



AEWA LESSER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE  
INTERNATIONAL WORKING GROUP



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**2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the AEWA Lesser White-fronted Goose International Working Group**

9. - 11. November 2012, Lake Kerkini, Greece

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**ANNOTATED AGENDA**

**Dates:** Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> to Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> of November 2012

**Venue:** Villa Belles Hotel, Lake Kerkini, Greece

**Chair:** UNEP/AEWA Secretariat, new Chair to be elected

**Main Objectives:**

- Appoint a new Chair country for the Working Group;
- Take stock of the progress made and gaps remaining in the implementation of the LWfG International Single Species Action Plan based on the submitted national reports;
- Discuss a possible revision of the reporting format and provide feedback on the use of the new online reporting tool;
- Discuss and decide on the creation of a network of protected sites and a common monitoring scheme for the LWfG;
- Discuss the update and revision of the LWfG International Single Species Action Plan, foreseen to be completed in 2013;
- Reassess urgent priority measures for the Lesser White-fronted Goose for 2013-2014;
- Discuss funding opportunities for urgent conservation actions in line with the defined priority measures.

**Meeting languages:** Meeting documents will be provided in English. English-Russian interpretation will be provided depending on meeting participation.

**Excursion:** Field trip to Lake Kerkini on Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> of November.



The 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the AEWA Lesser White-fronted Goose International Working Group is being convened within the framework of the EU LIFE+ project "Safeguarding the Lesser White-fronted Goose along its European Flyway" [LIFE10 NAT/GR/000638].

FRIDAY 9 <sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER				
Time	Item	Document	Remarks	[Lead]
08:00	Arrival and registration	--		NM & MTK
09:30	Welcome and Introduction	--		SD
09:40	Adoption of the agenda	LWfG IWG 2.1		SD
09:50	Appointment of Chair Country for the Working Group	--	Appointment of new Chair Country for the LWfG IWG 2013-2014.	SD
10:00	Progress in the implementation of the SSAP - summary of national reports - revision of the report format	LWfG IWG 2.2	Presentation of the summary of progress made in implementing the LWfG SSAP on the basis of the submitted national reports as well as discussion on the need to revise the current reporting format.  Expected outcome: revision of the reporting format to better reflect the chosen priority implementation measures.	NM
11:00	Use of online reporting system (ORS) - feedback	--	Presentation of comments received from range states on the use of the new online reporting system prior to the meeting, discussion.  Expected outcome: suggestions to the AEWA Secretariat for future improvements to the ORS.	NM
11:15	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
11:30	LWfG conservation projects - overview of projects implemented 2011-2012 - presentation of the LWfG LIFE+ project	LWfG IWG 2.3	Reports on LWfG projects implemented through support from the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat 2011-2012 (including upcoming projects) as well as presentation of the current EU LIFE+ project "Safeguarding the LWfG along the European flyway", discussion.	NM
12:00	Creating a network of protected sites for the LWfG	LWfG IWG 2.4	Proposal to create a network of sites deemed critical for the species for prioritized conservation measures, discussion.  Expected outcome: decision to establish a critical site network for the Western Palearctic LWfG populations.	<i>tbc</i>
12:30	Innovative approaches to tackling the threat posed by hunting	--	Presentation of and discussion on possible approaches to	<i>tbc</i>

			tackle the threat from hunting – particularly along the Eastern flyway, for example by organizing a regional meeting on the sustainable hunting of waterbirds.  Expected outcome: list of activities related to hunting to be implemented in the short to medium term.	
13:30	<i>Lunch Break</i>			
14:30	Update/revision of the LWfG SSAP in 2013	LWfG IWG 2.5	Facilitated workshop to launch the update/revision process.	SD/NM
15:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
16:00	Update/revision of the LWfG SSAP in 2013 <i>cont.</i>	--		SD/NM
17:30	Capacity building and awareness raising	--	Presentation and discussion on building national LWfG capacity (training of national experts etc.) as well as awareness-raising (LWfG campaigns, publications, materials etc.).  Expected outcome: assessment of the capacity building and awareness raising needs in the different range states.	NM
18:00	Conclusions from Day 1 – announcements for dinner and Day 2	--		Chair, NM
18:15	<i>End of Day 1</i>			

<b>SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER</b>				
<b>Time</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>Remarks</b>	<b>[Lead]</b>
09:30	Introduction to Day Two	--		Chair
09:40	Priority measures for the LWfG 2013-2014	LWfG IWG 2.6	Introduction to the revision of the priority measures for LWfG conservation for 2013-2014.	SD
10:00	Work in sub-regional groups on priority setting (short term conservation actions) for each sub-region 2013-2014	--	Workshop	Co-Chairs
11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
11:30	Work in regional sub-groups <i>cont.</i>	--	Workshop	Co-Chairs
12:30	<i>Lunch Break</i>			

14:00	Groups report back to plenary – summary of priority actions	--	Short presentation by Co-Chairs, discussion and adoption of bi-annual priority actions.	Co-Chairs, Chair
15:00	Monitoring - common monitoring scheme	LWfG IWG 2.7	Presentation and discussion of a proposal for a common monitoring scheme, including draft monitoring instructions and common database for reporting LWfG sightings.  Expected outcome: decision to establish a common monitoring scheme for the LWfG under the Working Group.	<i>tbc</i>
15:45	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
16:15	Budget, funding of Working Group activities	LWfG IWG 2.8	Presentation of expenses under the Working Group during 2011-2012, discussion on funding of future Working Group activities.	Chair, NM
16:45	Funding possibilities for urgent conservation activities	LWfG IWG 2.9	Presentation of current funding possibilities for LWfG projects and prioritization of projects for fundraising.	Chair, NM
17:15	Working Group website and workspace – comments and feedback	--	Discussion on the LWfG IWG website and workspace including possible suggestions for modifications etc.	NM
17:45	Next Working Group Meeting	--	Presentation of the current financial situation and options for the third LWfG IWG Meeting foreseen to be held in 2014, discussion.	NM
17:50	Summary and conclusion	--		Chair
18:00	<i>Meeting closure</i>			

<b>SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER</b>				
<b>Time</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>Remarks</b>	<b>[Lead]</b>
	Field trip	--		