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REVISED WORK PLAN 2018-2020



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	Actions	Responsible Entity(ies) (Bolded names = lead)	Timeline	Funding Status	Next Steps / Roll Out Action
1	Theme: Promote implementation of relevant guidelines adopted in the frameworks of the participating MEAs Expected Result: Guidelines are integrated into decision-making				
1.1	Prepare and disseminate factsheets on ETF and key issues, briefs and information about existing decision support tools. Translate material on demand.	Coordinator , CMS, AEWA, EUROBATS Secretariats, Task Force Members	2018	Funded	Coordinator to work with ETF members to draft briefs and share for input and comment
1.2	Continue to identify relevant stakeholders in energy and financial sectors.	Coordinator , CMS Secretariat	2018	Funded	Coordinator to invite relevant stakeholders
1.3	Engage with industry and investors - build partnerships and establish pilot initiatives with industry and investors.	Coordinator , CMS Secretariat, Task Force Members	2018-2020	Unfunded / In-kind	Coordinator to continue engagement
1.4	Engage national focal points from relevant MEAs (including CBD and UNFCCC) and national energy authorities, to inform them of the work of the ETF, the AEWA/ CMS/ EUROBATS guidelines, and upcoming ETF events.	ETF member governments	2018-2020	In-kind	Government members to initiate
1.5	Host side event at CBD COP14 in Egypt	Coordinator, Egypt , AEWA, CMS, EUROBATS Secretariats	2018	In-kind	Coordinator and Egypt to initiate plan
1.6	Host side event at EUROBATS MOP in Monaco	Coordinator, EUROBATS Secretariat	2018	Unfunded / In-kind	EUROBATS Secretariat and coordinator to initiate plan and prepare event
1.7	Host side event at AEWA MOP	Coordinator, AEWA Secretariat	2018	Unfunded / In-kind	AEWA Secretariat and Coordinator to initiate plan
1.8	Track, engage with and support as appropriate CBD agenda on Mainstreaming biodiversity in the Energy Sector	Coordinator , Task Force Members	2018	Unfunded / In-kind	Coordinator to engage CBD Secretariat and provide information to ETF Members
1.9	Incorporate environmental considerations into Power Purchase Agreement templates	IRENA , Task Force Members	2018	In-kind	Member initiative. IRENA will share draft for ETF Member input
1.10	Identify opportunities for including more (environmental mitigation) costs in approval of energy developments	RGI , Task Force Members	2018	In-kind	Member initiative.

2.	Theme: Priority setting Expected Result: Work plan reflects priorities				
2.1	Review work plan annually at Energy Task Force meetings to identify additional priority activities in line with CMS Resolution 11.27 and including long term goals.	Task Force Members	2018-2020	Funded	Coordinator to initiate review
2.2	Review progress on implementing the work plan, every six months	Coordinator, Task Force Members	2018-2020	Funded	Coordinator to initiate progress review
3.	Theme: Mobilising resources Expected Result: Priority activities identified and funded				
3.1	Identify key funding priorities and opportunities.	Coordinator, CMS Secretariat, Task Force Members	2018-2020	In-kind	Responsible entities for work plan activities to identify funding gaps and opportunities
3.2	Prepare fundraising concept note(s), with input from Energy Task Force members	Coordinator, CMS Secretariat, Task Force Members	2018-2020	Funded	Coordinator to prepare based on needs identified
3.3	Liaise with potential donors to seek support for Energy Task Force activities	CMS Secretariat, Coordinator, Task Force Members	2018-2020	Funded	Member initiative
4.	Theme: Monitoring implementation and impediments to implementation Expected Result: Report on status of implementation; impediments to implementation and potential solutions identified				
4.1	Conduct survey and interviews to assess progress of CMS Parties to implement different components of AEWA/CMS/EUROBATS guidelines and identify impediments to implementation	Coordinator, AEWA, EUROBATS and CMS Secretariats, Task Force Members	2018	Unfunded / In-kind	Coordinator to develop survey and interview questions working with AEWA, EUROBATS and CMS Secretariats
4.2	Analyse existing guidelines to identify gaps and need for more technical detail; develop complementary technical notes (e.g. sensitivity mapping, thresholds, data collection and monitoring, mitigation hierarchy and powerlines).	Technical working group	2018-2019	Unfunded	Member initiative

5.	Theme: Stimulating communication and information exchange Expected Result: Task force members collaborate and share information.				
5.1	Make information about the ETF available via dedicated web space on CMS website.	Coordinator, CMS Secretariat	2018-2020	Funded	Coordinator to develop content and CMS to upload
5.2	Energy Task Force members exchange case studies, tools, lessons learnt and best practices	Task Force Members	2018-2020	ETF meetings Funded	Member initiative
	during task force meetings and through online platform (ETF Workspace).			Workspace exchange in-kind	
5.3	Deliver and record webinar series for CMS Parties, financial institutions and energy sector stakeholders, with presentations by Energy Task Force members and other experts.	Coordinator , BirdLife, RGI, WindEurope, WREN	2018-2019	Unfunded / In-kind	Coordinator to determine next steps in consultation with responsible entities
5.4	Identify relevant Best Practices in relation to powerline impacts that could be applicable in other countries. Disseminate guidelines.	RGI, EWT , Egypt, Saudi Arabia	2018	Unfunded / In-kind	Member initiative
5.5	Develop short video highlighting the role of ETF and sharing case studies/views from across ETF members.	Coordinator , CMS Secretariat, Task Force Members	2018-2019	Unfunded / In-kind	Coordinator to develop draft concept together with CMS Secretariat
5.6	Disseminate research and other ETF outputs e.g. through WREN hub and expert forum	Coordinator , Task Force Members, WREN	2018-2020	In-kind	Member initiative
5.7	Develop communications strategy for Energy Task Force	Coordinator and CMS Secretariat	2018	Funded	Coordinator to prepare draft
6.	Theme: Strengthening regional and international networks Expected Result: Strong regional and international networks				
6.1	Task Force members promote the aims of the Task Force through relevant regional and international networks.	Task Force Members	2018-2020	In-kind	Member initiative
6.2	Map priority regional and international networks	Coordinator , Task Force Members	2018	Funded	Coordinator to map priority regional and international networks

7.	Theme: Stimulating research Expected Result: Significantly increase the evidence base on which to make planning and mitigation decisions.				
7.1	Complete a global assessment of predicted impacts of large-scale renewable energy deployment on birds and mammals.	BTO , BirdLife International, IUCN, RSPB, University of Cambridge, EWT	2018	Funded	Publish 2 nd paper on global assessment, identify priority audiences, and communicate.
7.2	Develop spatial mapping tools to assess the potential risk of government commitments following the Paris Agreement, and to help show governments how they can meet their commitments with minimal impact upon biodiversity	Task Force Members , EWT, BTO, BirdLife, RSPB	2018-2019	Unfunded	Develop concept
7.3	Develop appropriate tools and guidance for developers and regulators to help them assess cumulative impact across powerlines and RETs, collaborating with CMS Scientific Council.	BTO , BirdLife , EBRD, Egypt, EWT, RGI, Saudi Arabia, Wind Europe, WREN (in consultation with consultants, developers and regulators)	2018-2020	Unfunded	To be determined
7.4	Synthesize and compare information on the impacts of different renewable energy options, and the potential for mitigating species impact.	BTO , BirdLife, Kenya, Egypt,	2018-2019	Unfunded	Organise planning meeting for interested members
7.5	Collision modelling for powerlines to identify vulnerable species globally	BTO , BirdLife , Egypt, EWT, RGI, Saudi Arabia	2018-2019	Unfunded	Organise planning meeting for interested members
7.6	Review and synthesize mitigation solutions (e.g. shut down-on-demand) across different technologies and powerlines to identify whether there is sufficient evidence to promote particular solutions, and to identify knowledge gaps for further assessment.	BirdLife South Africa , BTO, Egypt, EWT, Israel	2018-2020	Unfunded	Organise planning meeting for interested members