



Programme of the Large Carnivores` Protection in the Carpathians Conference

Roznov pod Radhostem, Hotel Eroplán, Czech Republic, October 18th – 21st, 2016

October 17th

16.00-19.00 registration of participants

October 18th

8.30-10.00 registration of participants

Time	Topic	Speaker
10.00-10.30	Opening words, purpose of the meeting, reference to similar meetings in the past Opening together with the Slovak Presidency of the Council of the European Union	Jindriska Jelinkova (NCACR), Vladimir Dolejsky (deputy minister – Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Rep.) Harald Egerer (Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention) Rastislav Rybanic (SK EU 2016)
10.30-11.00	Status of large carnivores in the Czech Republic	Jaroslav Cerveny (Czech University of Life Sciences, Fac. of Forestry and Wood Sciences) Miroslava Barancekova (Institute of Vertebrate Biology of Academy of Sciences)
11.00-11.30	Coffee break	
11.30-12.00	Status of large carnivores in Slovakia	Jan Kadlecik (State Nature Conservancy of the Slovak Republic)
12.00-12.30	Status of large carnivores in Poland	Sabina Pierużek-Nowak (Association for Nature "wolf") Robert W. Myslajek (Univ. of Warsaw, Fac. of Biol.) Nuria Selva (Polish Academy of Sciences)
12.30-13.00	Status of large carnivores in Romania	Silviu Chiriac (Environmental Protection Agency WOLFLIFE project) Ioan Mihai Pop (Association for the Biological Diversity Conservation)
13.00-14.30	Lunch	
14.30-15.00	Status of large carnivores in Hungary	Laszlo Szemethy (St István University Inst. for Wildlife)

		Conservation)
15.00-15.30	Status of large carnivores in Ukraine	Igor Iakovliev, Maryna Shkvyria (Schmalhausen Institute of Zoology NAS of Ukraine)
15.30-16.00	Status of large carnivores in Serbia	Dusko Cirovic (University of Belgrade - Faculty of Biology) Milan Paunovic (Natural History Museum, Belgrade)
16.00-16.30	Coffee break	
16.30-17.00	Presentations of status-quo and trends of large carnivores populations in the Carpathians based on latest figures provided by Carpathian countries experts and practitioners – outputs of the questionnaire developed by WWF; brainstorming and discussion	Cristian-Remus Papp (WWF DCP-Romania)
17.00-17.30	Plenary discussions on previous presentation by 7 country representatives (highlights from country perspective, possible reason for trends, data gaps; open plenary discussions	Irene Lucius, (WWF- Regional Conservation Director)
17:30 – 18:00	Overview over recently completed and ongoing LC projects in the Carpathians and their contribution to filling critical knowledge gaps or test/implement important conservation measures. Q&A	Cristian-Remus Papp (WWF DCP-Romania)
19.00	Welcoming dinner	Invitation of the organisers

October 19th

Time	Topic	Speaker
09.00-09.45	The policy and legal context set by the Carpathian Convention, CITES, the EU and national level	Jan Sima (Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Rep.)
9.45-10.15	The EU action plan and LC platform – introduction, state of implementation and the importance of the Carpathians in the European context; inviting participants to review the critical action points identified for the Carpathians and feedback result of review to EU Commission; Q&A	Klaus Hackländer, International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation (CIC)
10.15-11.00	Purpose of the Memorandum of Cooperation between the Carpathian Convention and the CIC; discussion, signing ceremony	Harald Egerer (CC) Klaus Hackländer (CIC)
11.00-11.30	Coffee break	
11.30-11.50	Habitat fragmentation and large carnivores in the Western Carpathians. Do they still have a chance to survive?	Vaclav Hlavac (NCA CR)
11.50-12.10	Monitoring bear and wolf populations in ecological corridors (the example of Connect Carpathians project)	Ian Trewby (Fauna & Flora International)
12.10-12.30	Migration Study on Large Mammals on most of	Marek Sekercak (HBH project)

	highways and motorways in Slovakia - focus on cross-border migration	Ltd.)
12.30-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-14.20	Monitoring of carnivores of European significance in selected Sites of Community Importance in the Czech Rep.	Miroslav Kutal (Friends of the Earth Czech Republic, Olomouc branch)
14.20-14.40	Bear and roads - Brown bear behaviour (ethology), habitat selection, and the problematic of roads concerning habitat disruption.	Michaela Skuban (Carpathian Wildlife Society)
14.40-15.00	Wolf and its conservation in Slovakia - National Action Plan for wolf, improved hunting system	Michaela Skuban (Carpathian Wildlife Society)
15.00-15.20	First year of monitoring of Eurasian lynx in Muranska planina NP, Slovakia.	Jergus Tesak (Matej Bel University, Fac. of Natural Sciences)
15.20-16.00	The neighbour's view – 30 min presentation + 10 Q&A	Filippo Favilli, EURAC and Claudio Groff(tbc), Alpine Convention/WISO Platform representative
16.00-16.30	Coffee break	
16.30-17.00	Stakeholders view	Representatives of interest groups
17.00-18:30	Moderated discussion on the presentations, main topics, problems within three areas: monitoring, human-LC conflicts, habitat fragmentation, brainstorming for common project ideas	WWF - DCP
19.00	Dinner	

October 20th

Time	Title	Speaker
9.00-09.30	Population level management and human/wildlife issues concerning carnivores (20 min + 10 Q&A)	Ovidiu Ionescu (Transilvania University and INCDS Marin Dracea)
09.30-10.30	Population level large carnivores management across borders – how to move towards a Carpathian management approach – Large Carnivores Management Plan in the Carpathians; 30 min presentation plus 30 min moderated discussion	Jaroslav Cervený (Czech University of Life Sciences, Fac. of Forestry and Wood Sciences)
10.30-12.30 (including coffee break)	Each country team discusses national roadmaps towards LC action plans incl. resource needs, timeline, need for legislative amendments etc and ways of linking up to work of neighbouring countries and work on international management plan for the Carpathian populations of large carnivores	Jaroslav Cervený (Czech University of Life Sciences, Fac. of Forestry and Wood Sciences) NCACR Country groups representatives
12.30-14.00	Lunch	

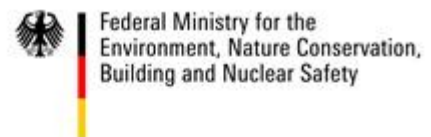
14.00-15.30	Panel discussion: developing national action plans and management recommendations for the Carpathian LC populations and ways of improving cross border and regional cooperation under the Carpathian Convention	7 country reps plus UNEP and moderator
15.30-16.00	Closing remarks: ways toward a transnational LC network; Signing of the Declaration of the conference	Organisers, Harald Egerer (CC)
16.00-16.30	Coffee break	
16.30-18.30	Formal Biodiversity Working Group meeting: the future role of LC conservation for the WG and implications for the objectives and agenda of the WG; to do list	Harald Egerer (CC)

October 21st

Field trip, or visit of the Wallachian open air museum /to be chosen by participants/

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