

**Fifth Meeting of the Signatories
of the Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation and
Management of the Middle-European Population of the Great Bustard
(*Otis tarda*)**

Bratislava, Slovakia, 18 – 21 September 2023

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**STATUS OF SIGNATURES
TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON THE
CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE MIDDLE-EUROPEAN POPULATION OF
THE GREAT BUSTARD (*Otis tarda*)**

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| TITLE | Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation and Management of the Middle-European Population of the Great Bustard, <i>Otis tarda</i> |
| TYPE | Article IV(4) |
| LEGAL STATUS | Multilateral Environmental Memorandum of Understanding |
| LANGUAGE | English |
| DEPOSITARY | CMS Secretariat |
| COVERAGE | Middle-European Populations of the Great Bustard, <i>Otis tarda</i> |
| RANGE STATE/REIO | 21: ALBANIA, AUSTRIA, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, BULGARIA, CROATIA, CZECH REPUBLIC, EUROPEAN UNION, GERMANY, GREECE, HUNGARY, ITALY, MONTENEGRO, POLAND, REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA, ROMANIA, Russian Federation (European part only), SERBIA, SLOVAKIA, SLOVENIA, NORTH MACEDONIA, UKRAINE |
| FINAL ACT | Not applicable |
| SIGNATURE | Opened for signature on 27 June 2000 Signed by 14 States: ROMANIA (09.09.2000), HUNGARY (07.10.2000), NORTH MACEDONIA (formerly: The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; 07.10.2000), REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA (19.12.2000), BULGARIA (16.05.01), GREECE (22.05.01), AUSTRIA (28.11.01), SLOVAKIA (28.11.01), UKRAINE (17.04.02), ALBANIA (18.04.02), CROATIA (04.06.02), GERMANY (18.09.02), CZECH REPUBLIC (18.02.08), SERBIA (10.04.2019) |
| IN EFFECT | First day of the month following signature by the fifth Range State; open for signature indefinitely; effective for all other signatory States on the first day of the first month following the date on which they sign |
| ACTUALLY IN EFFECT | 1 June 2001 |
| RAT/ACP/APP/ACC | Not applicable |
| MEETINGS OF THE SIGNATORY STATES | First Meeting: 17-18 September 2004, Austria. Second Meeting: 11-12 November 2008, Ukraine Third Meeting: 8-12 April 2013, Hungary Fourth Meeting: 14-15 March 2018, Germany Fifth Meeting: 20-21 September 2023, Slovakia |
| SECRETARIAT | CMS Secretariat. Address: Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1, D-53113 Bonn, Germany |
| FINANCING | None specified in the MOU |

RESERVATIONS

Not applicable

OTHER

The Memorandum of Understanding was signed also by 4 co-operating organizations: CMS Secretariat (05.10.2000), the International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation (CIC) (05.10.2000), BirdLife International (07.10.2000) and IUCN - the World Conservation Union (07.10.2000)

KEY TO AGREEMENT SUMMARY SHEETS

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| TITLE | Full title of the Agreement (and any acronym) |
| TYPE | Type of Agreement (concluded under the terms of either Article IV(3) or Article IV(4) of the Convention on Migratory Species) |
| LEGAL STATUS | Legal status of Agreement/Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) |
| LANGUAGE | Language of the authentic texts of the Agreement |
| SPONSOR | Name of the Government which sponsored negotiations to conclude the Agreement |
| DEPOSITARY | As specified in the text of the Agreement, name of the Government or intergovernmental organization providing depositary services for the Agreement |
| COVERAGE | Taxonomic coverage of the Agreement |
| RANGE STATE/REIO | CMS Parties are shown in upper case, non-Parties are shown in normal letters (includes Regional Economic Integration Organizations) |
| FINAL ACT | Date of signature of the Final Act of the meeting at which the text of the Agreement was adopted, and a list of signatories to the Final Act |
| SIGNATURE | <p>As specified in the text of the Agreement, provisions for signature of the Agreement. Actual number of signatures of Range States + REIOs, followed by a listing of the individual signatories in chronological order</p> <p>Symbols used:</p> <p>"ds" means the signature is definitive (no further legal measures necessary for the Agreement to be legally binding);</p> <p>"+" means the Agreement has been signed, but must still be ratified;</p> <p>"acp" means the Agreement has been accepted;</p> <p>"app" means the Agreement has been approved;</p> <p>"acc" means the Agreement has been acceded to.</p> |
| IN FORCE/IN EFFECT | Provisions concerning entry into force of the Agreement or effective date of the Memorandum of Understanding, as specified in the text of the Agreement or MOU |
| ACTUALLY IN FORCE/ IN EFFECT | Actual date of entry into force/effect of the Agreement or MOU |
| RAT/ACP/APP/ACC | Actual number of States and REIOs having signed definitively, ratified, accepted, approved or acceded to the Agreement, followed by a listing of the relevant States/REIOs in |

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| | chronological order (according to the date of deposit of relevant instrument) |
| MEETINGS OF THE PARTIES/ SIGNATORY STATES | Dates or provisions with respect to holding the first meeting of the Parties (Agreements) or Signatories (MOU), if specified in the text of the Agreement |
| SECRETARIAT | Full address of the Secretariat or Interim Secretariat for the Agreement |
| FINANCING | Financial considerations, if specified in the text of the Agreement |
| RESERVATIONS | Any provisions regarding the possibility for Parties to enter reservations, if specified in the text of the Agreement |
| DESCRIPTION | As appropriate, a brief description of the Agreement's provisions |
| SPECIES EXAMPLES | A few examples of species covered by the Agreement |
| OTHER | Other remarks |