



13th MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
14 – 17 March 2016, Israel

**PROCEDURES, SUPPORTING PROCESSES, DATA DEPENDENCIES AND TIMELINES FOR
AMENDING LISTING OF POPULATIONS IN AEWA TABLE 1**

Draft information document

Introduction

At MOP6, the AEWA Parties requested the Technical Committee to prepare an overview of the procedures, supporting processes, data dependencies and timelines for amending listing of populations in AEWA Table 1. An information document is to be produced by the Committee at TC13 and then circulated to the Parties well in advance of MOP7, so as to provide clarity.

The table below summarises all the relevant information on the basis of the timelines leading to MOP6 in November 2015. Dates or processes that are legally-binding are shown **underlined in bold and red.**

Action Requested from the Technical Committee

The TC is requested to revise this draft information document, to adjust it as necessary, and agree on a version for submission to the Parties. The Parties will be requested to provide feedback and further elaboration might be required later in the triennium.

Days prior to MOP(6)	Date for MOP5-6 triennium	AEWA process	Non-AEWA process	Dependencies – linkages / comment
	2013	Developing Terms of Reference (ToR) for the production of the Conservation Status Report (CSR) and consulting it with the Technical Committee (TC)		
		Obtaining a quote from Wetlands International (WI) for the production of the CSR and starting fund-raising by the AEWA Secretariat		
	2014	Contract placed by the AEWA Secretariat with WI for CSR		
		Compiling draft population status assessments (by WI) as a first step of the CSR production		The status assessments define the need of amendments to AEWA Table 1 – many categories are based on population size and trend
		Consulting the draft status assessments for technical input with WI Specialist Groups, other experts, Contracting Parties and the TC (by WI)	Initial posting of proposed changes to IUCN Red List by BirdLife International (BLI)	IUCN Red List changes have impact on the AEWA Table 1 listings (Column A, categories 1b and 4)
			CMS COP11 takes decision on amendments to CMS Appendix 1, amongst other things	CMS Appendix 1 listings do have impact on AEWA Table 1 listings (Column A, category 1a)
		Producing draft CSR and consulting it with the TC		The CSR is produced on the basis of the consulted population status assessments, the latest IUCN Red List
		Compiling the proposed amendments to AEWA Table 1 with their pertinent justifications based on the draft CSR		

	3 March 2015	12 th Meeting of the Technical Committee (TC12) – reviewing the final draft of the CSR and proposed amendments to AEWA Table 1		
		Post-TC12 revision and finalisation of CSR and proposed amendments to AEWA Table 1 listings		
	19 May 2015	Submission of proposals for amendments to Annexes 2 and 3 (AEWA Table 1) of AEWA by the Government of Norway		
<u>-150</u>	11 June 2015	<u>Deadline for submission to the AEWA Secretariat of proposals for amendments to the Agreement or its annexes by Contracting Parties</u>		
<u>Asap after -150 above</u>		<u>Submission to the Contracting Parties of the received proposals for amendments to the Agreement or its annexes by the AEWA Secretariat</u>		
	5 August 2015		Deadline for comments on indicative changes to IUCN Red List	
			Posting of indicative proposed changes to IUCN Red List by BLI	
-100	31 July 2015	Functional deadline for final MOP papers to be submitted to the Secretariat for processing and upload on the website		
-60	10 September 2015	<u>Deadline for submission of comments by the Contracting Parties on the received proposals for amendments to the Agreement or its annexes</u>		At this stage proposed amendments can be only supported or rejected and comments by Parties shall be limited to one of the two notions. No new amendments can be proposed.
<u>-60</u>	10 September 2015	<u>Deadline for upload of all MOP6 documents on the AEWA website, including CSR</u>		

-11	29 October 2015		Confirmation by BirdLife International of changes to IUCN Red List and posting on BLI website	In order for the new changes to the IUCN Red List to be reflected in the proposed amendments to the AEWAs Table 1, these should have been released before 11 June 2015, i.e. 150 days prior to MOP6
<u>0</u>	9 November 2015	<u>Start of MOP6</u>		
	19 November 2015		Official release of the updated Red List by IUCN	The release of the updated IUCN Red List should have happened before MOP6 in order to be taken into account in the decision making process of the MOP