

## Background

The Central European lowlands population of the wolf (CEP) with its main area of distribution in Germany and western Poland continues to spread and has already reached the northern and western neighbouring countries of Germany. Moreover, it can be expected that the demographic exchange between the CEP and neighbouring populations (Baltic -, Carpathian - and Alpine population) will increase and may become established in the future.

As suggested by the Large Carnivore Initiative Europe (LCIE) a population based management across administrative borders is required to successfully implement the Habitats Directive for the wolf (and other large carnivores). For this purpose, we are inviting experts of nature conservation authorities, universities and scientific institutions from Germany and various European countries to discuss the needs and possibilities for a transboundary collaboration in the management of Central European wolves.

## Programme

### Tuesday, 10.11.2015

- 08:15 Arrival and registration / coffee
- 08:45 Welcome address
- 09:00 Introduction

### I Presentations

- 09:15 The significance of transboundary cooperation in the implementation of the Habitats Directive as regards wolf populations - with a focus on Central Europe  
*András Demeter*, EUROPEAN COMMISSION, BELGIUM
- 09:45 Wolf monitoring and management in Germany  
*Ilka Reinhardt*, LUPUS - INSTITUTE FOR WOLF MONITORING AND RESEARCH, GERMANY
- 10:15 Wolf management and monitoring in Poland  
*Sabina Nowak & Robert W. Mystajek*, ASSOCIATION FOR NATURE „WOLF“, POLAND
- 10:45 Coffee break
- 11:15 Protection and management of the large carnivores in the Czech Republic with special emphasis on the wolf  
*Jan Sima*, MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT, CZECH REPUBLIC
- 11:45 Wolf management and monitoring in Denmark  
*Hans Erik Svart*, MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOOD, NATURE AGENCY, DENMARK
- 12:15 Time for questions / short discussion
- 12:45 Lunch
- 13:45 Wolf management in Austria  
*Felix Knauer & Georg Rauer*, UNIVERSITY OF VIENNA, AUSTRIA
- 14:15 Wolf management in a federal system - the Swiss way  
*Reinhard Schnidrig*, Federal Office for the Environment - FOEN, SWITZERLAND
- 14:45 Wolves in France: population monitoring, attacks to flocks and management strategy  
*Eric Marboutin*, OFFICE NATIONAL DE LA CHASSE ET DE LA FAUNE SAUVAGE, EQUIPE „GRANDS CARNIVORES: LOUP - LYNX“, FRANCE

- 15:15 Genetic wolf monitoring in Germany  
*Carsten Nowak*, CONSERVATION GENETICS GROUP SENCKENBERG RESEARCH INSTITUTE, GERMANY
- 15:45 Time for questions / short discussion
- 16:00 Coffee break

### II Working groups

- 16:30 Working group 1:  
Status and genetics of CEP and neighbouring wolf populations  
Working group 2:  
Transboundary monitoring and management
- 18:30 End of Day 1

### Wednesday, 11.11.2015

- 08:30 Arrival / coffee
- 08:45 Introduction
- 09:00 **Working group 1 - Reporting back to plenary:**  
Status and genetics of CEP and neighbouring wolf populations
- 09:30 **Working group 2 - Reporting back to plenary:**  
Transboundary monitoring and management
- 10:00 Discussion
- 11:15 Coffee break
- 11:30 Workshop conclusions and recommendations for future cooperation and management
- 13:15 Closing remarks
- 13:30 End of Day 2/departure

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