



Joint Meeting of Bern Convention SFPs and CMS MIKT on Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Wild Birds

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13-15 May 2025, Bonn, Germany

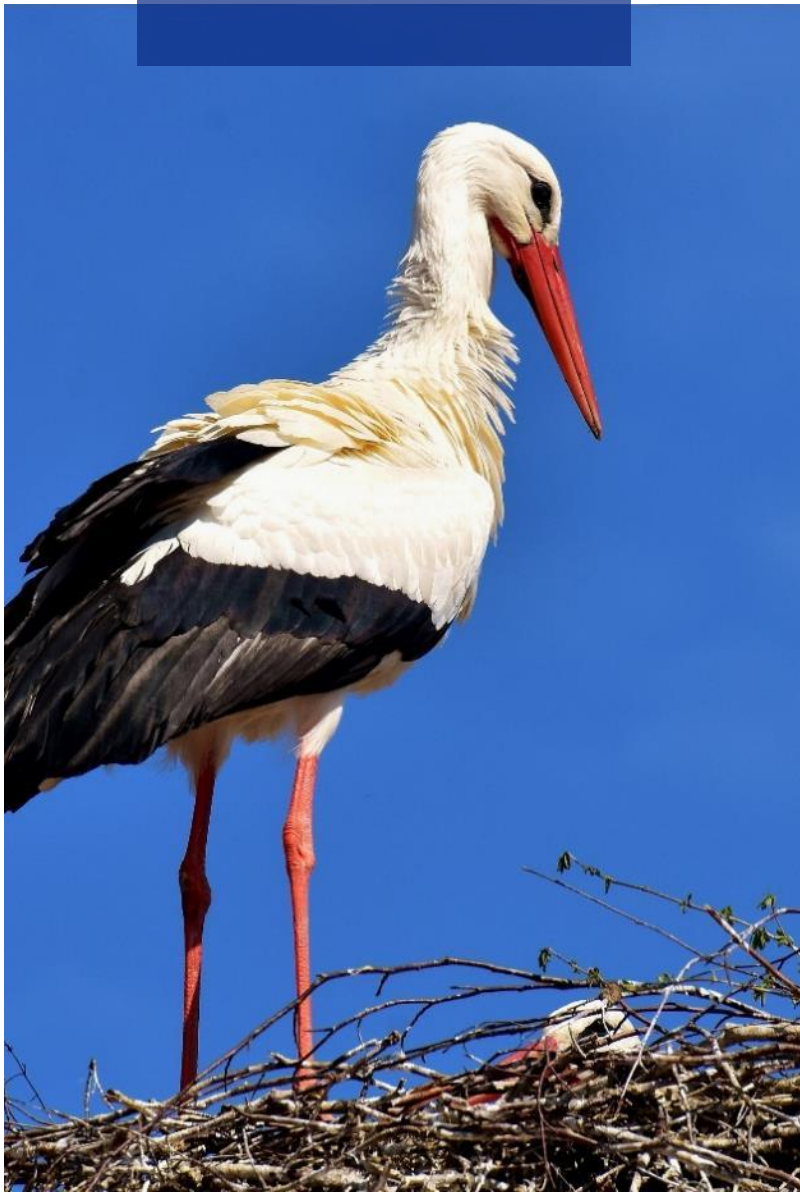


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IKB in the
Mediterranean: CMS
MIKT report and Rome
Strategic Plan priorities





Rome Strategic Plan Implementation


- Focusing on actions led or implemented by CMS Secretariat MIKT



- Activities 2022-now
- Work programme and upcoming activities

Resolution 11.16 (Rev. COP14)



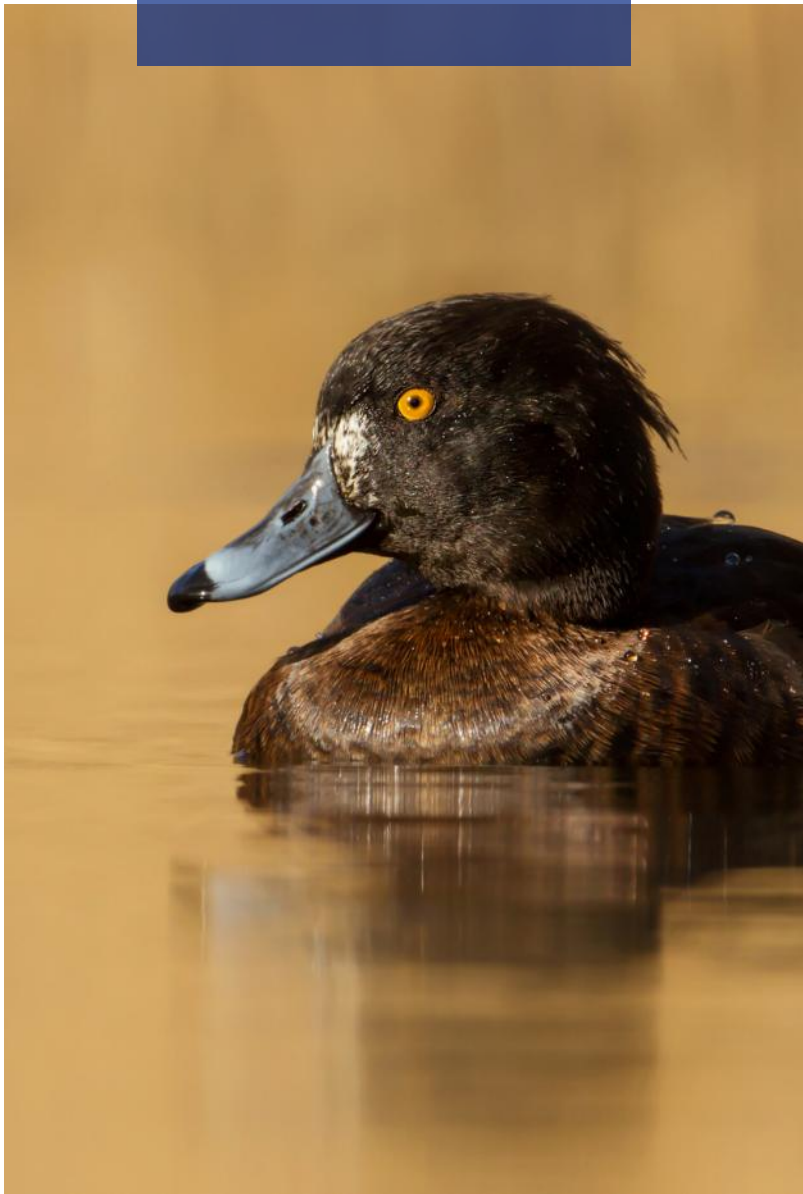
**CONVENTION ON
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UNEP/CMS/Resolution 11.16 (Rev.COP14)
Original: English

**THE PREVENTION OF ILLEGAL KILLING, TAKING AND TRADE OF MIGRATORY
BIRDS**

Adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its 14th Meeting (Samarkand, February 2024)

- Includes now a clear mention of the **Rome Strategic Plan** and an encouragement to Secretariat, Parties, NGOs and other stakeholders to support its implementation
- **Acknowledges** the work in developing and using the **Scoreboard**
- Requests the Task Force to collect the experience from the use of the **Scoreboard** and submit **proposal for amendment at CMS Standing Committee**



Working Jointly with the Bern Convention



Since 2017 MIKT meets jointly with the Bern Convention Special Focal Points on Eradication of Illegal Killing, Trapping and Trade in Wild Birds

Geographic Scope: Mediterranean and Europe (Bern Convention reach)



Thus the long name!

- *Joint Meeting of the Bern Convention Network of Special Focal Points on Eradication of Illegal Killing, Trapping and Trade in Wild Birds and the CMS Intergovernmental Task Force on Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds in the Mediterranean*

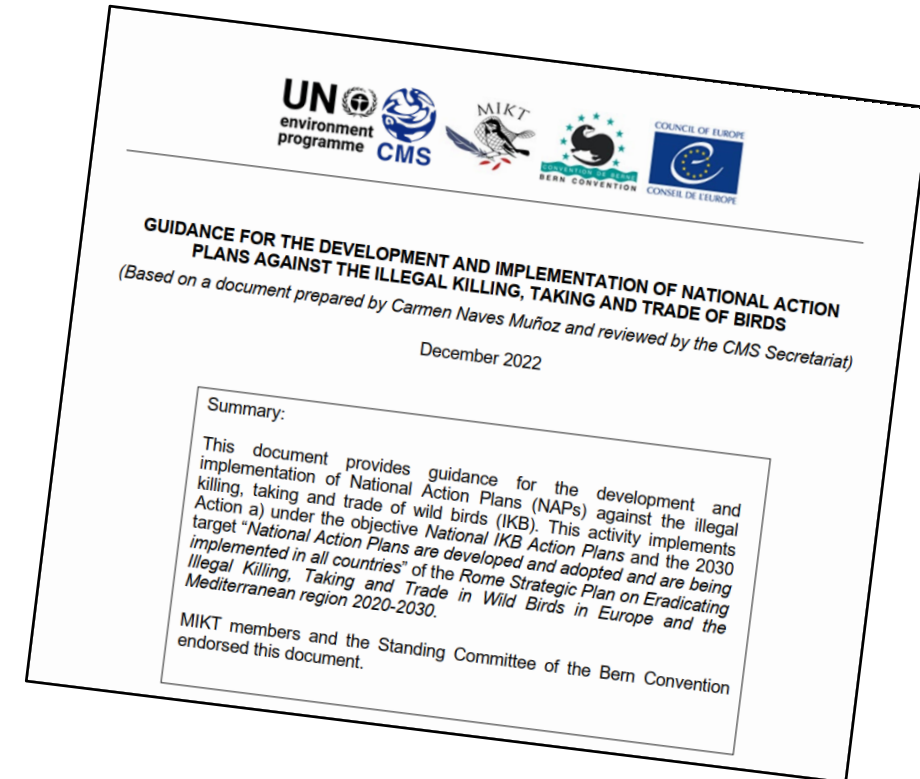
Meetings of the MIKT Task Force (Joint Meetings with Bern Convention)



- Joint Meeting IKB (5th MIKT Meeting), 7-9 June 2022, Valencia, Spain
- Joint Meeting IKB (6th MIKT Meeting), 13-15 May 2025, Bonn, Germany

National Action Plans- Guidance

- Guidance for Development and Implementation of National Action Plans endorsed December 2022



National Action Plans-Regional Workshop, Balkans

2-4 September 2024, Podgorica, Montenegro (agenda item 12)



Scoreboard 2023

- The CMS Secretariat in collaboration with Bern Convention organized the Scoreboard 2023 exercise
- 25 countries reported
- Updated analysis presented at Joint Meeting (Agenda point 8)

UNEP/CMS/Resolution 11.16 (Rev.COP13)/Annex 1



Annex 1 to Resolution 11.16 (Rev.COP13)

Scoreboard to assess the progress in combating illegal killing, taking and trade of wild birds (IKB)

A self-assessment framework for national use

17 July 2017

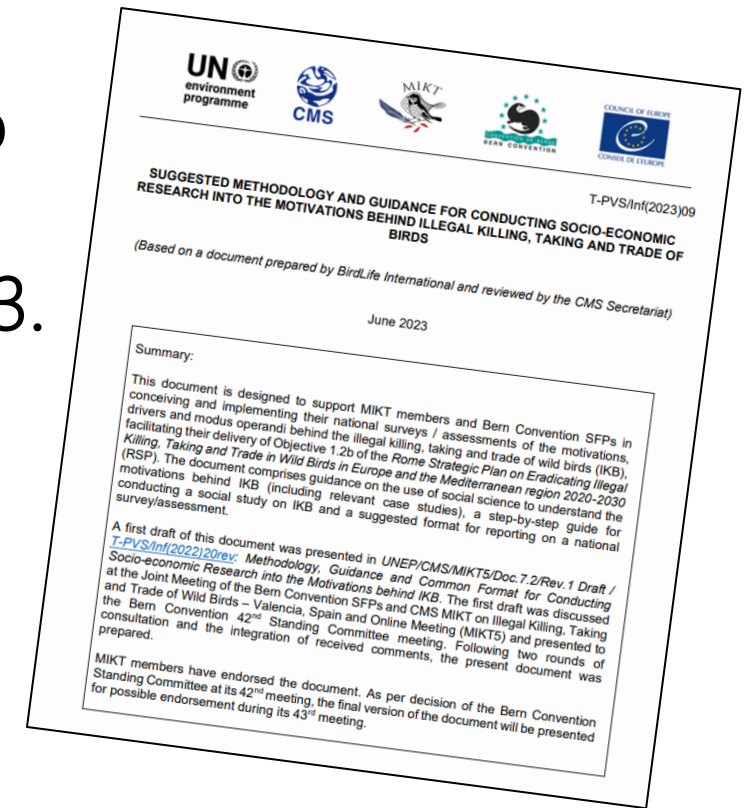
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IKB Motivations

- Suggested Methodology and Guidance for Conducting Socio-Economic Research into the Motivations Behind IKB, endorsed June 2023.
- Survey on IKB Motivations MIKT countries 2025-2026
- Agenda point 14



EU Funding 2024-2028

- Coordinator
- Organisation of two MIKT meetings (2025, and 2027)
- Survey on IKB Motivations
- Two regional workshops on National Action Plans (2024 and 2025-2026)
- Support for mid-term assessment Rome Strategic Plan
- Outreach materials
- Workshop enforcers/prosecutors



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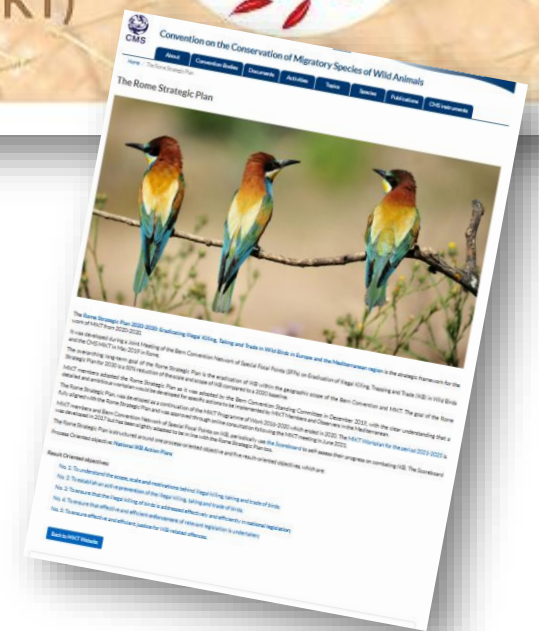
MIKT Website



Intergovernmental Task Force on Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds in the Mediterranean



- Website kept updated
- New pages dedicated to Rome Strategic Plan



Sharing the MIKT experience

- The MIKT Coordinator and the Head of CMS Secretariat Avian Team participated in a number of international meetings to share the MIKT experience
- Workshop for IKB in Lebanon, organized by UNEP Lebanon, May 2024, online
- Wildlife Crime Conference, May 2024, Cyprus
- Working Group Meeting on Illegal Taking of Migratory birds in South-West Asia, January 2024, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia



Workplan and priorities

Rome Strategic Plan 2020-2030

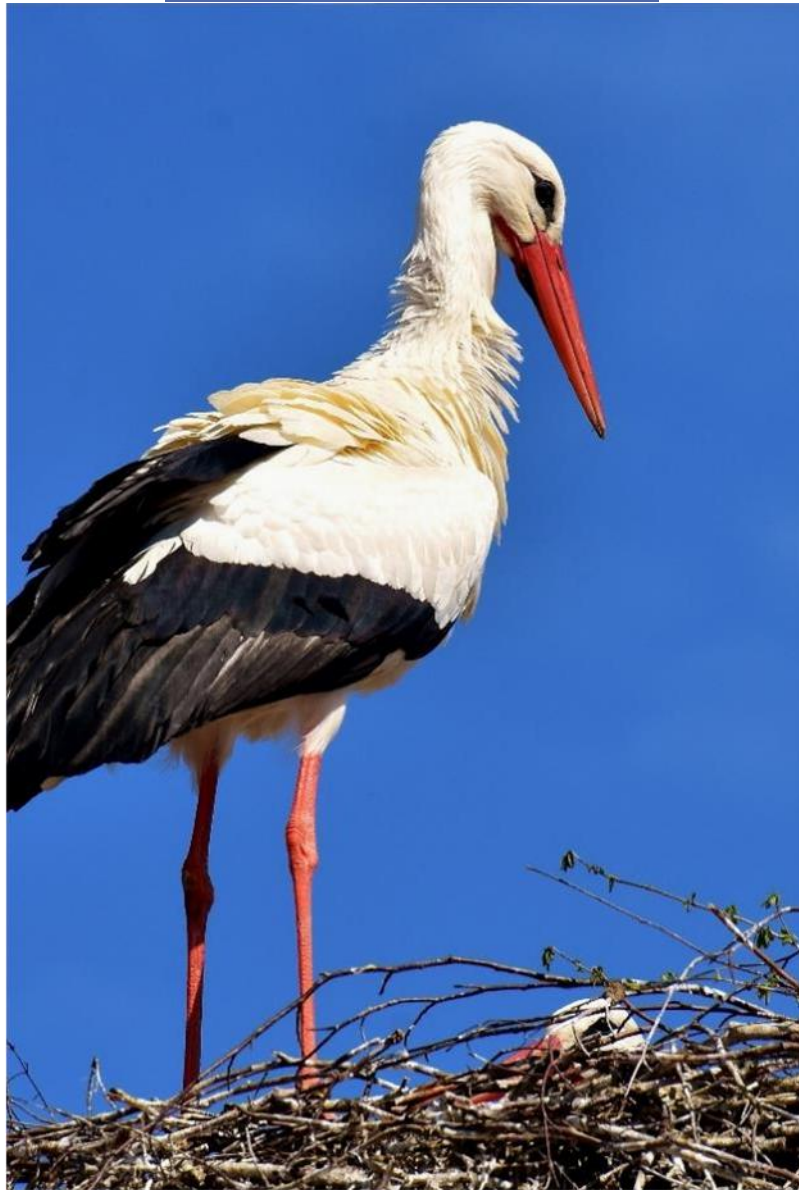
Overarching objective: National IKB Action Plans

1. To **understand** the extent **scale and scope** of IKB and the **motivations** behind illegal killing of birds
2. To establish and active **prevention** of the illegal killing of birds
3. To ensure that the illegal killing of birds is incorporated **effectively and efficiently** in **national legislation**
4. To ensure that **effective and efficient enforcement** of relevant legislation is undertaken
5. To ensure **effective and efficient justice** for IKB-related offences



2025

1. Joint Meeting on IKB, May 2025
2. Attending Level 1 – Wildlife Crime Academy
3. Mid-term assessment Rome Strategic Plan & MIKT Workplan 2026-2030
4. Survey on IKB Motivations
5. Preparations for CMS COP15
6. Outreach materials on IKB
7. Webinars on IKB/Legislation
8. National Action Plans-Regional Workshop (?)



2026

1. Survey on IKB Motivations-concludes
2. CMS COP15 (side event IKB motivations)
3. Mid-term assessment RSP & MIKT Workplan 2026-2030 (concludes)
4. Joint Meeting on IKB-online (theme?)
5. Scoreboard 2026
6. Outreach Materials
7. National Action Plans – Regional workshop



2027

1. Joint Meeting on IKB-in person (host?)
2. Workshop on enforcement / prosecution
3. Any other workshops – possible delays



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