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The preparation of the QSR2016 and the State of Conservation Report 2016 was discussed by the TG-WH, TG-MM and the QSR Editorial Board.

Based upon these discussions, TG-WH and TG-MM have prepared a proposal for the procedure and responsibilities for the production and contents of the QSR and the SoC. See also the TG-WH and TG-MM reports.

**Proposal: The meeting is invited to adopt the proposals contained in the document**

**QSR and SoC 2016**

Below, proposals by TG-MM and TG-WH are listed for the production and contents of the QSR Thematic Reports, the QSR Synthesis Report and the World Heritage State of Conservation Report.

**QSR Thematic Reports**

Both the QSR Synthesis Report and the SoC will be based upon the QSR Thematic Reports for which currently authors are being selected. A list of envisaged thematic reports, authors and co-authors is in Annex 1.

Production of the thematic reports

TG-MM is responsible for the overall supervision of the production of the Thematic Reports. The QSR Editorial Board is responsible for the coordination of the production, as well as the selection of lead authors and co-authors.

Contents of the Thematic Reports

The lead authors and co-authors are responsible for the contents of the Thematic Reports.The Editorial Board is responsible for the quality control and coherence of the Thematic Reports.

OUV assessment

The Thematic Reports contain an analysis of the status of the respective Ecotargets. In addition to the Target analysis, an assessment according to the UNESCO OUV criteria is needed, as a basis for the SoC report.

The OUV assessment will be carried out as one overall assessment by the CWSS under the responsibility of the QSR Editorial Board. This has the advantage that one coherent methodology is applied.

**QSR Synthesis Report**

The QSR Synthesis is an integrated analysis of the contents of the Thematic Chapters. The QSR Synthesis will be prepared by (part of) the QSR Editorial Board, which is also responsible for the contents.

**SoC Report**

The SoC Report is prepared by the CWSS under the responsibility of the Task Group World Heritage. The OUV analysis, prepared by the QSR Editorial Board, will be an important input to the SoC report. Both TG-WH and TG-MM will be responsible for the contents of the final draft SoC Report that is submitted to the WSB for final approval.

**Time schedule**

The time schedule for the preparation of the Thematic Reports, the Synthesis Report and the SoC Report is in Annex 2.

Thematic Chapters and potential lead and co-authorships **ANNEX I**

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| **#** | **Thematic Chapter** | **Lead author** | **Co-Author** |
| 1 | Introduction (Protection / Management) | CWSS |  |
| 2 | Landscape and Culture | NL: Schroor | WSF, Jöns, Ratter |
| 3 | Coastal Defense | TG-C | Wurpts |
| 4 | Harbors & Shipping | DK?, Consultant | WSF? RWS, von Bargen |
| 5 | Fisheries | DE: Nehls / Bioconsult | IMARES, Haslob |
| 6 | Tourism | TG-STS | DK, Schmoll, Wemken |
| 7 | Military activities | CWSS |  |
| 8 | Energy: Oil, gas, wind energy | ?Consultant | RWS: J. Bakker, Machetanz, Ahrens |
| 9 | Extraction / Dredging | DE: Nehls | RWS: Mulder, Wurpts, de Vries |
| 10 | Marine Litter | DE: Gutow | Fach AG, Fleet, van Franeker, RWS van Loon, Oosterbaan, Schupp, Dau, Gerdts |
| 11 | Climate change | NL: Oost | TG-C; Meinke |
| 12 | Climate - ecosystems | NL: Philippart/Folmer? |  |
| 13 | Heavy metal, xenobiotics | NL: Bakker | Lüerßen, Knaack, Kolbe |
| 14 | Contaminants in bird Eggs | DE: Becker | Schupp, J. Bakker |
| 15 | Oil pollution and seabirds | DE: Fleet | Camphuysen, Heckroth, Fitz |
| 16 | Eutrophication | DE: Beusekom | RWS: Ruiter, Bellert, Grage |
| 17 | Alien Species | DE: Buschbaum | RWS: Kabuta, WG Alien Species, Jensen, Wehrmann, Rhode, Isermann |
| 18 | Salt Marshes | NL: van Duin | Salt Marshes & Dunes EG (Esselink, Kers), Ahrens |
| 19 | Geomorphology | NL: RWS / Oost | Wurpts |
| 20 | Macrozoobenthos | NL: Drent | Kröncke, Schückel, Scheiffarth, Herlyn, Grotjahn, IMARES |
| 21 | Beds of blue mussels and Pacific oysters | NL: Folmer | Schückel, Troost, Millat, Büttger, Wehrmann |
| 22 | Seagrass | DE: Dolch | Folmer, Kolbe, Adolph |
| 23 | Subtidal habitats | DE: Vorberg | WIMO, Troost, Schroeder, Bartholomä, Millat, Grotjahn, Mascioli |
| 24 | Fish | DK: Jepsen | Tulp, Expert Group (to be installed), Scholle, Haslob, Mosch, Brandt, Dänhardt |
| 25 | Beaches and Dunes | NL: Lammerts | de Groot, Salt Marshes & Dunes Expert Group, Isermann |
| 26 | Estuaries | DE: Schuchardt / Scholle |  |
| 27 | Breeding Birds | NL: Koffijberg | JMBB, Knipping, Corman |
| 28 | Migratory Birds/Flyway | DE: Blew | JMMB, WSFI, SOVON, Südbeck, Exo |
| 29 | Marine Mammals | DK: Jensen | TSEG, van den Bosch |

**ANNEX II**

The time schedule for the preparation of the Thematic Reports, the Synthesis Report and the SoC Report

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| month | **5** | **6** | **7** | **8** | **9** | **10** | **11** | **12** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** | **6** | **7** | **8** | **9** | **10** | **11** | **12** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** | **6** |
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| **Thematic Reports** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Authors recruitment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| drafting chapters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OUV assessment of chapters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| data available in information system |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| implementation online |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Synthesis report** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Drafting process |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Final draft |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Publication |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **State of Conservation Report** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Drafting process |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Final draft |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Submission |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |