



AEWA EURASIAN CURLEW INTERNATIONAL
WORKING GROUP



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**1st Meeting of the AEWA Eurasian Curlew International Working Group
- *N. a. arquata* Breeding Range States –**

4-6 September 2018, Aberlady, Scotland (UK)

ANNOTATED AGENDA

Dates: Tuesday 4th to Thursday 6th September 2018

Venue: Headquarters of the Scottish Ornithologists' Club
Waterston House, Aberlady, East Lothian, Scotland, EH32 0PY

Host: UK Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra)

Main objectives:

- Overview of the current status of implementation of the AEWA Eurasian Curlew International Single Species Action Plan on the basis of reports from the breeding range states;
- Discussion regarding the establishment of an Adaptive Harvest Management process, including agreement on next steps forward;
- Development and adoption of a work plan for international conservation activities as well as a discussion on fundraising priorities for the next inter-sessional period.

Meeting languages: Meeting documents will be provided in English. The meeting language will be English.

DAY 1 – Tuesday 4 th September				
Time	Agenda item	Document	Lead	Expected outcome/notes
09:00-11:00	Guided walk around Aberlady Bay Local Nature Reserve with John Harrison, Reserve Warden. <i>Meet at Aberlady Bay car park at 9am. The car park is a 15-minute walk east (0.7 miles) from the Ducks Hotel. Walk along the road that follows the coastline to get there.</i>			
11:00	Registration starts			
12:00	Opening and welcome – address from the Scottish Ornithologists' Club	-	James Main, SOC President	-
12:10	Opening and welcome	-	Host, AEWA, Coordinator	-
12:20	Introduction of Chair	-	AEWA	-
12:25	Introduction to the meeting and adoption of agenda	EC IWG 1.1 rev. 1	Chair	Introduction to the meeting, including expected outcomes.



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				Adoption of the agenda. Requests for any other business noted.
12:50	Admission of observers	EC IWG Inf. 1.3 rev. 1	Chair	Possible observers admitted to the meeting
13:00	<i>Working Lunch</i>			
Update on the status of the Eurasian Curlew and the status of implementation of the ISSAP				
13:30	Current global status of the Eurasian Curlew	-	Coordinator	Range states updated on overall status and situation of the species
13:45	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in Belgium	-	Belgian delegation	
14:00	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in Denmark	-	Danish delegation	
14:15	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in Estonia	-	Estonian delegation	
14:30	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in France	-	French delegation	
14:45	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in Germany	-	German delegation	
15:00	<i>Coffee break</i>			
15:30	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in the Netherlands	-	Dutch delegation	
15:45	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in Norway	-	Norwegian delegation	
16:00	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in Russia	-	Russian delegation	
16:15	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in Ireland	-	Irish delegation	
16:30	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in Sweden	-	Swedish delegation	
16:45	Update on current conservation efforts and implementation of ISSAP in the UK	-	UK delegation	
17:00	Wrap-up summary of presentations	-	Coordinator	
Additional Ongoing Curlew Research and Conservation Activities				
17:10	EU International Multi-Species Action Plan for the Conservation of Breeding Waders in Wet Grassland Habitats in Europe (2018 – 2028) - links to the AEWA ISSAP and Working Group workplan	EC IWG Inf. 1.4	Jutta Leyrer	
17:25	BirdLife International East Atlantic Flyway Initiative	-	Coordinator	
17:35	Wadden Sea Flyway Initiative (WSFI)	-	Marc van Roomen	
17:40	Additional international ongoing Curlew research/conservation projects of relevance to breeding range states (<i>tbc</i>)	-	Meeting participants	
17:55	Conclusions from day 1 and announcements for day 2	-	Chair, Coordinator	-
18:00	Meeting closure			
19:00	Dinner at Craigielaw Golf Course			

DAY 2 – Wednesday 5th September

Meeting Excursion

08:00	<i>Depart Duck's Hotel</i>
10:30	Arrive at RSPB Airds Moss Nature Reserve & Common Farm, Ayrshire. Meet farmer, predator control contractor and go on a walk to witness and discuss threats and opportunities affecting curlew in an upland farming landscape. <i>Packed lunch will be provided.</i>
13:30	<i>Depart RSPB Airds Moss Nature Reserve, picking up coffee at service station on way back</i>
15:45	<i>Arrive back at Waterston House</i>

Adaptive Harvest Management

15:50	Opening – introduction to Day 2	-	Chair	-
16:00	Discussion on the establishment of Adaptive Harvest Management for the Eurasian Curlew	-	AEWA	Agree on next steps forward

Ongoing Curlew Research and Conservation Activities cont.

17:10	Keynote Talk - ongoing tracking research by the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) on Eurasian Curlews	-	Dr. Rachel Taylor	-
17:55	Conclusions from day 2 and announcements for day 3	-	Chair, Coordinator	-
18:00	<i>Meeting closure.</i>			
19:00	<i>Dinner at the Ducks Hotel.</i>			
20:30	<i>Talk by Mary Colwell on her walk to raise the profile of curlew conservation and her new book</i>			

DAY 3 – Thursday 6th September

Time	Agenda item	Document	Lead	Expected outcome
08:30	Opening – introduction to Day 3	-	Chair	-
Workplan for the Eurasian Curlew IWG (2018-2021) – Priority Conservation Action and Fundraising				
08:35	Report on the AEWA EC IWG coordination and budget	-	Coordinator	-
08:45	Linking the AEWA EC IWG workplan to other initiatives	-	Nicola Crockford	Presentation followed by short discussion and questions
08:55	Establishment of a workplan for the Eurasian Curlew IWG (Breeding Range States of <i>N. a. arquata</i>)	EC IWG 1.3	Coordinator, AEWA, ALL	Presentation of draft workplan followed by discussion/brainstorming
11:15	<i>Coffee break</i>			
11:30	Fundraising priorities for urgent conservation/research work	-	Chair, Coordinator	Discussion on fundraising priorities for the IWG based on workplan etc.
Next Meeting and AOB				
12:20	Next Meeting of the Working Group (regional sub-set)	-	Chair, Coordinator	Decision taken on approximate timing and possible venue of the next Working Group meeting.

12:30	Any other business	-	Chair	Discussion of possible points raised at beginning of meeting
12:45	Summary and closing remarks	-	Chair, Host, Coordinator, AEWA	-
13:00	<i>Lunch</i>			