

Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation of Migratory Birds of Prey in Africa and Eurasia

Proposal form to list species on Annex 1

Completed forms should be returned electronically to the Coordination Unit of the Raptors MOU at: cmsoffice.ae@cms.int. Please complete a separate form for each species proposed. Forms and accompanying documentation will be reviewed by the Raptors MOU Technical Advisory Group in advance of the Meeting of Signatories.

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Guidance for proposals

The Raptors MOU Text and the current list of Annex 1 species can be found here:
www.cms.int/raptors/en/page/agreement-text

Any proposed species to be included in Annex 1 should be (i) migratory, (ii) a bird of prey belonging to the order *Accipritiformes*, *Falconiformes* or *Strigiformes* and (iii) include at least one migratory population in Africa or Eurasia.

The Raptors MOU follows the definition of species as per Article I paragraph 1 (a) of the Convention on Migratory Species: "Migratory species" means the entire population or any geographically separate part of the population of any species or lower taxon of wild animals, a significant proportion of whose members cyclically and predictably cross one or more national jurisdictional boundaries).

CMS Resolution 13.7¹ provides further clarification on the interpretation of "migratory":

3. Decides that in the interpretation of the term "migratory species" in Article I, paragraph 1 (a) of the Convention:

- (i) The word "cyclically" in the phrase "cyclically and predictably" relates to a cycle of any nature, such as astronomical (circadian, annual etc.), life or climatic, and of any frequency;
- (ii) The word "predictably" in the phrase "cyclically and predictably" implies that a phenomenon can be anticipated to recur in a given set of circumstances, though not necessarily regularly in time;

¹ <https://www.cms.int/en/document/guidelines-preparing-and-assessing-proposals-amendment-cms-appendices-1>

Please confirm that the species proposed meets all of the criteria below:

1. It is a species of <i>Accipitriformes</i> , <i>Falconiformes</i> or <i>Strigiformes</i> recognised in the latest checklist of the Birds of the World provided at http://datazone.birdlife.org/species/taxonomy ² .	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. All or part of the species distribution is within Africa or Eurasia ³ .	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. It meets the CMS definition of “migratory species” as outlined above.	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. If this species has been proposed for addition to Annex 1 previously ⁴ and not accepted, please confirm that additional/new evidence is provided to support the case for listing.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Proposed species for addition to Annex 1

Species scientific name:		Species common name:	
<p>Justification for proposed listing: Justification of how the proposed species meets criteria 1-4 (specified above) should be provided in the box below. Please provide either in the justification box or as an attachment any supporting publication, report, map or other evidence for consideration (noting the key pages of relevance). Please note that where ringing, re-sighting or tracking data are provided as evidence, this should relate to wild hatched individuals. Such information from captive bred/reared and released individuals will not be considered eligible. Information from wild hatched individuals which have spent a short period in captivity for rehabilitation will be considered on a case-by-case basis.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 200px; margin-top: 10px;"></div>			

² The Raptors MOU follows CMS in using Del Hoyo, J. & Collar, N.J. (2016). *Handbook of the Birds of the World and BirdLife International Illustrated Checklist of the Birds of the World*. Volume 2: Passerines. Lynx Edicions, Barcelona and online updates as it’s taxonomic reference.

³ The geographic scope of the Raptors MOU can be viewed here: <https://www.cms.int/raptors/en/signatories-range-states>

⁴ See previous proposal documents prepared for the Meetings of Signatories e.g. www.cms.int/raptors/en/document/proposals-amendments-raptors-mou-andor-its-annexes-african-eurasian-migratory-birds-of-prey.