

1st Meeting of the AEWA Northern Bald Ibis International Working Group

19th – 22nd November 2012, Jazan, Saudi Arabia

PRELIMINARY ANNOTATED AGENDA

Dates: Monday the 19th of November until Thursday the 22nd of November 2012

Venue: Jazan University, Jazan, Saudi Arabia

Host: The Saudi Wildlife Authority and Jazan University

Chair: To be elected

Meeting Documents:

The following working documents will be made available to you for review in advance of the meeting (non-exclusive):

- Annotated agenda
- Terms of Reference for the Working Group
- Draft reporting format

The following information documents will be made available to you at the meeting (non-exclusive):

- List of participants

Main Objectives:

- Appoint Chair country for the Working Group;
- Review and adopt the Terms of Reference for the Working Group;
- Agree on Working Group reporting practices and budgetary issues;
- Discuss the update and revision of the NBI International Single Species Action Plan and brief update on status of national NBI Species Action Plans
- Determine priority measures for the Northern Bald Ibis (NBI) on the basis of the International Single Species Action Plan and updates to this;
- Discuss and determine the most urgent conservation actions for the species, based on the outlined priority measures such as the identification and protection of critical sites, wider threats (such as development and hunting), and the need for consistent monitoring. Also the value of drafting national action plans;
- Discuss funding opportunities for urgent conservation actions in line with the defined priority measures.

Meeting languages: Meeting documents will be provided in English.

MONDAY THE 19 th OF NOVEMBER				
Time	Item	Document	Remarks	[Lead]
08:00	Arrival and registration	--		
09:00	Welcome and Introduction	--		Host, CB, SD
09:15	Adoption of the agenda	NBI IWG 1.1		CB
09:30	Appointment of Chair Country for the Working Group	--	Presentation, discussion and election of a chair	CB
09:45	Confirmation of observers	--	Presentation, discussion and confirmation of observer organizations.	Chair
10:00	Working Group Terms of Reference – review and adoption	NBI IWG 1.2	Presentation, discussion and adoption	Chair, SD
10:30	National reporting	NBI IWG 1.3	Agree on reporting format, timetable etc.	Chair, CB
11:15	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
11:30	NBI species status – general overview		Presentation on the status and historical decline of the species as background to country reports.	CB
12:00	Syria – country report	--	Presentation	[SYR]
12:15	Saudi Arabia – country report	--	Presentation	[KSA]
12:30	Turkey – country report	--	Presentation	[TUR]
12:45	Yemen – country report	--	Presentation	[YEM]
13:00	<i>Lunch Break</i>			
14:00	Ethiopia – country report	--	Presentation	[ETH]
14:15	Morocco – country report	--	Presentation	[MOR]
14:30	Algeria – country report	--	Presentation	[ALG]
14:45	Brief conclusion on the status of the wild NBI populations	--		Chair, CB
15:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
<i>Session on the reintroduction and supplementation of the NBI</i>				
15:15	Reintroduction and supplementation of the NBI	--	Brief introduction to the history of reintroduction and supplementation efforts for the NBI	CB/CBm
15:30	Austria – advances in reintroduction	--	Presentation	[AUS]

	methodology			
15:45	Spain – advances in reintroduction methodology	--	Presentation	[ESP]
16:00	Supplementation of existing wild populations	--	Discussion	Chair, CB
17:00	Necessity of and priority areas for reintroduction and viability of methodology	--	Discussion	Chair, CB
17:40	Conclusions from Day 1 – announcements for dinner and Day 2	--		Chair, CB
17:50	<i>End of meeting</i>			
18:00	<i>Dinner</i>			

TUESDAY THE 20th OF NOVEMBER				
Time	Item	Document	Remarks	[Lead]
09:00	Introduction to Day 2	--		Chair, CB
09:10	Update/revision of the NBI SSAP	NBI IWG 1.4	Facilitated workshop to launch the update/revision process.	SD, CB
11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
11:15	Update/revision of the NBI SSAP cont.	--		SD, CB
13:00	<i>Lunch Break</i>			
14:00	Determining priority measures for the NBI	--	Introduction	CB
14:30	Work in sub-regional groups on priority setting (short term conservation actions) for each sub-region	--	Workshop	Co-chairs
15:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
15:15	Work in sub-regional groups cont.	--	Workshop	Co-Chairs
17:30	Conclusions from Day 2 – announcements for dinner and Day 3	--		Chair
17:45	<i>End of meeting</i>			
18:00	<i>Dinner</i>			

WEDNESDAY THE 21 ST OF NOVEMBER				
Time	Item	Document	Remarks	[Lead]
09:00	Introduction to Day Three	--		Chair
09:10	Groups report back to plenary – summary of priority actions and sites	--	Short presentations, discussion and adoption of priority actions	Co-Chairs, CB
10:00	Addressing key threats identified: Site protection needs:		Discussion of approach required for addressing key threats. 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 NBI. [More time may be needed for this session]	CB
10:30	Gaps in knowledge and capacity in relation to addressing key threats		Discussion on building national NBI capacity (training of national experts etc.) as well as awareness-raising (NBI campaigns, publications, materials etc.) and other capacity requirements	CB
11:15	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
11:30	Budget, funding of Working Group activities	NBI IWG 1.5	Presentation of overview of Working Group expenses, discussion on funding of future Working Group activities.	Chair, CB
11:50	Funding possibilities for urgent conservation activities	NBI IWG 1.6	Presentation of current funding possibilities for NBI projects and prioritization of projects for fundraising.	Chair, CB
12:30	<i>Lunch Break</i>			
13:30	Presentation of Working Group website and workspace	--	Introduction of the NBI IWG website and workspace to the group including discussion on use of the workspace to facilitate the work of the IWG.	CB
14:00	Future steps	--	Discussion	All
14:30	Next Working Group Meeting	--	Presentation of the options and funding needs for the second NBI IWG Meeting, discussion.	CB

14:45	Summary and conclusion	--		Chair
15:00	<i>Meeting closure</i>			

THURSDAY THE 22 nd OF NOVEMBER				
Time	Item	Document	Remarks	[Lead]
<i>tbc</i>	Field trip to [location tbc]			