

**SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS**  
(arising from ScC-SC2)

**SUSTAINABLE TOURISM AND MIGRATORY SPECIES**  
**UNEP/CMS/COP12/DOC.24.4.8**

**RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP12**

- Recommended for adoption

**GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT**

- The Sessional Committee welcomed this resolution as addressing a very important matter, as reflected also by the International Biodiversity Day in 2017 focusing on tourism, a fact that might be added to the preamble.
- The involvement of local communities in tourism operations should be addressed.
- CMS, in cooperation with its daughter agreements, should consider compiling a repository of existing national measures, serving to give examples of potential best practice.

**COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION**

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- The Scientific Council may not have the capacity to monitor the uptake of such national guidelines, and the activity may need to be directed elsewhere.
- CMS daughter agreements could have a role within their field of competence.