



Workings Session: Vulture Guidance

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Overall

- It is ambitious, but we believe that for this species group is feasible
 - This is probably the only raptor sp. group for which a this kind of coherent document can be prepared.
 - Most of the information is available and well structured
- Merging this mission with the mission for development of the general guidance might complicate the work.
- Priority needs to be given to the research and conservation projects chapter
 - The introduction and species account part can be prepared at the end

Member of the group committed to provide specific comments to the vulture best practice guidance template, we all agreed that we need to improve the structure of the “research and conservation projects” section





Goal / Objectives

Goal:

Provide a best practice guidance by compiling of available data and protocols for vulture research and conservation in order to increase capacities across Europe

Objectives:

- *Best practice protocols on collection of contextual data (monitoring, ringing, marking (tags), international database, etc.)*
- *Best practice protocols for sampling*
- *Guidance for practical implementation (recommendations on: legislation, equipment, training etc.)*
- *Facilitate international collaboration and networking*





What/How?

- Some important documents (protocols) are not available in English
 - Short note providing summary and explaining that the doc is available only in X language.
- This mission requires good host organization and good supervision
 - Two meetings in person (in the beginning and close to the end of the mission) – check COST funding rules
 - Organize weekly skype meeting to plan and supervise short term task
- Identify the right person (highly motivated person)
 - Secure more applications
 - Attractive announcement - dissemination on website (VCF and others) and social media

