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List of abbreviations

CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora
CMW	Convention on Migratory Species
ECA	(EU) Environmental Compliance Assurance
EA	Environment Agency England
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ENPE	European Network of Prosecutors for the Environment
EU	European Union
EU-TWIX	EU Trade in Wildlife Information Exchange
IKB	illegal taking and killing of wild migratory birds
IMPEL	European Union Network for the Implementation and Enforcement of Environmental Law
IMPEL-ESIX	IMPEL Enforcement and Stakeholders Information eXchange
LABC	LIFE Against Bird Crime
LJFN	LIFE Justice for Nature
LNG	LIFE Nature Guardians
LRFH	LIFE Reason for Hope
MIKT	Intergovernmental Task Force on Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds in the Mediterranean
NHMC	Natural History Museum of Crete
UKELA	UK Environmental Law Association
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNODC	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
WG	Working Group
WJC	Wildlife Justice Commission

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1.0 Introduction

LIFE-ENPE Project Working Groups

The LIFE-ENPE project has formed four Working Groups (WGs) to build capacity and consistency in implementing EU environmental law. The WGs have facilitated meeting the over-arching LIFE-ENPE project aim, which is: *“To improve compliance with EU environmental law by addressing uneven and incomplete implementation across Member States through improvements to the efficiency and effectiveness of prosecutors and judges in combating environmental crime”*.

The role of the WGs is to build capacity and consistency in implementing EU environmental law, with their activities forming a key preparatory Action (Action B2: Working groups to improve consistency and capacity). The WGs comprise specialists in each area of focus, the majority of whom are prosecutors, although some judges and technical specialists (non-legal) were also invited to contribute.

Over three and a half years, from December 2016 to June 2020,¹ the LIFE-ENPE WG activity has resulted in a series of awareness-raising, training and guidance outputs comprising events (e.g. workshops), training packs and webinars for onward sharing and promulgation amongst all LIFE-ENPE stakeholders.

The LIFE-ENPE project proposal sets out the methods² the WGs would need to employ to achieve this, including the convening of three workshops or meetings a year, with one coinciding with the annual conference. At each, the participants would:

- *“Explore where prosecutor and judicial capacity-building is most needed and how this can be best achieved;*
- *Examine current practices across Europe;*
- *Gather practitioner views and practical examples of the management of serious and complex cases; and*
- *Identify best practice.”*

¹ Activity extended by six months due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

² LIFE14 GIE/UK 000043 Technical Application Forms Part B – technical summary and overall context of the project, p. 60.

Working Group 1

Working Group 1 (WG1 Wildlife Crime) has been convened to address non-compliance and improve prosecution of **wildlife crime** in Europe. It comprises seven members from six countries (See Table 1.0). Over the course of the project's activity period, the group has met on seven occasions.

Table 1.0 LIFE-ENPE WG1 membership

Working Group member	Country	Role
Lars Magnusson (Chair)	Sweden	Prosecutor
Christer Jarlas	Sweden	Prosecutor
Stanislav Stoykov	Bulgaria	Prosecutor
George Almpouras	Greece	Judge
Angus Innes	UK (England)	Prosecutor
Tarjei Istad	Norway	Prosecutor
Bart Van Vossel	Belgium	Prosecutor

This WG1 Final Report provides a summary of the findings from WG1 activities, which reflect the conclusions on wildlife crime from the LIFE-ENPE Capitalisation and Gap-filling report (LIFE-ENPE Action A1 – Cap & Gap report),³ and the findings from the group's own questionnaire survey carried out in 2017 at the start of the group's activities. These findings were included in the WG1 First-stage Interim Report⁴ and the Second-stage Interim Report.⁵

It also presents the WG1 outputs, in the form of the training and awareness-raising material developed and delivered by the group, together with reporting of the group's outreach activities across Europe and beyond, to meet the LIFE-ENPE project objectives and aim.

³ LIFE-ENPE Capitalisation and Gap-filling report, March 2017.

⁴ LIFE-ENPE First-stage Interim Report, December 2017.

⁵ LIFE-ENPE Second-stage Interim Report, March 2019.

2.0 WG 1 topic, activities and findings

WG1 topic(s) of focus and activities

The LIFE-ENPE Capitalisation and Gap-filling (Cap & Gap) report was completed in March 2017 as a “baseline” report to describe the landscape of environmental crime prosecution and reporting in Europe, as a key Preparatory Action (Action A1) of the LIFE-ENPE project.

It revealed that “trafficking of wildlife and wildlife products” is the main illegal activity in Europe in this area, thus setting out an overarching “umbrella” theme under which WG1 would operate.

With the report noting that available data were “fractured and difficult to compare in any meaningful way”, and with reporting notably haphazard in many jurisdictions, the following concluding recommendations were made:

1. *“Wildlife crime should be escalated up the agenda as a genuine priority befitting of its wide implications, complexity and connection to organised crime;*
2. *All Member States should work to engage fully with the EU-TWIX⁶ database and with CITES⁷ reporting requirements in order to fill in the significant gaps in our knowledge of this crime area along with the relevant sanctions imposed across the EU;*
3. *Dedicated wildlife crime units with specially trained and knowledgeable enforcement officers should be established in all Member States;*
4. *Criminal penalties should be considered more readily as the most meaningful and robust response to cases of wildlife trafficking;*
5. *Further analysis to investigate implementation of the EU Environmental Crime Directive should be undertaken.”*

To validate (or otherwise) these conclusions, the WG1 questionnaire survey carried out in July 2017 provided more specific information on judicial cooperation and prosecution of wildlife

⁶ EU Trade in Wildlife Information Exchange, <https://www.eu-twix.org/>.

⁷ Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, <https://www.cites.org/>.

crimes in Europe, and more specifically, trafficking in endangered species. The questionnaire was sent out to 55 prosecutors involved in wildlife crime prosecutions in EU Member States and EFTA.

The responses to the questionnaire enabled the group to arrive at the following conclusions to help guide the training needs of stakeholders and the topic area(s) on which WG1 could focus:

- Good communication between wildlife crime enforcement agencies is key.
- Examples of successful prosecutions (e.g. case studies) are needed.
- Improved availability of (shared) data to assist with prosecutions would be of benefit (e.g. access to CITES/EU-TWIX data).
- Wider knowledge of endangered species and applicable legislation available to all in the chain of compliance would be of benefit.
- Specialised training of prosecutors and judges in wildlife crime is needed.

WG1 members agreed that many of the issues reported in the questionnaire could be solved by better cooperation between the authorities, such as information exchange, advice on documentation/information that is needed for the prosecution, prioritising the cases, simplifying the investigations, roles and responsibilities in the enforcement chain, and generally helping to **raise awareness** of the importance of prosecutions in this area.

As reported in the LIFE-ENPE First-state Interim report, the expertise of specialists within the group includes extensive experience in addressing the illegal taking and killing of wild migratory birds (IKB), with group members also having contributed, and contributing, to other related initiatives, organisations and projects, such as the UNEP Convention on Migratory Species (CMS), Intergovernmental Task Force on Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds in the Mediterranean (MIKT)⁸ and LIFE Reason for Hope.⁹

It was agreed that WG1 would therefore focus on **IKB**, and in particular, the **Mediterranean Region** – a region that is particularly susceptible to crimes of this type for geographical, historic and cultural reasons, all of which were significant in making IKB an issue in this region of Europe.¹⁰

Reflecting on the Cap & Gap report findings and the feedback from the questionnaire survey, the group decided to provide **training events, such as workshops**, to be followed by

⁸ <http://www.cms.int/en/taskforce/mikt>.

⁹ <https://www.rewildingeurope.com/project/life-reason-for-hope-reintroduction-of-the-northern-bald-ibis/>.

¹⁰ Source: Birdlife International, LIFE-ENPE and CMS Segovia workshop, May 2018.

shareable outputs including **awareness-raising and training packs** to be disseminated to stakeholders across Europe in order to assist in tackling environmental crimes of this type.

The group would interrogate the available information from their own jurisdictions, as well as those of the wider ENPE membership network, and seek intelligence from leading organisations and projects involved in the fight against bird crime to **highlight common criminal practices** in Europe, and **methods to tackle them**.

It was also agreed that ongoing WG participant involvement in related projects would continue, in order to ensure that any training and guidance developed by the group would not duplicate anything that had gone before or was planned in future. [NB: networking with such projects throughout WG activity in the LIFE-ENPE project was identified as important for WG1¹¹].

To enable maximum exposure of and attendance at the training events and to realise savings and efficiencies in delegate participation, travel and accommodation, WG1 undertook the organisation, convening and hosting of two workshops addressing IKB, in conjunction with the UNEP CMS, and featuring latest techniques and technologies in the fight against this type of wildlife crimes in the Mediterranean region.

The first of these was provided for LIFE-ENPE and CMS stakeholders on 09–11 May 2018 in Segovia, Spain,¹² and the second was due to be held in Naples in May 2020.¹³ All ENPE association members from the target Mediterranean region were included, together with specialist enforcement officers dealing with bird crime. Acknowledging the initiative of MIKT, which is co-ordinated under CMS, the group invited and welcomed the participation of Middle Eastern and North African representatives.

The CMS, also known as the Bonn Convention, represents the only global treaty providing a specific framework for parties, intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations and institutions, for the coordinated and concerted conservation and management of migratory species and their habitats. The CMS Secretariat was therefore a critical partner in the training events.

Thirty-seven delegates attended the first workshop, with prosecutors and senior enforcement personnel from most European Mediterranean-bordering or island countries, and two Middle Eastern and three North African Mediterranean-bordering countries attending. The same number, together with Italian colleagues, were due to attend the second workshop, which had been planned for May 2020 at the Carabinieri Headquarters in Naples, Italy, but which was cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

¹¹ LIFE-ENPE WG1 Second-stage Interim Report, March 2019.

¹² LIFE-ENPE and CMS Segovia Workshop Report, May 2018.

¹³ LIFE-ENPE and CMS Naples Workshop, 22 May 2020, was cancelled because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The first WG1 training workshop – Segovia, Spain, 09–11 May 2018

The training commenced with scene-setting, the focus placed on the extent of the problem in the Mediterranean region, the motives and techniques used by offenders, and concluded by profiling the intelligence and information web networks available to regional enforcement personnel.

The first part included discussion of the extent of the problem, including examples from within and outside Europe, with an outline of the obligations of EU countries under the Wild Birds Directive provided by the Nature Unit of the Directorate General for Environment of the European Commission. Additional detail was provided on the applicable EU Birds and Habitats Directives. It was emphasised that *enforcement* and *cooperation between enforcing authorities*, across national boundaries, were key to tackling the IKB problem in Europe.

The focus remained on the IKB problem, with facts and figures on the extent of the killing provided by Birdlife international, an NGO involved in the conservation of birds worldwide that has conducted research into this area.

The African–Eurasian flyway, the migratory route that so many migrating wild birds must take, was also examined in the context of IKB and in particular with reference to the many peripheral Mediterranean countries that it covers (e.g. the North African countries of Tunisia, Morocco, Algeria and the near-Eastern countries of Lebanon and Cyprus).

The key figures resulting from the research were an average of 24 million birds illegally killed or taken annually in the region, of which the great majority are migratory birds. Of these 20 million are passerines – mainly small song birds.

The first part of the workshop concluded with an introduction to the participants of the IMPEL-ESIX¹⁴ and EU-TWIX intelligence and information exchange systems – a vital relationship in the sharing of intelligence to tackle IKB.

The second part (and bulk) of the training focused on the case studies of successful prosecutions from a number of countries in the region, including North Africa, and specific discussion sessions on important enforcement topics. This part also included reports on enforcement structures from participating countries and a “restricted” session open only to prosecutors and enforcement personnel in order to encourage open discussions.

The third part of the training included a very important session titled “Working with NGOs” – evidenced to be critical to ensuring successful prosecutions.

¹⁴ Enforcement and Stakeholders Information eXchange, <https://www.impel-esix.eu>.



Panoramic view of the workshop session, Day 1: 09 May 2018

See the awareness-raising training in Annex 1.0 below. Overall, the key messages from the training workshop, as listed in the report, were:

- *Specialist prosecutors greatly enhance the fight against IKB.*
- *The creation of specialised police forces, or their equivalent with police-like powers, greatly increases the possibility of success in the fight against wildlife crime and illegal killing of birds in particular. Spain's SEPRONA provides a good example.*
- *Both the above are most effective when part of a national commitment by the relevant governmental ministries and departments, and with underpinning of modern and effective legislation.*
- *International cooperation on what is a regional, European, Middle Eastern and African problem is vital.*
- *Addressing wildlife crime requires specific training; this workshop delivered an important example in this regard.*
- *Legislation (e.g. on hunting) requires improvement in some countries to enable prosecutors/investigators to clearly distinguish between legal hunting and poaching (which is, in effect, IKB).*
- *The readiness of attendees to initiate and/or support the development of, or proposals for the amendment of, national legislation and to assist relevant ministries/authorities in their countries exists and would increase the effectiveness of enforcement against IKB.*
- *Intensification of international cooperation beyond the European network is intended.*
- *The Intergovernmental Task Force on IKB in the Mediterranean under CMS (MIKT) can play a vital role as a platform for international cooperation.*

The second WG1 training workshop – Naples 18–19 May 2020

It was not possible to proceed with this workshop due to the risks associated with the global Covid-19 pandemic affecting Europe and the world from March 2020. Instead, in June 2020 the training slides which were due to be delivered at the workshop were refined and updated and shared remotely with all ENPE members and planned participants for onward promulgation within participant and ENPE member jurisdictions (Annex 2.0).

3.0 Conclusions and recommendations

Conclusions

The activities of WG1 over the period 2016–2020 have made a significant contribution to the LIFE-ENPE project aim. The geographical spread of group members, the alignment of their collective expertise, and collaboration with other initiatives such as the CMS to focus on crimes related to IKB (see p. 14 below), has meant that the training provided by the group has been both comprehensive and well-received.

Furthermore, the ongoing WG participant involvement in related projects (e.g. MIKT; EU-TWIX; related LIFE-funded projects – see p. 14 below), for the duration of the group’s activities, has ensured that the training and guidance developed by the group in this area represents the very latest thinking and does not duplicate anything that has gone before, or is planned. Wildlife crime represents a priority area for the EU, with WG1’s activities feeding into their areas of focus for environmental crime policy.¹⁵

The expansion of the group’s activities to include North African and Near-Eastern states has been an unforeseen and welcome benefit, and has resulted in ENPE membership extending beyond Europe, for the first time into Africa (Morocco). Given the transnational nature of the problem of IKB, this is an important development in the fight against these crimes where collaboration between prosecutors and enforcement bodies is vital to success.¹⁶

In terms of Government policy, the work of WG1 has revealed that there is clearly room for improvement across the chain of compliance, such as the need for appropriate and suitable administrative inspections, where political will, rather than education, is the main barrier.

In summary, LIFE-ENPE WG1, in its activities, outputs and growing reputation, has contributed significantly to the LIFE-ENPE project. We look forward to the continuation of the group into the “After-LIFE” period where the fight against wildlife crime can continue.

¹⁵ EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030, https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/communication-annex-eu-biodiversity-strategy-2030_en.pdf.

¹⁶ LIFE-ENPE WG1 First-stage Interim Report – Questionnaire survey results.

4.0 Outreach and next steps

The LIFE-ENPE project is based on sharing information and developing best practice for dissemination. The awareness-raising and training outputs from the four WGs, together with their onward promulgation through outreach activities to end users, are key elements to completing Action B2.

These outreach activities, required for each WG, are specified and quantified in the LIFE-ENPE proposal (Technical Application Forms Part B – technical summary and overall context of the project) on p. 62:

- *“Presentations on working group findings at 3 ENPE conferences with at least 75 delegates attending;*
- *Four suites of training materials for prosecutors and judges on the working group topics, which will include: training presentation slides; guidance on minimum standards and best practice; and case studies;*
- *Dissemination of working group outputs to prosecution and/or judicial organisation in at least 30 states;*
- *Dissemination of training materials through 1 website and SharePoint, receiving at least 50 hits per month;*
- *Training sessions based on working group outputs, delivered through seminars, webinars, and working with third-party training organisations, to at least 20 organisations by the end of the project; and*
- *Improvements in the capacity and consistency of environmental prosecutors and judges through at least 10 agencies adopting ENPE best practice in their environmental crime work.”*

All of the above requirements and milestones were met by the groups, as evidenced in the figures provided in the outreach activities table below (Table 2.0).

WG1 and the Bern Convention and Convention for Migratory Species (CMS)

Given the similar focus and overarching objective of tackling IKB in the Mediterranean region, WG1 has worked particularly closely with the Bern Convention and CMS, their contracting partners and stakeholders to ensure effective collaboration in the fight against IKB.

This close collaboration includes ENPE as a network being a recognised Observer organisation,¹⁷ with WG1 specialists offering input and technical guidance in the drafting of the Rome Strategic Plan 2020–30,¹⁸ an initiative supported by the European Commission and the Council for Europe to stop IKB in Europe.

This plan follows years of preparatory work from all parties involved to set the strategic direction in Europe and calls for a zero-tolerance approach to IKB from all European countries. It also calls for strategic agreements between environmental regulators in the areas of concern (including the Mediterranean region) to remove IKB from the flyways used by migratory species.

Implementation of the plan is linked to a series of objectives, with awareness-raising and sharing of information being a key theme. The LIFE-ENPE project, through WG1 input, has made a significant contribution to this plan, via attendance at workshops, meetings, training events and consultation of draft versions of the report.

Collaboration with other projects and initiatives with similar objectives

In addition, WG1 has collaborated with, and contributed to events, activities and outputs of, the following projects and initiatives during its activities in the context of meeting the LIFE-ENPE B2 objectives:

- **EU-TWIX** – a European-based support system developed for the exclusive use of wildlife law officials, represented by a network of 885 officials from 36 countries,¹⁹ with reciprocal access provided to the EU-TWIX and ENPE crime databases.
- **LIFE Nature Guardians (LNG) LIFE 17 GIE/ES/000630 – Formal Declaration and Letter of Support** provided by ENPE to the project in August 2016; LNG project team member attending and presenting at the Segovia training workshop 09–11 May 2018.

¹⁷ The Bern Convention gives general official Observer status to NGOs at both European and national levels (approximately 120 organisations as of 2019).

¹⁸ Rome Strategic Plan 2020-2030: Eradicating Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade in Wild Birds in Europe and the Mediterranean Region.

¹⁹ EU-TWIX – A tool to inform and support judges for the environment and environmental prosecutors in Europe.

- **LIFE Against Bird Crime (LABC) LIFE 17 GIE/NL/000599** – sharing of Segovia workshop report and LIFE-ENPE participation in the LABC Advisory Group.
- **LIFE Reason for Hope (LRFH) LIFE 12 BIO/AT/000143 – Declaration of Cooperation** signed April 2018; LRFH presentations provided at: Segovia workshop May 2018; ENPE annual conference 2018; ENPE annual conference 2019; ENPE Benefits workshop 2020; Segovia training workshop awareness-raising slides February 2020.
- **LIFE Justice for Nature – You Have Right to Effective Protection of Nature (LJFN) LIFE 15 GIE/PL/000758** – Exchange of project information and invitation received to attend final conference (TBC); Segovia training workshop awareness-raising slides February 2020.
- **LIFE NATURA THEMIS LIFE14/GIE/GR/000026 – Declaration of Cooperation** – signed September 2016; networking visit including presentations and meetings, June 2018; joint annual conference convened October 2018; presentation at LIFE-ENPE WG2 and WG3 Nicosia training workshop, March 2019; presentation at ENPE annual conference 2019.

Outreach

As well as collaborating with other projects, WG1 has participated fully in a number of events, activities and initiatives in order to share the work and findings of the group with the widest possible audience, via outreach activities which may or may not be directly connected to the LIFE-ENPE project.

These activities are acknowledged as an important part of the LIFE-ENPE reporting and have been recorded as part of this report.

A full table of outreach activities undertaken by WG1 is included below in Table 2.0.

Next steps

The LIFE-ENPE After-LIFE report²⁰ sets out the activities and linked objectives to be undertaken and met once the LIFE-funded project has finished in July 2020. WG1 has contributed significantly to the planning of these activities through ongoing close working links with the Environmental Compliance Assurance (ECA) initiative, including the recently launched EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030²¹ and collaborative working with the projects and initiatives set out above.

²⁰ LIFE-ENPE After-LIFE report, September 2020.

²¹ https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/communication-annex-eu-biodiversity-strategy-2030_en.pdf.

Furthermore, more specific WG1 undertakings, including designated actions relating to LIFE-ENPE training and awareness-raising, have been identified for possible continuation in working with other projects where synergies have been identified and can be acted upon, for example, the SWiPE project²² and LIFE Reason for Hope II.

It is hoped and expected that the group will continue as an entity and in its successful work in improving the fight against wildlife crime in Europe and beyond.

²² Successful Wildlife Crime Prosecution in Europe – SWiPE, a WWF Bulgaria-led LIFE project.

Table 2.0 LIFE-ENPE WG1 Summary of outreach activities 2017–2019

Key including number of delegates trained/recipients of awareness-raising or guidance

	Training/awareness-raising shared passively to stakeholders; number in receipt: 500+ (estimate)
	Training/awareness-raising delivered directly to delegates face to face; number in receipt of training: 396
	Training/awareness-raising delivered virtually e.g. by webinar; number in receipt of training: 90
	Meeting where WG2 training/awareness-raising outputs discussed or shared; number present: 76
	Total number of delegates trained and recipients of awareness-raising and guidance delivered/issued by WG1: 1,062

Date of communication	Communication type	Nature of communication/ event title	Who met with/ sent/spoke/ presented on behalf of the WG?	Who was present at the meeting/ event (include number of delegates)?	What was said/ delivered on behalf of the WG?
13 September 2016	Document/ agreement	Declaration of cooperation signed between LIFE-ENPE and IFE14/GIE/GR/000026 LIFE Natura Themis	Peter Ashford	Declaration was signed remotely by each party	Sharing of project objectives, in particular the work planned for WG1.

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22–23 June 2017	Workshops/events/ media	Joint meeting of the Bern Convention, Network on the Eradication of Illegal Killing, Trapping and Trade in Wild Birds (IKB) and the UN Environment/CMS (Bonn Convention) Intergovernmental Task Force on the Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds in the Mediterranean (MIKT)	Angus Innes (EA) representing LIFE-ENPE WG1 (Wildlife)	2 conventions; Maltese govt; 14 EU countries; EC DG Environment; 4 Middle-Eastern and 5 North African countries; other conventions; convention working and scientific advisory groups; UNODC; Interpol; Europol; 9 major bird NGOs – including Birdlife International. approx. 80 delegates	Update on WG1 and to receive updates from member countries on progress with IKB and MIKT; to receive input from NGOs and specialist Observers on the same subject; and to approve a “Scoreboard” which will be used by both conventions as part of their plans of action.
20–21 September 2017	Conference	EU Environmental Crime Enforcement Networks Conference; Magdalen College, Oxford	LIFE-ENPE WG1 Chair and Members; Lars Magnusson (LM) presented on WG1 activities	155 delegates from around Europe and the world, comprising prosecutors, judges, police and other enforcement professionals	ENPE President Anne Brosnan (AB) chaired the conference alongside the IMPEL and EnviCrimeNet Chairs; LIFE-ENPE WGs presented updates as required; ENPE Board members

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					moderated plenary and breakout sessions
29 November 2017	Articles/Updates	ENPE wildlife crimes database details and website shared with EU-TWIX (TRAFFIC organisation) mailing list	Peter Ashford	All recipients of EU-TWIX mailing items	Noted the ENPE wildlife crimes database in the context of the EU action plan against wildlife trafficking and invited those receiving the email to register on the ENPE website for inputting case details on the crimes database.
23 April 2018	Workshops/ Events/Media	Borja Heredia CMS attending Birdlife International Flyways summit, Abu Dhabi	Borja Heredia, on behalf of ENPE, noted the forthcoming Segovia workshop (WG1)	Borja Heredia, CMS shared details with delegates at the Flyways Summit (number unknown)	Brief details of the upcoming joint LIFE-ENPE WG1 and CMS workshop.
26 April 2018	Declaration/ agreement signed	Johannes Fritz representing the Fördereverein Waldrappteam as coordinating beneficiary implementing the project LIFE12 BIO/AT/000143 LIFE Reason for Hope project, signed a declaration of cooperation with SR, representing the EA as coordinating beneficiaries of the LIFE-ENPE project	Shaun Robinson (SR)	Johannes Fritz, representing LIFE12 BIO/AT/000143 LRFH project (declaration signed remotely by both parties)	Segovia training workshop was discussed and LRFH had committed to attending and presenting.

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04 May 2018	Meeting	International teleconference with Ben O'Donnell of NEEMO to discuss forthcoming WG1 workshop in Segovia for LIFE publication	SR; Angus Innes, Ben O'Donnell (NEEMO)	Ben O'Donnell, NEEMO outlining the background, context and aims of the workshop in Segovia	Overview of the forthcoming workshop including programme, speakers, objectives and delegates attending.
09–11 May 2018	Workshops/ Events/Media	Workshop for government prosecutors (including senior investigators/enforcement managers) on the illegal killing, trapping and trade in migratory wild birds in the Mediterranean region	LM; SR; Angus Innes	37 delegates from Europe and North Africa, mainly comprising prosecutors involved in the prosecution of environmental crimes against wild birds, but also NGOs, government representatives and specialists	ENPE and the LIFE-ENPE project were referred to on a regular basis, given that it was the main organiser. An introduction to the project and in particular WG1 (Wildlife crime) was provided at the start of the workshop by LM (workshop Chair).
08 June 2018	Articles/Updates	EU LIFE and Wildlife Crime publication	LM	Publication circulation list, including ENPE Board	An overview of ENPE work including detail on the Segovia workshop and quotes from LM.

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25 June 2018	Meeting	Networking visit by LIFE-ENPE to Natura Themis, including meeting and presentations and visit to joint conference venue	SR	LIFE Natura Themis project team members: 6	Overview of ENPE work, in particular the work and proposed outputs of WG1.
23–24 October 2018	Workshops/ Events/Media	ENPE annual conference – joint event with LRFH; LIFE Natura Themis; IMPEL Water crimes at NHMC Heraklion	All ENPE Board, LIFE-ENPE Board, 17 Members; 14 WG Members	104 specialists including water crimes expert group	ENPE hosted (AB chaired), all WG Chairs presented updates; specialist presentation from Jan Van den Berghe.
05 December 2018	Personal contact	WWF Bulgaria Crime Research – email to Shaun Robinson to find out about ENPE and WG1 (Wildlife Crimes)	SR answered questions via email	Roselina Peneva of WWF Bulgaria; SR responded to the questions; LM also copied in	Questions relating to ENPE objectives, metrics, challenges.
09 February 2019	Personal contact	All WG Interim reports and Segovia report sent to Serbian CITES authority contacts following request via TRAFFIC	SR sent out the reports via email to Pavle Jovanovic	Recipients of the training to prosecutors relating to wildlife crimes to be delivered by the CITES authority	All references to ENPE included in the literature.
07 May 2019	Workshops/ Events/Media	Angus Innes presented to UKELA Seminar on Wildlife Crime; UK	Full presentation on ENPE, LIFE-ENPE and WG1 work in particular	All UKELA delegates attending: 40 (approx.)	Summary of ENPE and LIFE-ENPE project (objectives, budget, outputs etc.

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			provided by Angus Innes		
08–11 May 2019	Workshops/ Events/Media	CMS MIKT; Rome; Italy	Angus Innes attended and presented in behalf of ENPE	CMS Bern convention; project specialists; prosecutors; inspectors; judges: 50 (approx.)	ENPE and LIFE-ENPE activities (overview) specific focus on wildlife crime and the Segovia training workshop in particular.
05 September 2019	Workshops/ Events/Media	ENPE and LIFE-ENPE WG1 collated comments provided to CMS on IKB Strategic Plan (Rome workshop)	Angus Innes	CMS IKB Strategic Plan	LIFE-ENPE WG 1 and ENPE comments.
30 September 2019	Personal contact	Veronika Kiss, Ecosystems Evaluation (EU LIFE programme contractor) contacted LIFE-ENPE (SR) for socio-economic feedback on LRFH project	SR shared contact and questions with LM and Angus Innes of LIFE-ENPE WG1	Veronika Kiss, Ecosystems Evaluation; Angus Innes and LM, LIFE-ENPE project (WG1)	Feedback and opinion on socio-economic impacts of LRFH project as part of post-project appraisal.
02 October 2019	Personal contact	Swedish EPA (Britt Forsen)	Contacted SR to enquire about WG1 (Segovia) IKB training pack	Britt Forsen, Swedish EPA	SR checked with WG1 and confirmed that sharing would be possible. Also shared ENPE newsletter (Issue 10).

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28–30 October 2019	Workshops/ Events/Media	ENPE annual conference in conjunction with Eurojust	All ENPE Board members (apart from Jean-Philippe Rivaud), SR and LIFE-ENPE Board members	100 delegates from all over Europe and beyond; 32 countries represented; 65 different organisations involved in prosecuting environmental crimes	All LIFE-ENPE WG updates and outputs (x4); animation training (WG2) shared; general updating on all ENPE activities.
23 January 2020	Meeting	ENPE (SR) met with Pieter Mohr of the Wildlife Justice Commission to discuss common objectives and possible future collaboration	SR	Pieter Mohr of the WJC	Overview presentation (ppt) provided by SR including details of the ENPE network and LIFE-ENPE project.
19 December 2019	Emailed training pack	Training pack/awareness-raising slides	LM (WG1 Chair)	All ENPE members (x37); all workshop delegates and presenters (x37)	Introductory and general information on IKB in the Mediterranean region – from prosecutors training workshop held in Segovia, Spain, May 2018.

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28 January 2020 and February 05 2020	Emailed training pack	Training pack/awareness-raising slides	LM (WG1 Chair)	LNG; LABC; LRFH; LJFN	Introductory and general information on IKB in the Mediterranean region – from prosecutors training workshop held in Segovia, Spain, May 2018.

Annex 1.0 WG1 presentations

[Previously shared – see First and Second Stage interim reports, ENPE website]

Annex 2.0 WG1 training materials

Introduction and General information Pack IKB (ENPE) Parts I and II are available in pdf format from the ENPE website

Segovia workshop training pack (1) & (2) are for limited circulation only. Please send requests for access to shaun.robinson@environment-agency.gov.uk.

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