



Regional cooperation on the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia: IUCN experiences and potential opportunities

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About IUCN

- The largest professional global conservation network
- A neutral forum for governments, NGOs, scientists, business and local communities to find practical solutions to conservation and development challenges
- IUCN's work is supported by over 1,000 staff in 45 offices and hundreds of partners in public, NGO and private sectors around the world.





IUCN and CBD

The organisation itself is unique in being a **Union of Members**, including over **90 States, 124 government agencies** and approximately **1000 NGOs**. IUCN has considerable experience on the ground, thus providing a unique linkage between policy and practice, ensuring that IUCN's policy advice is informed by actual experience. Further, with 6 Commissions involving some 11,000 scientists and experts, IUCN can draw on sound scientific and technical advice. IUCN has been involved in the CBD since its drafting and through its further development.

IUCN and CBD

IUCN's work with the CBD for the coming years consists inter-alia of:

- supporting the implementation of the CBD Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and its Aichi Targets
- providing support for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (Aichi Target 16)
- contributing and assisting parties in the revision, update, and development of NBSAPs (Aichi Target 17)





IUCN European Region

IUCN's European region covers the European continent, North and Central Asia.

Representing one third of the global membership, this is **IUCN's largest programmatic region.**

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Organization Name	Acronym	Country	Member Category
Institute for Nature Conservation in Albania	INCA	Albania	National NGO
Ruajtja dhe Mbrojtja e Mejedisit Natyror ne Shqiperi	PPNEA	Albania	National NGO
Foundation for the Preservation of Wildlife and Cultural Assets	FPWC	Armenia	National NGO
Hayastani Trchyunneri Pahpanman Miutyun	ASPB	Armenia	National NGO
Azerbaijan Ornithological Society	AOS	Azerbaijan	National NGO
Društvo za zaštitu prirodnog naslijeđa - ARBOR MAGNA, Banja Luka	AM-BL	Bosnia and Herzegovina	National NGO
Bългарска Fondatzia Bioraznoobrazie	BBF	Bulgaria	National NGO
Ministry of Environment and Water (Министерство на Околната Среда и Вод	MOEW	Bulgaria	Government Agency w
DRŽAVNI ZAVOD ZA ZAŠTITU PRIRODE		Croatia	Government Agency w
Hrvatsko Biolosko Društvo		Croatia	National NGO
Hrvatsko herpetolosko drustvo	HHD-Hyla	Croatia	National NGO
Hrvatsko Prirodoslovno Društvo	HPD	Croatia	National NGO
Ministarstvo zaštite okoliša i prirode, Uprava za zaštitu prirode	MZOIP	Croatia	Government Agency w
Udruga BIOM	BIOM	Croatia	National NGO
Agentura ochrany prírody a krajiny CR	AOPK CR	Czech Republic	Government Agency w
Cesky svaz ochránců přírody	ÚVR ČSOP	Czech Republic	National NGO
Ministerstvo životního prostředí		Czech Republic	State
Správa Krkonosského národního parku	KRNAP	Czech Republic	Affiliate
Unie Ceskych a Slovenskych Zoologickych Zahrad	UCSZOO	Czech Republic	International NGO
Eestimaa Looduse Fond	ELF	Estonia	National NGO
Keskkonnaministeerium		Estonia	State
Caucasus Environmental NGO Network	CENN	Georgia	National NGO
Centre for Biodiversity Conservation & Research	NACRES	Georgia	National NGO
Field researchers` Union - CAMPESTER	CAMPESTER	Georgia	National NGO
Georgian Centre for the Conservation of Wildlife	GCCW	Georgia	National NGO
Ministry of Environment Protection of Georgia		Georgia	State
The Biological Farming Association ELKANA	ELKANA	Georgia	National NGO
Goncol Alapitvány		Hungary	National NGO
International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation	CIC	Hungary	International NGO
Magyar Madártani és Természetvédelmi Egyesület	MME	Hungary	National NGO
Magyar Természetvédok Szovetsége		Hungary	National NGO
Nimfea Természetvédelmi Egyesület	NIMFEA TE	Hungary	National NGO
Vidékfejlesztési Minisztérium		Hungary	Government Agency w
WWF Vilag Természeti Alap Magyarország Alapitvány	WWF	Hungary	National NGO

Youth Ecological Movement	BIOM	Kyrgyzstan	National NGO
Lietuvos Gamtos Fondas	LGF	Lithuania	National NGO
Lietuvos Respublikos Aplinkos Ministerija	LRAM	Lithuania	Affiliate
Societatea Ecologica BIOTICA		Moldova	National NGO
Centar za zastitu i proucavanje ptica Crne Gore	CZIP	Montenegro	National NGO
Javno preduzeće za nacionalne parkove Crne Gore	JPNPCG	Montenegro	Government Agency w
Ministarstvo održivog razvoja i turizma (MRT)		Montenegro	Government Agency w
Centrum Prawa Ekologicznego	CPE	Poland	National NGO
Fundacja Dziedzictwo Przyrodnicze	FDP	Poland	National NGO
Instytut Ochrony Przyrody Polskiej Akademii Nauk	IOP PAN	Poland	National NGO
Komitet Ochrony Przyrody Polska Akademia Nauk		Poland	National NGO
Narodowa Fundacja Ochrony Srodowiska	NFOS	Poland	National NGO
Panstwowa Rada Ochrony Przyrody		Poland	National NGO
Polskie Towarzystwo Ochrony Przyrody Salamandra	PTOP Salamandra	Poland	National NGO
Polskie Towarzystwo Przyjaciół Przyrody "pro Natura"	PTPP	Poland	National NGO
Towarzystwo Przyrodnicze - Bocian	TP	Poland	National NGO
Asociatia Speologica Exploratorii	ASE	Romania	National NGO
Ministerul Mediului și Schimbarilor Climatice (MMSM)		Romania	Government Agency w
All-Russian Society of Nature Protection-Leningrad region office	ARSoNP	Russia	National NGO
Biodiversity Conservation Center	BCC	Russia	National NGO
Environmental Education Center Zapovedniks	ECPZ	Russia	National NGO
Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation		Russia	State
St. Petersburg Naturalist`s Society		Russia	National NGO
The Wildlife Foundation of Khabarovsk		Russia	National NGO
World Wide Fund for Nature - Russia	WWF	Russia	National NGO
Ministarstvo Energetike, razvoja i zaštite životne sredine		Serbia	Government Agency w
POKRAJINSKI ZAVOD ZA ZAŠTITU PRIRODE	PZZP	Serbia	Government Agency w
Zavod Za Zastitu Prirode Srbije	ZZPS	Serbia	Government Agency w
Statna ochrana prírody Slovenskej republiky	SOP SR	Slovakia	Government Agency w
Ministrstvo za kmetijstvo in okolje		Slovenia	Government Agency w
Turkmenian Society for Conservation of Nature	TSCN	Turkmenistan	National NGO
Environment-People-Law	EPL	Ukraine	International NGO
National Ecological Centre of Ukraine	NECU	Ukraine	National NGO

IUCN SEE

- IUCN SEE office exists since 2004, and has implemented a number of regional projects during that time
- **Strategic Directions for IUCN in SEE** by 2020: Policy Influencing and capacity building



IUCN SEE

- Based on the strategy, IUCN SEE is implementing a project “Towards Strengthened Conservation Planning in SEE“. The overall objective of the project is to strengthen the implementation of conservation standards in South-Eastern Europe by supporting **institutional development** and creating a **regional platform** for nature conservation planning.



IUCN SEE

- By creating regional projects, we encourage flow of information and exchange of knowledge in the region, fostering better cooperation and harmonizing priorities in nature conservation

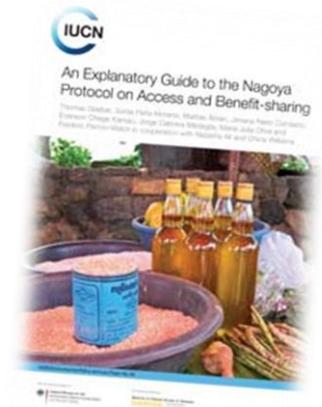


IUCN ELC



IUCN's Environmental Law Centre created the “**Explanatory guide to Nagoya Protocol**”, available at: http://www.iucn.org/news_homepage/events/cbd/work/the_nagoya_protocol/

Together with **Tbilisi Office**, ELC conducted a training in three Environment Ministries - Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia back in 2011 on: Legal Frameworks for Access to Genetic Resources and Fair and Equitable Benefit Sharing.



IUCN ELC



IUCN's Environmental Law Centre participated in the creation of **Micro B3 ABS model agreement** on access to marine microorganisms and benefit sharing

The agreement provides the legal framework for sampling and analysis activities to comply with the international and national legal obligations on access and benefit sharing. By signing the agreement, the provider country gives the research consortium the permit to sample in its seas and enters into a partnership. In such partnership some mutual benefits are automatically included and others can be negotiated while signing the agreement. Full transparency, protection from misappropriation, access to scientific results and data through open access integrated databases are the main benefits acquired by entering the partnership, together with the possibility to get monetary benefit sharing in cases of proprietary uses of the resources.

IUCN GPU



The Global Policy Unit (GPU) provides policy advice and guidance to IUCN's component programmes in the development and implementation of international conservation policy.

Documentation and Analysis of NBSAP Revision Processes

Also worked on Explanatory guide

IUCN GEF Project



Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit Sharing in Latin America and the Caribbean

The objectives are

- to strengthen the capacities of eight countries (Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guyana, Panama and Peru) to develop and/or comply with national policy and legal frameworks related to ABS
- to increase the understanding and the negotiation skills of countries regarding ABS agreements/contracts

IUCN Support



IUCN provides support both in improving the national capacities for enabling the ratification of the Protocol and its implementation once it enters into force.

Provision of technical assistance in **development of ABS regimes** (laws, policies and administrative measures)



IUCN Support

- Supporting the development of **national ABS processes, codes of conduct**, model agreements, etc after having taken stock of the national settings and contexts
- **Clarifying roles** of relevant authorities and **building their capacities** based on those roles and the national institutional setting



IUCN Support

- **Awareness raising amongst ABS stakeholders**– specific awareness raising activities/tools could include the usual workshops for government officials and other stakeholders, trainings for ABS National Focal Points/Competent National Authorities, e-learning modules, development of explanatory material on key issues in the Protocol which have been identified as gaps/concerns for the region, documentation of case studies, best practices, lessons learned shared among the different countries in the region in order to enable regular exchange of experiences



Thank you for listening, look forward
to our discussion!

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