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National meetings on the setting-up of the Emerald Network
in the Russian Federation

13-15 May 2014
Saint Petersburg, Russian Federation

AGENDA

Preparatory bilateral meeting Council of Europe/CPO “Biologists for Nature Conservation”

Monday, 12 May 2014

14:00 – 17:00	Preparatory meeting
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National Technical Seminar for the setting-up of the Emerald Network of areas of Special Conservation Interest in the Russian Federation

Tuesday, 13 May 2014

9:00 – 09:30	Registration
9:30 – 10:00	Opening and welcoming remarks <i>Mrs Iva Obretenova</i> , Council of Europe, Secretariat of the Bern Convention <i>Mr Rustam Sagitov</i> , Director, CPO “Biologists for Nature Conservation”
10:00 – 10:30	Presentation of the proposed and candidate Emerald sites in the Russian Federation by the end of January 2014 <i>Mr Nikolay Sobolev</i> , Scientific director, Russian Emerald Team
10:30 – 11:30	2013 Emerald Database of the Russian Federation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Findings of the QA/QC report• Reference database• Challenges ahead <i>Mr Marc Roekaerts</i> , Expert, Council of Europe
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee break
12:00 – 13:00	Questions and debate session
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:00	Emerald as a network <i>Mr. Otars Opermanis</i> , Expert, Council of Europe
15:00 – 16:00	Presentations by members of the national Emerald team in the Russian Federation
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee-break
16:15 – 17:30	Revision and improvement of the Emerald Database for the Russian Federation: way forward Exchange of views and discussion

Meeting of regional nature conservation authorities in European Russia on the setting-up of the Emerald Network

Wednesday, 14 May 2014

9:00 – 09:30	Registration
9:30 – 10:10	Opening and welcoming remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vice-governor of the Leningrad oblast (<i>Mr. Sergey Jakhnjuk</i>)• Representative of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of Russian Federation (<i>Ms. Maria Dronova / Mr. Anton Mezhev</i>)• Rector of Leningrad State University (<i>Mr. Vjacheslav Skvortsov</i>)• Council of Europe, Secretariat of the Bern Convention (<i>Mrs. Iva</i>)

	<i>Obretenova)</i>
10:10 – 10:30	The Bern Convention of the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats <i>Mrs Iva Obretenova</i> , Council of Europe, Secretariat of the Bern Convention
10:30 – 10:45	The Emerald Network: legal framework and methodology <i>Mrs. Iva Obretenova</i> , Programme manager, Council of Europe, Secretariat of the Bern Convention
10:45 – 11:00	Emerald priorities: designation first, then management <i>Mr Otars Opermanis</i> , Expert, Council of Europe
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 11:45	The Emerald Network setting-up process in Norway: state of play and current challenges <i>Mr Tore Opdahl</i> , Senior Advisor, Section for Natural Heritage, Norwegian Environment Agency
11:45 – 12:00	Barents Protected Area Network Project and Natura-2000 in Finland. <i>Mr. Tapio Lindholm</i> , Leading expert, Finnish Environment Institute
12:00 – 12:15	Basis for implementation of the Emerald Network Project in Russia <i>Mr Rustam Sagitov</i> , Director, CPO “Biologists for Nature Conservation”
12:15 – 12:30	Results and further tasks of the Emerald Network Project in Russia <i>Mr Nikolay Sobolev</i> , Scientific director, Russian Emerald Team
12:30 – 12:45	Public participation in the implementation of the Emerald Network in European Russia <i>Mr Arkady Tishkov</i> , Vice-Chair, Commission for Environmental Management of the Russian Geographical Society
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 14:45	Debate session
15:00 – 18:30	Field research trip

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Thursday, 15 May 2014

9:00 – 9:15	Bern Convention in Russia: perspectives and problems. <i>Mr Valery Orlov</i> , Expert
9:15 – 9:45	Adaptation of Pan-European conservation priorities to Russian conditions <i>Mr Nikolay Sobolev</i> , Scientific director, Russian Emerald Team
9:45 – 10:00	Setting-up of the Emerald Network: example of Leningrad Oblast <i>Mr. Fedor Stulov</i> , Head of SPNA Division, <i>Mrs Nadezhda Alexeeva</i> , Advisor, Committee for Natural Resources of the Leningradskaya Oblast’
10:00 – 10:15	Improvement of the protection status of potential Emerald sites <i>Mrs Irina Danilova</i> , Director, SPNA Directorate of Novgorodskaya Oblast’
10:15 – 10:30	Identification of potential Emerald Sites in Vologodskaya Oblast’. <i>Mrs. Nadezhda Maksutova</i> , Head of Department, Vologda State Pedagogical University
10:30– 10:45	Identification of potential Emerald Sites in the Republic of Dagestan. <i>Mr. Ramazan Murtazaliev</i> , Head of Laboratory, RAS Mountain Botanical Garden

10:45 – 11:00	Habitat types of European importance in the Russian Emerald Network <i>Mrs Elena Belonovskaya</i> , RAS Institute of Geography
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 11:45	Habitat types of European importance in the Kola Peninsula <i>Mrs Natalia Koroleva</i> , RAS Polar-Alpine Botanical Garden, Appatity
11:45 – 12:00	Principles of nature-ecological diversity protection and organization of ecological networks in Eurasia <i>Mrs. Tatiana Rogova</i> , <i>Mrs Galya Shaikhutdinova</i> , Privolzhskiy (Kazan) State University
12:00 – 12:15	Some considerations for a successful preparation of the assessment of the Emerald Network sites in European Russia <i>Mrs Elena Pushai</i> , Tver State University
12:15 – 12:30	PAs as a didactic resource and educational space for professional training of students. <i>Mrs. Tatiana Komissarova</i> , Professor, Leningrad State University
12:30 – 13:00	Questions and debate session
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:15	Questions and debate session
15:15 – 15:30	Coffee-break
15:30 – 17:30	Conclusions and further work