



Midterm Review of the Central Asian Mammals Initiative (CAMI) April 16-19, 2018

International Academy for Nature Conservation, Isle of Vilm, Germany

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Rationale / Objective

The Central Asian Mammals Initiative (CAMI) (Resolution 11.24) and its associated Programme of Work (POW) were adopted by CMS Parties at the Eleventh Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP11) in Quito, Ecuador (4-9 November 2014). As recommended in the Programme of Work (POW), which runs until 2020, there is a need to conduct intersessional meetings for CAMI Members every 2.5 years (Activity 4.1.5) to review implementation and discuss the way forward.

The main objective of this meeting is therefore to review implementation of activities agreed in the POW, discuss challenges, future needs as well as priorities until 2020. These will include both steps to enhance conservation action on CAMI species on the ground as well as procedural issues within CAMI such as reporting, monitoring and preparation for CMS COP13 in 2020. The workshop will also include a session to discuss ways to foster national implementation of CMS and CAMI with Government representatives and will initiate a review of the CAMI species conservation status, involving species focal points (SFPs) and other attending experts.

Expected outcomes and outputs

- 1. Review of implementation of activities from the POW, agree on priorities for implementation until 2020;
- Discussion of possibilities to monitor implementation of the POW (e.g. modes of reporting for SFPs and Governments), modes of communication, support needed from Secretariat;
- 3. Agreement on steps to prepare for COP13 (e.g. update of the POW, amending existing or submitting new Resolutions/Decisions, species listing on CMS Appendices);
- 4. Input to the CITES 70th Standing Committee meeting (1-5 October 2018, Sochi, Russian Federation);
- 5. Update of species/landscape conservation status (based on information summarized by CMS and feedback from SFPs), output to be finalized after the Workshop.

Agenda

Monday, April 16

Time	Activity
6:10 pm	Ferry to Vilm, registration
6:30 pm	Dinner
8:00 pm	Session1. Opening and welcoming remarks

Tuesday, April 17

Time	Activity
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	Session 2. Workshop aims and structure David Mallon
09:00 am	Session 3. Review of CAMI POW implementation since 2014
	3.1 Report of the Secretariat on its activities since 2014
09:20 am	3.2 Statements from Range States
11:00 am	Coffee break
11:30 am	3.3 Fence removal along the trans-Mongolian railway Lkhagvasuren Badamjav

11:50 am 3.4 Modification of the border fence between Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan to reduce impacts on Saiga migrations "Saiga crossing options" Askar Abdrakhmanov (tbc) 12:10 pm 3.5 Central Asian Mammal Migration and Infrastructure Atlas Aili Kang 12:30 pm Lunch break 14:00 pm **Session 4. Objective 1 of the CAMI Programme** of Work 14:15 pm **Session 5. Objective 1 of the CAMI Programme** of Work working groups Round 1: Objective 1 working groups Obj. 1.1. Illegal hunting and trade Obj. 1.2. Overgrazing and livestock competition Obj. 1.3. Industry and infrastructure development/barriers to movement Floating coffee break 15:15 pm Round 2: Objective 1 working groups Obj. 1.4. Good governance of natural resource management/policy and legislation and Transboundary cooperation Obj. 1.5. Human needs/community engagement in conservation Obj. 1.6. Scientific knowledge

Report of working groups and finalization of Objec-

17:30 pm

tive 1

18:30 pm Dinner

20:00 Social get-together

Wednesday, April 18

Time	Activity
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	Session 6. Objective 2 of the CAMI Programme of Work
8:45 am	Session 6. Objective 2 of the CAMI Programme of Work working groups Round 1: Objective 2 working groups: Obj. 2.1. Snow leopard and argali, mountain ecosystems – group to continue also in the second round of working groups Obj. 2.2. Gobi Desert- Eastern Steppes ecosystems Obj. 2.3. South-West region: Chinkara, Goitered gazelle, Asiatic Cheetah Obj. 2.4. Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau Floating coffee break
10:45 am	Round 2: Objective 2 Working Groups Obj. 2.1. Snow leopard and argali, mountain ecosystems Obj. 2.3. Equid group -Przewalski's horse and Wildass, Obj. 2.3. Saiga, Saiga MOU Medium Term International Work Programme (MTIWP), feedback on CITES Saiga Decision for CITES Standing Committee

	Obj. 2.5. Bukhara deer, tugai forest ecosystems
12:30 pm	Lunch
13:30 pm	Guided tour around Vilm island Andrea Strauss
15:00 pm	Coffee break
15:30 pm	Session 7. Objectives 3 & 4 of the CAMI Programme of Work
15:45 pm	Session 8. Objective 3 & 4 of the CAMI Programme of Work working groups
	Objectives 3 and 4 Working Groups:
	Obj. 3.1. Knowledge and Data sharing;
	Obj. 4.1. Coordination mechanism for CAMI plus possibility of reporting on CAMI implementation by Range States;
	Obj. 4.2. Funding implementation;
	Obj. 4.3. Raising awareness;
17:30	Reports of working groups on Objectives 3 and 4
18:30 pm	Dinner

Thursday, April 19

Time	Activity
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	Recap & objectives for the day

8:45 am	Session 9. 9.1 Session for Government representatives: Support for national implementation of CMS and CAMI – discussion Floating coffee break
10:30 am	9.2 Session for Species Focal Points and other experts: Species information summary sheets
11:30 pm	Session 10. Preparation for COP13
12:30 pm	Lunch
13:30 pm	Session 11. Summary and discussion of results <i>Floating coffee break</i>
15:00 pm	Feedback and closing remarks Evaluation
16:05 pm	Ferry to Lauterbach Mole, train to Berlin
21:51 pm	Arrival to Berlin Central train station