 2020-2030 and the conclusions and recommendations of the mid-term assessment of the Rome Strategic Plan.



The European Union was recognized as Champion Plus for their generous support and commitment towards addressing Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds in the Mediterranean for the period 2015 - 2028.



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Introduction

The [Rome Strategic Plan 2020-2030: *Eradicating Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade in Wild Birds in Europe and the Mediterranean region*](#) (RSP) is the strategic framework for the work of MIKT from 2020-2030. It was adopted by the Bern Convention Standing Committee in December 2019, was adopted by MIKT members through an online consultation process in early 2020.

The RSP is structured around one process-oriented objective and five result-oriented objectives, which are:

Process Oriented objective: National IKB Action Plans

Result Oriented objectives:

No. 1: To understand the scope, scale and motivations behind illegal killing, taking and trade of birds;

No. 2: To establish an active prevention of the illegal killing, taking and trade of birds;

No. 3: To ensure that the illegal killing of birds is addressed effectively and efficiently in national legislation;

No. 4: To ensure that effective and efficient enforcement of relevant legislation is undertaken;

No. 5: To ensure effective and efficient justice for IKB-related offences.

In 2025, the CMS Secretariat commissioned a mid-term assessment of the Rome Strategic Plan ([UNEP/CMS/MIKT7/Doc.3](#)) which was carried out end of 2025 to early 2026.

Introduction to the MIKT Workplan 2026-2030

The first MIKT Workplan under the RSP was adopted in 2021 and [covered the period 2021-2025](#). The conclusions and recommendations of the mid-term assessment mentioned above have been integrated in the draft workplan for the period 2026-2030, i.e. the end of the RSP.

The MIKT Workplan 2026-2030 is split in two parts, the first part focuses primarily on actions that are led by the CMS Secretariat and the MIKT Coordinator or where the CMS Secretariat and the MIKT Coordinator need to play a major role, in collaboration with the Bern Convention Secretariat and some key MIKT members. The second part carries over the RSP Objectives and actions that address the MIKT members, observers, and key stakeholders. The CMS Secretariat is mostly in a supporting role in the second part.

The MIKT Workplan 2026-2030 is presented in draft form in the MIKT7 meeting (22 October 2026) and members and observers will have time to send comments and observations to the MIKT Workplan until 31 January 2027.

ACRONYMS

BLI	BirdLife International
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CMS	Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals
EU	European Union
EC	European Commission
Europol	European Police Office
EUFJE	EU Forum of Judges for the Environment
ENPE	European Network of Prosecutors for the Environment
FACE	European Federation of Associations for Hunting and Conservation
IKB	Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds
ITB	Illegal Taking of Migratory Birds
IMPEL	European Union Network for the Implementation and Enforcement of Environmental Law
INTERPOL	International Criminal Police Organization
MIKT	Intergovernmental Task Force on Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds in the Mediterranean
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
N/A	Not applicable
NAP	National Action Plan
NBSAP	National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plan
RSP	Rome Strategic Plan
WCA	Wildlife Crime Academy

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Actions for CMS Secretariat and MIKT Coordinator

Action number	Action	Indicator of success	In collaboration with	Relevant MIKT members and observers	Timeline
Joint Meetings on IKB					
1.a	Organise Joint Meeting on IKB-online	Meeting report, documents and presentations	Bern Convention Secretariat	ALL	Oct 2026
1.b	Organise Joint Meeting on IKB – in person	Meeting report, documents and presentations	Ministry of Environment, Croatia and Bern Convention Secretariat	ALL	1 st half 2027
1.c	Organise Joint Meeting on IKB-online	Meeting report, documents and presentations	Bern Convention Secretariat	ALL	2028
1.d	Organise Joint Meeting on IKB- in person	Meeting report, documents and presentations	Host country and Bern Convention Secretariat	ALL	By 2029
1.e	Organise Joint Meeting on IKB-online	Meeting report, documents and presentations	Bern Convention Secretariat	ALL	By 2030
Scoreboard exercises					
2.a	Organise Scoreboard exercise 2026	Analysis of Scoreboard results and presentation to CMS COP	Bern Convention Secretariat	ALL members	By end 2026

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2.b	Organise Scoreboard exercise 2029	Analysis of Scoreboard results and presentation to CMS COP	Bern Convention Secretariat	ALL members	By end 2029
Evaluation of Rome Strategic Plan					
3.a	Organise mid-term evaluation of Rome Strategic Plan	Mid-term assessment report and recommendations	Bern Convention Secretariat and MIKT countries and stakeholders	ALL	By July 2026
3.b	Organise final evaluation of Rome Strategic Plan	Final assessment report and recommendations	Bern Convention Secretariat and MIKT countries and stakeholders	ALL	By 2031
Situation Analysis					
4.a	Situation analysis for Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Italy and Libya		With collaboration of MIKT members in Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Italy and Libya, relevant MEAs and Stakeholders	Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Italy and Libya	By 2027
Fundraising opportunities					
5.a	Fundraising strategy for MIKT Coordinator and MIKT Workplan 2026-2030 and beyond	MIKT Coordinator position funded until end of RSP and funding available for meetings, workshops and activities	CMS Secretariat, MIKT Coordinator with MIKT Consultative Group	ALL	By 2027
5.b	Liaising with donors for supporting identified gaps		CMS Secretariat		Ongoing

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CMS COP16					
6.	COP16: contribute to papers & organise side events for COP16 promoting the work of MIKT	Reporting on COP15 Decisions: 15.135-15.137	MIKT members and NGO Partners	ALL	By 2029
Workshops and meetings					
7.a (RSP Objective National Action Plans)	Organise meeting on National Action Plans for North African countries	Meeting report Action plans from countries	MIKT members and experts from North African countries and NGOs	Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco and Tunisia and NGO experts	By Oct 2026
7.b (RSP Objective 5-Effective Justice)	Organise meeting for Prosecutors for the Environment	Meeting organised	Wildlife Crime Academy	Prosecutors from MIKT members	2027
7.c (RSP Objective National Action Plans)	Organise a meeting on National Action Plans to target MIKT Middle east countries	Meeting organised	MIKT members and experts from Middle East countries	Middle East countries and NGO experts	2030?

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Producing Guidance					
8. a (RSP Objective 2-Prevention)	Provide best practice guidance on how to implement activities aimed at preventing IKB and addressing identified motivations for IKB Guidance to include among other information and proposals on alternative livelihoods, education and awareness raising activities, ways of engaging with different stakeholder groups, etc)	Guidance produced	Bern Convention European Commission	MIKT members and NGO observers	2028?
Engaging with other ITB Task Forces					
9.a (Objective 2- Prevention)	Contribute and participate as appropriate to other CMS Task Forces on Illegal Taking of Birds				Ongoing
9.b (Objective 2-Prevention)	Contribute to and follow work of Global Initiative on Taking of Migratory Species (GTI)	MIKT experience contributes to GTI works, MIKT recognised	GTI coordinator	CMS Secretariat MIKT Coordinator	Ongoing

Rome Strategic Plan objectives and actions relevant to MIKT Workplan 2026-2030: Actions for MIKT members, relevant stakeholders and CMS Secretariat (MIKT Coordinator)

RSP Objective and action number	Action	Indicator of success	Responsible bodies	In collaboration with	Timeline
National IKB Action Plans					
IKB NAP 1.a	Where Members assess that IKB NAPs are necessary, develop and adopt National IKB NAP, including a mechanism for their implementation	All members covered by either an IKB NAP or a relevant policy document	MIKT Members who do not have IKB NAPs but assess they need them	Relevant stakeholders, CMS Secretariat	By 2027
IKB NAP 1.b	If NAPs assessed as not necessary, develop and adopt other relevant document, implementation tools or mechanisms which include actions to address IKB	All members covered by either an IKB NAP or a relevant policy document	MIKT Members who do not need an IKB NAP but another relevant document	Relevant stakeholders, CMS Secretariat	By 2027
IKB NAP 1.c	Organise national workshops to support development and implementation of National Action Plans, where needed	Number of workshops Number of MIKT members that have adopted an IKB NAP or relevant document in relation to those that assess they need one	MIKT Members who do not have IKB NAPs but assess they need an IKB NAP or a relevant document	Relevant stakeholders, CMS Secretariat MIKT coordinator	By 2028
IKB NAP 1.d	Ensure IKB NAPs or other relevant documents, tools or mechanisms for tackling IKB are integrated into other mechanisms and policies, such as National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans (NBSAPs)	National CMS reports Scoreboard reporting	MIKT Member national authorities and respective national stakeholders	Relevant stakeholders, CMS Secretariat MIKT coordinator	By 2030

RSP Objective	Action	Indicator of success	Responsible bodies	In collaboration with	Timeline
Objective 1: Understand scope, scale and motivations of IKB		RSP Target 1.1: The scale and scope of IKB is fully understood in each country covered by the scope of the Rome Strategic Plan and monitored regularly			
Obj.1.1.a	Establish a Baseline, for assessing progress towards achieving the target of the Rome Strategic Plan.	Number of countries with agreed baseline in collaboration with stakeholders	MIKT country representatives	Relevant national stakeholders, like BirdLife International, FACE, Euronatur, others	(initial date 2020) 2027
Obj.1.1.b	Agree on a methodology. for assessing progress towards achieving the target of the Rome Strategic Plan and establish a system for monitoring IKB.	Number of countries which, in collaboration with stakeholders, have established a systematic and repeatable monitoring system	MIKT country representatives	Relevant national stakeholders, like BirdLife International, FACE, Euronatur, others	(initial date 2020) 2027
Obj.1.1.c	Identify and map IKB hotspots	Number of countries where hotspots identified and mapped, in collaboration with stakeholders	MIKT country representatives	Relevant national stakeholders	(initial date 2024) 2027
Obj.1.1.d	Complete Scoreboard taking into account results from monitoring and relevant research studies from the region	Number of countries that complete the Scoreboard in 2026 & 2029 Number of countries that submit Scoreboard agreed with national stakeholders	MIKT country representatives	Relevant national stakeholders	2026 & 2029

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Obj.1.1.e	Promote information sharing among MIKT countries through a Pan-Mediterranean portal/database/website (Knowledge Management Portal) for the exchange of information related to IKB (species and numbers affected, methods used, hotspots, penalties and sanctions) at pan-Mediterranean level.	Creation of the portal	CMS Secretariat and MIKT national authorities	Bern Convention and other relevant stakeholders	2030
Objective 1: Understand scope, scale and motivations of IKB		RSP Target 1.2: The motivations behind the illegal killing of birds are fully understood in each country covered by the scope of the Strategic Plan and action to address these drivers is included in the national action plan and implemented			
Obj.1.2.a	Complete national surveys on the motivations behind IKB for the countries with greatest needs, further refining understanding of IKB motivations	Number of countries with national surveys carried out and publication of results	MIKT country representatives and relevant Stakeholders	Support by CMS Secretariat, as appropriate	
Obj.1.2.b	Include recommendations to address the identified motivations in National Action Plans.	Number of countries with actions related to addressing IKB Motivations in National Action Plans or relevant policy documents	MIKT country representatives and relevant Stakeholders	Support by CMS Secretariat, as appropriate	

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Objective 2: To establish an active prevention of the illegal killing, taking and trade of wild birds		RSP Target 2.1 General public recognises IKB and its negative impacts			
Obj.2.1. a	Provide best practice guidance on how to implement activities aimed at preventing IKB and addressing identified motivations for IKB Guidance to include among other information and proposals on alternative livelihoods, education and awareness raising activities, ways of engaging with different stakeholder groups, etc)	Guidance provided. Guidance to include among other information and proposals on alternative livelihoods, education and awareness raising activities, ways of engaging with different stakeholder groups, etc)	CMS Secretariat	National authorities and relevant stakeholders	2028?
Obj.2.1. b	Organize and run regional workshops for national authorities and, when appropriate, other stakeholders on best outreach practices for preventing IKB, based on the best practice and aiming at raising awareness	Number of workshops organised Percentage of countries with high levels of IKB participating in the workshops	Specialised stakeholders or experts	CMS Secretariat, MIKT National Authorities and relevant stakeholders	
Obj.2.1. c	Ensure regular presence in multilateral fora, including side events and other events in relevant conferences and meetings	Number of side events organised, number of meetings attended	CMS Secretariat, and MIKT national authorities and other stakeholders		Ongoing
Obj.2.1. d	Present overarching basic information on IKB, including relevant materials provided by countries and stakeholders, on official country and organisation websites	Clear and updated information on official websites about IKB	CMS Secretariat, national authorities and other stakeholders as appropriate		Ongoing

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Obj.2.1. e	Encourage MIKT Members to develop and implement, in collaboration with national stakeholders, national communication strategies to prevent IKB and address motivations for IKB, targeting the general public and in particular relevant national and local stakeholders	Number of countries with national strategies to prevent and address IKB Motivations Number of countries with communication strategies Amount of funding dedicated to communication strategies	National authorities, private sector and relevant stakeholders as appropriate		Ongoing
Obj.2.1. f	Develop and implement a large-scale awareness raising effort on IKB throughout the geographic scope of MIKT and the Bern Convention network	Countries participating Countries participating with IKB Hotspots	National authorities, private sector and relevant stakeholders as appropriate	CMS Secretariat, Bern Convention Secretariat	2030
Obj.2.1. g	Support raising of funds to enhance capacities in countries where IKB is a problem to organise awareness raising activities	Amounts raised	CMS Secretariat, National Authorities, relevant stakeholders as appropriate		

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Objective 2: To establish an active prevention of the illegal killing, taking and trade of wild birds		RSP Target 2.2 Local and other relevant communities are engaged in and benefit from wildlife conservation			
Obj.2.2. a	Engage with members of local and other relevant communities, key actors and leaders, local educators and youth to educate and raise awareness and, mobilise support against IKB	<p>Measurable increase, as determined by surveys, at least in hotspot areas, of IKB awareness, why it should be eradicated, and increased support for its eradication</p> <p>Percentage increase of sustainable and alternative livelihoods</p> <p>Number of established regular consultation processes involving representatives of all interested categories</p> <p>Number of countries where the planned activities are the result of consensus reached between local and relevant communities, stakeholders and national authorities</p> <p>Communications by hunting organisations condemning IKB</p>	MIKT national authorities	CMS Secretariat and other national stakeholders	Ongoing
Obj.2.2. b	Support the development of activities aimed at tackling IKB but also supporting alternative livelihoods and community resilience (e.g. eco-tourism, sustainable food production etc.)	<p>Amount raised by fundraising activities or provided through other funding mechanisms</p> <p>Amount raised for activities in countries with IKB hotspots</p>	MIKT National and local authorities	CMS Secretariat and relevant stakeholders	

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Obj.2.2. c	Support the raising of funds for measures and activities for tackling IKB while ensuring community resilience	Amount raised by fundraising activities or provided through other funding mechanisms Amount raised for activities in countries with IKB hotspots	MIKT National and local authorities	CMS Secretariat and relevant stakeholders	
Objective 2: To establish an active prevention of the illegal killing, taking and trade of wild birds		RSP Target 2.3. Use of cutting edge technology is promoted, where appropriate, to address key technical limitations hindering eradication of IKB			
Obj.2.3. a	MIKT members are encouraged to support raising of funds to obtain or provide necessary resources for the adoption and use of relevant technology and innovative solutions	Amount of funds raised Types of technology adopted	MIKT national and local authorities	CMS Secretariat and other stakeholders as appropriate	Ongoing
Obj.2.3. b	Develop, maintain and update a centralised online database shared with all range states listing species/sub-species that can be legally hunted within each range state / regions, hunting quotas and the period during which such hunting may be allowed		CMS Secretariat, MIKT national authorities and relevant stakeholders		Ongoing

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Objective 3: To ensure that the illegal killing of birds is addressed effectively and efficiently in national legislation		RSP Target 3.1 All countries have appropriate national legislation in place and enacted to address IKB			
Obj.3.1. a	Develop and revise national legislation, and report on progress made as necessary	<p>Percentage of countries covered by appropriate legislation</p> <p>Degree to which legislation responds to the targets established by the Rome Strategic Plan</p> <p>The extent to which national legislation in place is comprehensive and effectively combats IKB</p>	MIKT National Authorities	Relevant stakeholders	Ongoing
Obj.3.1. b	Support MIKT countries in need of guidance to review their national legislation, as requested	<p>Percentage of countries covered by appropriate legislation</p> <p>Degree to which legislation responds to the targets established by the Rome Strategic Plan</p> <p>The extent to which national legislation in place is comprehensive and effectively combats IKB</p>	CMS Secretariat and relevant stakeholders	Stakeholders such as ENPE, IMPEL, EUFJE, Europol	Ongoing

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Objective 4: To ensure that effective and efficient enforcement of relevant legislation is undertaken		RSP Target 4.1 IKB is afforded appropriate and proportionate enforcement priority at the national, regional and local level			
Obj.4.1. a	Organise specialised training for compliance assurance and enforcement personnel to raise capacity on IKB issues. Addressed to inspectors, police officers, prosecutors, judges, as appropriate	Number of trainings organised	MIKT National Authorities	Stakeholders such as ENPE, IMPEL, EUFJE, Europol, WCA	
Obj.4.1. b	Develop specialised enforcement units for dealing with wildlife crime	Countries with specialised enforcement units	MIKT National Authorities	Stakeholders such as WCA	
Objective 4: To ensure that effective and efficient enforcement of relevant legislation is undertaken		RSP Target 4.2 Support is provided to facilitate effective implementation of inspection, surveillance, detection, investigation, prosecution and application of sanctions for IKB incidents by the designated law enforcement agencies			
Obj.4.2. a	Ensure that specialist support, including specific information and materials for raising awareness is available to relevant enforcement agencies and police officers, particularly those operating in hotspot areas	IKB-related issues figure prominently as part of trainings on combating wildlife crime: Resources assigned to detection, investigation and prosecution for enforcement agencies IKB Considered and prioritised as appropriate by law enforcement work programmes Institutional coordination and cooperation is improved	MIKT national authorities	National and international stakeholders	

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Obj.4.2. b	b) Support the development of an exchange programme for countries to facilitate exchange of compliance assurance and enforcement expertise, training for inspectors, police and customs officers and other enforcement personnel. (Cross reference with Obj. 5.3.b)	Funds raised for such a programme Programme outline, coordinators Number of agencies engaged/participating Number of queries/requests for support Number of trainings Institutional coordination and cooperation strengthened and is improved	MIKT national authorities	National and international stakeholders, like ENPE, IMPEL, Europol, WCA and others	
Obj.4.2. c	Ensure a sufficient number of specialised staff and appropriate resources for investigation, detection and field control, as well as necropsies, other forensic analysis and related activities	Resources assigned to detection, investigation and prosecution for enforcement agencies	MIKT national enforcement authorities, especially in countries with IKB hotspots, with support from other stakeholders such as INTERPOL and especially organizations engaged in on-site IKB monitoring and online investigation		

<p>Obj.4.2. d</p>	<p>Where they consider it appropriate and necessary enforcement agencies to:</p> <p>I. Survey inspection, surveillance and active detection of IKB including regular patrolling and monitoring at known hotspots, markets, internet, etc.</p> <p>II. Ensure prompt and effective investigation of all incidences of IKB detected or reported to authorities</p> <p>III. Take necessary measures to ensure that IKB is punishable by effective, proportionate and dissuasive sanctions/transmit case promptly for prosecution in accordance with the law</p> <p>IV. Maintain records of all incidences of IKB detected or reported, response of authorities and action resulting from investigation in a national database (Cross reference to Obj. 5.4.a)</p>	<p>i. Percentage of enforcement personnel deployed within the law enforcement agencies dealing with IKB that has undergone appropriate specialised training on IKB-related issues</p> <p>ii. Ratio of investigated IKB incidents compared to detected/reported incidents</p> <p>vii. Ratio of total detected IKB incidences compared to those detected thanks to work of enforcement authorities</p> <p>iii. Ratio of seizures by authorities including at ports and along the borderline compared to enforcement effort (officer hours)</p> <p>iv. Average time to investigate following a detection/report of IKB</p> <p>v. Percentage of detected/reported incidents punished by effective, proportionate and dissuasive sanctions in accordance with law or transmitted for prosecution</p> <p>vi. Percentage of detected/reported incidences of IKB recorded in a national database, response of</p>	<p>MIKT national enforcement authorities, especially in countries with IKB hotspots</p>	<p>With support from other stakeholders such as INTERPOL and especially organizations engaged in on-site IKB investigation such as WCA</p>	
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		authorities and action resulting from investigation vii. Resources assigned to detection investigation and prosecution Existence of formal structures and committees for consultations / meetings at the national / international level			

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Objective 5: To ensure effective and efficient justice for IKB-related offences		RSP Target 5.1 The average period for initiation and conclusion of administrative and criminal court proceedings in IKB cases is reduced			
Obj.5.1. a	Promote IKB cases as important court cases that need to be dealt with as priority, aiming among other for the reduction of the average length of administrative and criminal court proceedings in IKB cases.	<p>Prioritisation in IKB proceedings is strengthened, especially in countries with hotspots</p> <p>Reduction of average length of court case especially in countries with hotspots</p> <p>ii. Number/percentage of criminal and administrative proceedings (excluding appeals) in IKB cases that are concluded within one year from initiation has increased.</p>	CMS Secretariat	International legal experts and with support of MIKT national authorities	

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Objective 5: To ensure effective and efficient justice for IKB-related offences		RSP Target 5.2 All criminal or administrative proceedings in IKB cases where conviction is achieved result in imposition of penalties that are in line with sentencing guidelines			
Obj.5.2. a	Adopt national sentencing guidelines for IKB cases (where the National Criminal Code does not contain the judicial requirements related to IKB cases)	<p>Sentencing Guidelines, which include gravity factors developed and influence effective prosecution and sentencing</p> <p>i. Number/ percentage of proceedings penalties and sanctions resulting in imposition of penalties that are appropriate and proportionate having regard to relevant guidance.</p> <p>ii. Average fine sentenced for IKB offences</p> <p>iii. Average jail time sentenced for IKB offences</p> <p>iv. Severity of penalties has increased in countries with standards below the sentencing guidelines</p>	MIKT national authorities	CMS Secretariat	
Obj.5.2. b	Include sentencing guidelines for IKB in training activities or materials at national level for justice officials and prosecutors, including information on successful prosecutions and convictions	Sentencing guidelines figure prominently as part of trainings on combating wildlife crime	MIKT national authorities	CMS Secretariat and other relevant stakeholders EUFJE, ENPE, and other international and national stakeholders	

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Objective 5: To ensure effective and efficient justice for IKB-related offences		RSP Target 5.3. A core group of prosecutors and judges (who deal with wildlife crime) have received training in IKB related aspects (50% of judges and prosecutors who deal with wildlife crime within the country by 2025			
Obj.5.3. a	Organise training sessions and capacity building for the specialization of prosecutors and judges as started under the MIKT POW 2016-2020, complementing the trainings on IKB organized by the European Commission, ENPE and other organizations Include training on sentencing guidelines and sanctions.	Percentage of judges and prosecutors who deal with wildlife crime that have received the training within a country	MIKT national authorities	CMS Secretariat and other relevant stakeholders EUFJE, ENPE, and other international and national stakeholders	
Obj.5.3. b	Support the development of a programme of support for countries which will facilitate exchange of experience sharing and capacity building training for prosecutors and judges, involved in IKB, including support the raising of funds for such a programme. (Cross reference with Action 4.2.b)	Funds raised for such a programme Programme outline, coordinators Number of judges / prosecutors engaged/participating Number of queries/requests for support Number of trainings Institutional coordination and cooperation strengthened and is improved	MIKT National authorities	CMS Secretariat, Interpol, Europol EUFJE, ENPE, IMPEL, WCA and other international and national partners	

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Objective 5: To ensure effective and efficient justice for IKB-related offences		RSP Target 5.4 Information on judicial processes and sentencing statistics is publicly available in all countries			
Obj.5.4. a	Establish, maintain and update a national database or appropriate register, where information on prosecution and sentences/sanctions applied in the case of IKB-related criminal or administrative proceedings in accordance with national law is recorded.	<p>Relevant elements of sentencing guidelines referenced and publicly available</p> <p>i. Percentage of increase of judicial processes, sentencing and case law that the public can access</p> <p>ii. Relevant elements of sentencing guidelines referenced and publicly available in documentation for all proceedings on IKB-cases.</p> <p>iii. Information on the database is publicly available, as well as the documentation for all proceedings on IKB-cases</p>	MIKT National authorities	CMS Secretariat, Interpol, Europol, EUFJE, ENPE, IMPEL, WCA and other international and national partners	