Workshop report









Development of national lists for Turkey for habitats and species of the Habitats Directive





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1. Introduction

The Turkish Anatolian region is not yet covered in Annex I and II of the Habitats Directive or Annex I of the Birds Directive. This is unlike the Mediterranean and Black Sea biogeographical regions, which were covered by other EU-member states (like Greece and Bulgaria). The final workshop, as one part of the overall project, aimed at learning from experiences in the Netherlands and other EU Member States (study-tour) with regard to development of the National Lists of the Habitats Directive. The workshop in Turkey, discussed a plan that provides an overview of the necessary steps towards the development of a National List for Natura 2000 habitats and species. After the study tour (where expertise on how the *Reference Lists* for bio-geographical regions have been developed and how different Member States anticipated in their development of National Lists; approach, methodology, not only in the Netherlands), this final workshop aimed at the joint preparation of a methodology and a first draft set of guidelines for National List development in Turkey. This workshop focused on definition and discussion of criteria for the selection of species and habitats of the Birds and Habitats Directive, for the Black Sea, Mediterranean and Anatolian bio-geographical regions.

Overall project aim:

- Contribute to further strengthening of institutional and organisational capacities in Turkey with regard to the harmonization of Turkey's legislation with N2000;
- Prepare a methodology and a first draft set of guidelines for National List development in Turkey, including how to define and discuss the criteria for selection of species and habitats of the Birds and Habitats Directive, for the Black Sea, Mediterranean and Anatolian bio-geographical regions.

Specific objectives of the workshop:

- Increasing the knowledge and understanding of the participants about the development of National N2000 Habitat Lists and Species Lists by the EU Member States.
- Developing a road map on developing N2000 national lists for Turkey.

2. Presentation and discussions on the Habitat list

2.1 Introduction

Prof. Bob Bunce presented the background information on habitat classification and how they evolved finally in the Natura2000 habitats. From Humboldt's biomes of the world (1880), through Raunkiaer's plant life forms (1904) to the first vegetation of Britain by Moss (1910). An important step was the plant sociology developed by Braun-Blanquet & Tuxen in the 1930's

After World war II nature reserves were progressively selected on habitats. In recent times Woodward constructed world biomes (1985). The CORINE biotopes classification initially published in 1986 and the palearctic & Annex I habitats followed. Moss & Davies (1998) also developed the EUNIS classification to cover non semi-natural habitats. The EUNIS information system of the EEA also provides a wide range of data on biodiversity. In the framework of the BIOHAB project, the EBONE classification was developed (Bunce 2008). The difference with the previous classifications which are not designed for field use as they use many terms which are not defined. EBONE is practical; it is a key to mapping habitats in the field. It is currently in use throughout Europe, and it has been tested in all European environmental zones. Although it is not a system to construct the list of habitats per se, it can be used for an inventory of existing habitats in the country.

The annex I habitat types are the basis for the selection of the Natura2000 series. In the EU-15 there were 198 habitats, EU-25 counted 218 types, and EU-27 228 types. It is essential to note that the Annex I habitats have therefore developed as a list and are not constructed as a classification.

The selection criteria for habitats are:

- Threatened habitats
- Representative habitats of biogeographic regions
- o Unique species

The habitats are described for each country and for each biogeographical region. In the case of Turkey this is the Mediterranean, Black Sea and Anatolian region.

The criteria are the same, for all countries. However, there are still some differences in interpretation of the criteria between countries.

Countries may add other criteria, if necessary, to achieve a good selection of habitats. For the Netherlands, additional selection criteria were e.g.

- best 5 sites for each habitat/species is selected (qualitative/quantitative)
- best 10 sites for priority habitats/species
- broad habitats: subtypes (based upon vegetation national class)
 - best 3 sites for each subtype
 - best 5 sites for priority subtypes.

The number of sites and the area covered also differ widely between countries, e.g. in the UK the sites are all highly protected and cover about 7% of the country, however in Spain the protection is low and about 25% of the country is in the Natura 2000 series. The proposed list is based on scientific criteria. However, the agreement on the proposed national list, as well as the final reference lists, is reached in discussion with the EU (in this case the Topic Centre biodiversity) and at the biogeographical seminars.

2.2 The implementation process

The whole process can be a lengthy procedure, for example, the process for the atlantic region was as follows:

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1992: Habitats Directive
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1996: 27 sites HD (282,000 ha), only already protected sites

1998: 89 sites HD: sites larger than 250 ha

1999: Atlantic Seminar 1 (Ireland): insufficient (ETC) advise: * select sites smaller than 250 ha

* some habitats/species: too little cover (20-60/80 %)

* ecological variation / spatial distribution

NGO + Independent expert Alterra are involved in process

2003: 165 Natura 2000-sites proposed to EU: sufficient

2005: decentralisation (management plans, impact assessment, ...)

2007: report on Favourable Conservation Status

2010: formal assignment

1998-2005: National legislation adapted for species and site protection

The habitats descriptions are agreed upon by the Habitats Committee guided by the European Topic Centre. The names of habitats however are agreed upon by the Council of Ministers. These are separate processes, which may result in names of habitats which are not entirely consistent with the descriptions of habitats.

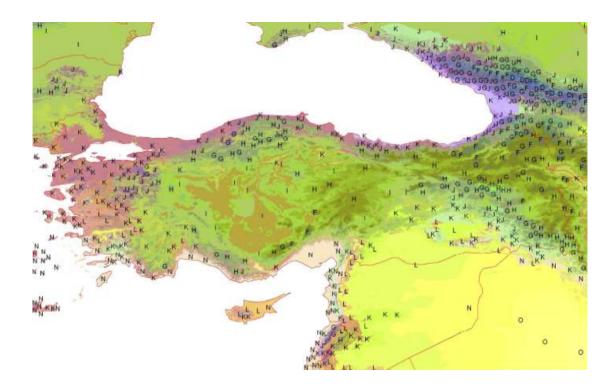
The broad types of habitats can be grouped as follows:

- o Plant community (e.g. habitat 2150, Calluno-Ulicetea)
- o Landscape units (e.g. habitat 1610, Baltic esker islands)
- Soil types (e.g. habitat 6120, Xeric sand calcarious)
- Plant species (e.g. habitat 9520, Abies pinsapo forest)
- Geomorphological units (e.g. habitat 3180, Turloghs)

At the moment 40% of the habitat types of the EU are forest types, which descriptions can be modified. There exists a good source of information regarding the forests from the German Twinning project - *Interpretation Manual of European Union, Habitats in Turkey – Forests*. The manual describes the forest habitat types occurring in Turkey and new proposed ones. This manual can be used as a basis to revise and update and since its production (2006) new members entered EU (Bulgaria and Romania).

As an example, we show some results of a study which is not further discussed. The map of Turkey falls in 9 different Environmental Zones according to the recently produced world map 9 zones are based on climate and altitude by the University of Edinburgh based on the methodology devised by Metzger et al (2005). The map confirms the diversity of Turkey in comparison with the number of Regions in other countries.

There is some discussion on the boundaries, whether these fit the local situation in all cases, but similar experiences are found in the European map because local variation maybe divided into more classes.



The question is: is the list enough to say what should be the list for Turkey?

Next step will also be to check which species of Annex II occur in these habitats.

The interpretation manual of the European Habitats is the bible, and the basis for all work! http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/legislation/habitatsdirective/docs/2007_07_im.pdf. The descriptions vary in detail and experience is needed to interpret them consistently. However in the EBONE project a key has been produced to help in identifying the habitat of a particular location.

2.3 Process towards a habitats list

Advise 1. Define the habitats of the annex that are present

The basis of all work is formed by the Annex I of the Habitats Directive, and its interpretation manual.

An important source to take into account is the Interpretation Manual of European habitats, free available on the internet, which describes in detail all habitat types with vegetations (http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/legislation/habitatsdirective/index_en.htm). The interpretation manual gives the information on whether a habitat may be present or not, what species are typical for the habitat type, as well as some geographical references (soil, landscape, altitude etc).

There is a Turkish list of habitats from 2006 which provides a good basis for the analysis of which habitats are present in Turkey. It is outdated though, since Romania and Bulgaria joined the EU since, and new habitats have been added to the Annex.

There are some anomalies, such as *Pinus mugo*, which has to be decided by experts. The discussions we had were useful in covering the problems of identifying annex I habitats.

The Reference list of the Mediterranean region is a good base to check which habitats are likely to occur in Turkey. Habitats from the Western Mediterranean Basin like Portugal, may not be so likely to occur in Turkey as well. However, habitats that occur in Greece or Italy may also occur in Turkey. The tables with the habitats of the Mediterranean biogeographical region are available from the internet.

It was clear in the meeting that there was a great deal of experience in Turkey with the presence, distribution and composition of habitats. The book describing Key Biodiversity Areas provides a sound basis for describing the country.

Based on all these sources a checklist can be made of the habitats from Annex I which are present in Turkey. It seemed that about 75% of the most recent Annex I lists are in Turkey, which represents the diversity of the country.

Advise 2. Consider unique species or associations which need protection

Are there specific (rare or threatened) vegetation associations which are not covered in the annex, which are considered important for conservation? The following criteria would apply:

- Rare, endemic, endangered habitats
- Containing many endemic plant and animal species (these species should not be added necessarily to the Annex II)
- Few broad habitats should be defined instead of many small ones

The new habitats should be defined based on expert knowledge. With relative small expert groups one can quickly and pragmatically assess which species or associations are unique or typical for Turkey. Based on a selection a broader consultation may be required.

Steppic habitats are very typical for Turkey. The question is whether these are real steppe or pseudo steppe, since the rainfall is too high (400-700 mm) whereas in real steppe it does not exceed 500 mm. But the vegetation is the final arbiter.

However, there are some steppic grasslands included for the Pannonic region in the Interpretation Manual. The manual describes indicator species (e.g. Stipa grasses), as well as location and geography (gypsum soils), which gives an idea whether the habitat can be occurring in Turkey too. Compare the types in the manual with your habitat type!

Unique species can be selected as 'iconic' species, or flagship species (e.g. *Cedrus libani*) but first it should be assessed whether the species is appropriate to propose. *Quercus vulcanica* and *Liquidambar orientalis* are other such important and iconic species from Turkey. It might be possible to justify the inclusion of these species as indicative of a forest type. However, overall, the EU experts in the meeting suggested to avoid focusing too much on individual species but rather to concentrate on the identification of vegetation types because currently almost 60 % of all habitat types in the EU are based on plant communities.

Advise 3. Assess whether potential Annex I habitats also occur in other EU member states

It should be avoided to propose new habitats based on one species, for which similar habitats occur in the EU-member states.

To use the example on *Cedrus libanii*, there already are *Cedrus* forests identified in Cyprus. Therefore it is possible that the Commission will suggest to adjust the current habitat type to '*Cedrus* forests', so a modification of an existing habitat type. An alternative would be to construct a new habitat category.

For the Cedrus species the Interpretation manual gives the following description:

9590 *Cedrus brevifolia forests (Cedrosetum brevifoliae) PAL.CLASS.: 42.B2

- 1) Forests of Cedrus brevifolia, endemic to the western summits of the Troodos range
- 2) Plants Cedrus brevifolia, Quercus alnifolia, Arrhenatherum album, Cephalorrhynchus cypricus, Galium peplidifolium, Stellaria media, Lindbergella sintensii

Advise 4. Limit the number of habitats proposed for Annex I.

It's generally recommended not to propose too many new habitats for Annex I.

The European Commission is very strict in the use of selection criteria. Newly proposed habitats will be discussed at the biogeographical seminar for each region: good communication and information is essential to organize the support!

The list of additions to Bulgaria and Romania shows that 9 forest types were added, as well as 2 grasslands and 2 scrub types - giving 13 in total.

There is already a list with suggestions from the German Twinning project, including the following:

Habitat name : Irano-Anatolian salt steppe (NATURA 2000-Code: 1350)

Habitat category : Coastal and halophytic habitats

Habitat name : Irano-Anatolian gypsaceous steppe (NATURA 2000-Code: 15xx)

Habitat category : Coastal and halophytic habitats

Habitat name : High mountain calcareous meltwater runnels (Toroslar)

(NATURA 2000-Code: 32A0)

Habitat category : Freshwater habitats

Habitat name : High mountain doline vegetation (Toroslar) (NATURA 2000-Code:

61A0)

Habitat category : Natural and semi-natural grassland formations

Habitat name : Irano-Anatolian steppe formations (NATURA 2000-Code: 62C0)

Habitat category : Natural and semi-natural grassland formations

Habitat name : Fagus orientalis forests (NATURA 2000-Code: 91xx)

Habitat category : Forests

Habitat name : Montane Abies forests of the Black Sea region (NATURA 2000-

Code: 91xx)

Habitat category : Forests

Habitat name : Quercus vulcanica woods (NATURA 2000-Code: 92xx)

Habitat category : Forests

Habitat name : Wild Orchards (NATURA 2000-Code: 92xx)

Habitat category : Forests

Habitat name : Quercus aucheri woods (NATURA 2000-Code: 93xx)

Habitat category : Forests

Habitat name : Abies cilicica forests (NATURA 2000-Code: 95A0)

Habitat category : Forests

Habitat name : Cedrus libani forests (NATURA 2000-Code: 95A1)

Habitat category : Forests

Habitat name : Quercus vulcanica woods (NATURA 2000-Code: 92xx)

Habitat category: Forests

Advise 5. Justify the proposed habitats for Annex I with data on distribution and relevance for species protection

The data on distribution of habitat is probably limited for newly proposed habitats. Still it would be necessary to give an impression of the distribution of the habitat type. In the end it is necessary to identify most important sites which should be protected for this habitat type. Also habitats which are very important due to presence of endemics or a large number of fauna species which are otherwise not protected under the HD would justify its inclusion in the list, provided that this link is supported by evidence on distribution of those species.

Advise 6. General advises and remarks

Turkey is a large, diverse country; totally new landscapes compared to European Union and many endemic species. It may therefore qualify for a relatively larger number of new sites

It is important to select the most important representative "habitat types" and to consider which ones are already covered by Natura 2000 Annex I (sometimes with a little revision)? Which ones are sufficiently important to be added as priority habitats?

The experts in the workshop checked the existing habitat types from Annex I (here the short descriptions were used from the EBONE key to the Annex I Habitats) and compared it with the Interpretation manual of the EU. For those habitats was checked whether they occur in the Mediterranean biogeographical region. Together with the experts an exercise was carried out to better visualize the level of information required to review the lists and to decide on which ones do occur in Turkey

This resulted in a list of habitat types, for may or may not present in Turkey. This may present a gap in information, for which further research is required. In consultation with a larger group of experts could be shown whether it is data deficiency, or whether those habitats are absent in Turkey.

3. Summary Discussions on Species lists

3.1 Introduction

The process towards the approval of proposed species to Annex II of the Habitats Directive (designation of Natura2000 sites required) can generally be divided in five steps (figure 1).

- 1. The first step concerns a simple check whether the proposed species might already be on Annex II. If so this means that the species already exists in other EU-member states which have designated sites for it.
- 2. The second step concerns the selection of new endangered, vulnerable, rare or endemic species (see appendix 6 for a description of endangered...endemic). This second step actually concerns the justification why a species should be listed on Annex II of the Habitat Directive. This can be filled in at the application form from the European Topic Centre on Biodiversity (ETC-BD; appendix 6). If a species is already listed on Annex II, while it's common in the accession country (like Turkey) concerned, it may request for a geographical exemption. This means a request not to list the species on Annex II for this country or region. A first selection in the number of proposed species will be made by the European Topic Centre (commissioned by the EU).
- 3. The third step concerns the agreement by all present 27 EU-member states on the species proposed for Annex II. Generally the 27 member states do not want to designate new sites as a result of a species proposed by an accession country.
- 4. The fourth step concerns informing the European commission on the presence of Annex II species per bio-geographic region.
- 5. The fifth step concerns the conformation of the proposed Annex II species at the next bio-geographical seminar.

Besides Annex II, species can also be listed on Annex IV (forbidden to persecute and disturb) and Annex V (hunting allowed, but under conditions).

The workshop focused on mammals and herpetofauna. A provisional national list was shown just to feed the discussions. The results of these discussions are reflected in the advises below.

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
Check presence of current Annex II species in Turkey	Propose new species to European Commission, and ask for geographical exemptions	agreement by all Member States in Habitats Committee	•	Reference list will be finalised at the start of biogeographical seminar

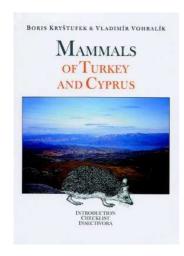
Figure 1. Five steps towards the selection of species for annex II, Habitats Directive.

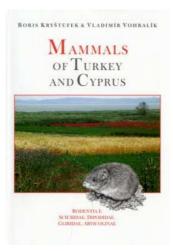
3.2 Process towards a national list for Annex II species

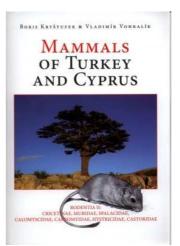
The roadmap towards a national list for Annex II species requires a number of steps or activities. All needed to justify why a species should be under Annex II.

Advise 1. Agree on a good species list

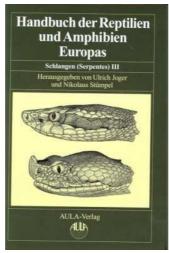
A good scientifically proof species list should be agreed upon in order to draft the gross list of species for Turkey. See examples for mammals, reptiles and amphibians below.

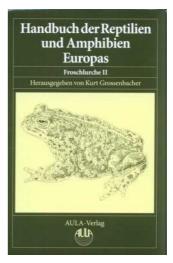












Advise 2. Consider status of species on lists of Habitats Directive, IUCN Red List, Bern Convention (Annex II) and National Red List

The more a species is listed on the different threatened species lists available, the more chance that it will be approved for listing under Annex II.

- Habitats Directive: If species are already listed on Annex II of the Habitats Directive, there is no need to propose again;
- IUCN World Red List of Threatened Species: A higher status on the IUCN Red list helps to justify that a species needs to be listed on Annex II of the Habitat Directive;
- Bern Convention: If a species is listed on the Bern Convention especially Annex II of strictly protected species, it helps to justify that a species needs to be listed on Annex II of the Habitat Directive;
- Red List: A higher status on the National Red List helps to justify that a species needs to be listed on Annex II of the Habitat Directive.
- Besides these, there are also the Bonn Convention and CITES lists. The ranking on these lists as well is requested from the ETC-BD form.

National Red Lists are hardly available for Turkey. The information in the KBA-book (Key Biodiversity Areas) and the so-called German Twinning project may provide good species information.

Advise 3. Assess whether potential Annex II species are also distributed in other EU member states.

It should be assessed if a potential Annex II species is also distributed in other EU-member states. If so, the feasibility to get the proposed species through to Annex II Habitat Directive becomes very limited. Reason is that other member states, after finalisation of their countries sites designation process, would again need to designate sites for the additional species concerned. However, there can always be exceptions to this unwritten rule, for instance:

- The Fallow deer *Dama dama* for instance can be found in many EU-member states and the species has no threatened status at the lists of the IUCN, Bern Convention or Habitat Directive. Nevertheless it can still be proposed for Annex II as the Turkish population has been said to be the only natural population, while the other populations across Europe were introduced in ancient times. Through a *geographical exemption* it might still be possible to propose the natural population of Turkey, without troubling the other member states.
- The Chamois for instance can be found in many EU-countries and has no threatened status at IUCN, Bern Convention or Habitat Directive. However, Turkey has two subspecies named Asian Chamois Rupicapra rupicapra asiatica and the Caucasian Chamois Rupicapra rupicapra caucasica. The fact that these are subspecies not present in the other 27 EU-member, its proposal for Annex II would cause no problems with other member states.
- Several reptile species have been listed by Greece under the Annex IV Habitat Directive. Several Turkish experts which attended the workshop had the opinion that these species should be on Annex II as well. Proposal for Annex II however would cause problems with Greece, as Greece would have to designate new sites. The only way to overcome this problem seems if the species concerned can be found within Natura2000 sites that have already been designated in Greece for other species. In that case Greece would not have to designate new sites.

The strategy is that Turkish scientists contact their Greek colleagues on this matter so they can assess the distribution of the species concerned within existing Natura2000 sites of Greece. If so, these Greek scientists should start lobbying for this species at the Greek Ministry responsible for Natura2000 designation. A difficult process though not impossible.

Advise 4. Limit the number of species proposed for Annex II.

It's generally recommended not to propose too many species for Annex II. It has been said for instance that Romania proposed some 150 species while only some 20 got approved. The book on Key Biodiversity Areas in Turkey for instance suggests 10 voles and 5 shrew species for Annex II. All except 1 (Near Threatened) have the (lowest) Least Concern status on the IUCN Red List. Five are also present in other EU-member states. Their listing on Annex II would for instance as well cause a lot of paperwork for the Ministry regarding the periodic reporting to Brussels. Following strategy should be undertaken to make the proposal of species feasible.

 Some of the species are restricted to one or few Habitat types on Annex I of the Habitat Directive. Find out whether these habitat types are protected under Annex I. If so, assure that the sites designated for this habitat type also sufficiently cover the range of the species;

- Find out whether the species can be protected through the protection of Natura2000 sites that will be designated for other species;
- Contact the European Topic Centre in advance to check the feasibility of listing the proposed species on Annex II.

Advise 5. Justify the proposed species for Annex II with data on distribution and population trends.

The data on distribution and population trends is limited for many species which might qualify for listing on Annex II Habitat Directive. Additional inventory and monitoring data would definitely improve the justification for listing under Annex II.

Advise 6. General advises and remarks

Some general advises and remarks that were given during the workshop:

- Propose all ungulate species for Annex II (except Roe deer, Wild boar and Red deer C. elaphus maral) as nearly all ungulate species populations are in decline. They generally need large areas for completion of their life cycle. Something which is seriously under pressure due to habitat destruction.
- What is stated above for the ungulates can also be said for the large and middle sized predators like Striped Hyena, Leopard, Jungle cat etc.
- The Anatolian region in Turkey is new to the EU. This probably allows for approval of a higher number of proposed species under Annex II.
- o If a species already has a certain status at the Habitat Directive, its status remains after splitting in several species. For instance, the European pond turtle *Emys orbicularis* which is listed on Annex II has a subspecies in Turkey. This subspecies will automatically inherit the same status Annex II.
- o Threatened species which use complexes of habitats (and which can not be covered by an Annex I habitat type) can be logical candidates for annex II and/or IV.
- Species which are threatened mainly by persecution and/or disturbance are candidates for Annex IV rather than Annex II.

4. Road map for the development of N2000 national lists

At the end of the workshop, recommendations were formulated with all participants for the development of the national lists for habitats and species. Based on the recommendations, the following steps are proposed, which can be seen as a road map towards the development of national lists.

Required steps

- The responsible body for the development of national lists in Turkey is the Ministry of Environment and Forestry. It is recommendable that the Ministry of Environment and Forestry should therefore set itself targets for preparation of these lists and ensure budget available for the required activities (either from domestic funds or e.g. European funds).
- It would be beneficial and time efficient to ensure the involvement of a wide group of specialists from Turkish Universities and NGOs to facilitate the process of developing national lists.
- 3. It is recommended that the Ministry of Environment and Forestry appoints a group or a team responsible to facilitate the process of data gathering and data analysis on habitats and the different species groups; this team needs to include specialists or experts from local Governments, Universities and NGOs as these mainly gather and analyse data about biodiversity in Turkey.
- 4. A central database must be set up to store all data on species and habitats relevant for nature conservation policy (i.e. through combining existing databases like Noah's Ark and Tübitak Arbis database). This would include setting up the database, data input, management of the database, quality control and managing access to data. Necessarily part of this process has to be done by specialists from Universities or NGOs.
- 5. The cooperation of a group of experts (as inclusive as possible) should be ensured for data collection and analysis of distribution data and status of species. Experts should agree on complete lists for the species groups. From this group, a core-group should be established who will follow the N2000 process in Turkey and who will follow the process of the biogeographical seminars and data exchange. A close link should be established between this group and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry.
- Data should be shared between universities and NGOs. The gaps of information about species and habitats need to be identified. Research should be carried out to collect additional information. Finally, using all the information, priority species and habitats should be listed on Turkey's National List.
- 7. A communication and information process must be started for good exchange of information, to discuss the issues for different groups and habitats, to exchange information and align procedures.
- 8. Based on the research carried out, the Ministry of Environment and Forestry should communicate with the ETC-Paris at an early stage to prepare proposals for additions to the annexes (the habitats and species identified for Turkey because they are rare, endangered or even, when not endangered, typical for Turkey, but which are not on the BD and HD annexes).

6. Recommendations and Conclusions

At the end of the workshop, recommendations were formulated from the discussions carried out during the workshop with all participants for the development of national lists of habitats and species for the Annexes of the Habitats Directive.

Process

- The process of development of national lists for the Annexes of the Habitats Directive for conservation will benefit nature conservation in general. It is agreed that the accession of Turkey to the EU might take a long time, however, this process of development of lists is useful, especially to benefit from harmonization of policies, and possibly improvements of some existing policies (e.g. the need for regular monitoring of protected areas and species to ensure proper conservation).
- As the EU legislation states, the process of developing the national lists would be the responsibility of the Ministry of Environment and Forestry.
- o It is important that the Ministry of Environment and Forestry sets itself targets for the realization of the national lists and to make budget available for necessary activities.
- A timeframe is needed for the 'road-map' for the development of national lists, to ensure that the process does not stagnate. The overall process to develop the national lists may take several years.
- o Cooperation is required between (specialists of all) universities, as well NGOs.
- The process in neighboring countries and new member states like Bulgaria and Romania can be useful to benefit from their experiences and lessons learned (e.g. the criteria used) for the process in Turkey.
- Try to meet with, especially, new Member States and discuss the process they went through in the implementation of Natura 2000. Also meetings with other candidate countries will be very useful.
- It is recommended to have a firm scientific justification for the selection of new habitats and new species in Turkey; this can support the political process of designation of sites and species (as experienced by the other Member States).

Organization

- It would be useful to merge existing databases (like Noah's Ark and Tübitak Arbis database) to bring together information.
- A group of experts (as inclusive as possible) should be brought together to establish a "N2000 expert" group with the participation of Universities, NGOs and other. In this group, a core-group should be established who will follow the N2000 process in Turkey and who will follow the process of the biogeographical seminars and data exchange. It was also proposed to establish a link between this group and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry.
- It would be supportive to empower groups or volunteers networks for data collection or data completion.

Research

A long-term monitoring program needs to be developed; this monitoring program needs a tailor-made approach, it should be well founded on scientific principles so as to allow for long-term monitoring activities. For this to be identified, the past experiences from monitoring schemes realized in Turkey should be taken into consideration and the existing limitations, possible solutions should be identified.

Data

- Specialists should first agree upon a complete list for different species groups.
- Existing data should be shared between researchers, universities and NGOs.
- The gaps of information on species and habitats need to be identified.
- Priority species (which needs conservation measures at different scales) need to be identified.
- Ecological data on species should be increased and/or developed further so that distribution of these species can be identified.
- National Red List assessments should be carried out.
- O High amount of research has to be carried out in the future, therefore the issue of research authorisation has to be discussed as soon as possible. Sometimes it can take up to 8 months to obtain the authorisation to carry out field work.

Communication

- Regular meetings will be beneficial to discuss issues on different species groups and habitats, and these meetings can permit exchanges of information and aligning procedures.
- A wide participation is required in such workshops, in particular by the Ministry of Environment and Forestry and specialists from other universities, NGOs, etc.
- The preparation of national lists should also be communicated through a website dedicated to the Natura2000 process.

Funding

- The Ministry of Environment and Forestry can support the process of development of national lists through funding, host venues etc.
- The Ministry of Environment and Forestry could apply for additional funds from e.g.
 European programs, like Europeaid for additional funding.
- TAIEX is a program which can further assist in Natura2000 implementation, through e.g. workshops provided by specialists from Europe. It is a process that needs to be initiated by the Ministry of Environment and Forestry.

Development of national lists

Habitat list:

- Check the existing habitats types and definitions to check their occurrence in Turkey. EU Interpretation Manual is an important source to check the plant species associated with the habitat description. The names of the habitats can be confusing.
- Use as a basis the outcomes of the previous studies (like the outcomes of the German Twinning Project, 2006). This needs to be updated as Bulgaria and Romania became EU-members since the project, and their accession led to adjustment of the reference lists.
- Use the Interpretation manual of the EU (2007) to confirm or update this
 document.
- Check with the reference lists for all the bio-geographical regions, particularly Mediterranean and Black Sea, on the presence of habitats and species.
- For specific habitats, field visits are required within Turkey. Furthermore, it will be useful to carry out exchanges with other members to gain a better understanding of the habitat types on the ground and to confirm whether a habitat coincides with the habitat type in Turkey.
- o For those habitats not included in the current habitat lists, the criteria for proposal of habitats (i.e. threatened habitats, Unique species, Representative habitats of bio-geographic regions) should be checked to decide whether a habitat would qualify to be proposed for the national list and also to prepare the Anatolian bio-geographical region's list.

 According to the information given by the EU experts in the meeting, EUNIS seems an irrelevant/not helpful system to use for habitat identification (also agricultural areas are not in EUNIS, although from Europe these include a great amount of biodiversity). ETC'sThe EU Interpretation Manual for Natura2000 is key for description of habitats.

Species lists:

- o Check presence of current Annex II species in Turkey.
- Propose new species to the EC, and ask for geographical exemptions. While doing so, different sources of information can be used as a basis (e.g., IUCN Red List status of species, status on Bern Convention, presence in other EU-27 states, National Red list status, German Twinning Project outcomes, KBA-list, data on distribution and population trends).
- Collect missing information on data deficient species.
- The following steps in the process were suggested by the EC as (applies for al accession processes).
 - Agreement by all Member States in Habitats Committee
 - Inform European Commission on the presence of Annex II species per biogeographic region
 - Reference list will be finalized at the start of biogeographical seminar
 - Regarding the large amount of endemic species occurring in Turkey, the EU experts in the meeting recommended to protect these species as much as possible through protecting their habitats instead of focusing on species specifically (unless it is mosaic species). It might be administratively very hard for Turkey to include all these species on Annex 2 of the Habitats Directive. If there is a strong wish from Turkish side to put species in Annex 2 this can be discussed with the ETC in Paris.

Annexes

Appendix 1: Workshop Program

01 st December 20	10, Wednesday	
Time Flow	Topics	Methodology
09.00 – 09.30	Introduction to the Workshop - Theo van der Sluis, Melike Hemmami Introduction to each other (participants presenting themselves)	Presentation & Plenary
09.30 – 10.45	Presentation of the Study Tour Report, Özge Balkız and Melike Hemmami	Presentation Q&A
10.45 – 11.00	Coffee Break	
11.00 – 12.00	Introduction to methodologies on habitat classification and monitoring and its link with the preparation of the reference lists and criteria, Prof. Bob Bunce	Presentation Q&A
12.00 - 13.00	Introduction to the development of criteria for the preparation of the Habitat Directive Annex II species Dr. Johan Thissen	Presentation Q&A
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch	
14.00 - 14.30	Introduction to the group work (Exercise on applying the methodologies)	Presentation Q&A
14.30 – 16.00	Parallel Working Group Session: What are relevant criteria for selection of habitats and species in the light of the Turkish conditions and environment? Habitats, Bob Bunce, Theo, Özge Balkiz Mammals & Herpetofauna, Johan Thissen & Rene, Melike	Group Working
16.00- 16.15	Coffee break	
16.15 – 17.30	Continuation of the Parallel Working Group Session What are relevant criteria for selection of habitats and species in the light of the Turkish conditions and environment? Habitats, Bob Bunce & Theo, Özge Balkiz Mammals & Herpetofauna, Johan Thissen, Rene, Melike	Group Working
17.30 - 18.00	Wrap up of the Day (Presentation of the Habitats & Species group outputs and closure)	Plenary

02 nd December 2010, Thursday					
09.00 - 09.15	Reflection of the previous day – Melike Hemmami	Plenary			
09.15 – 10.30	Parallel Working Group Session	Group Working			
09.13 - 10.30	What are the lists developed for neighbouring	Gloup Working			
	countries and biogeographical regions? Are they				
	relevant in the light of the criteria and biodiversity				
	of Turkey?				
	Habitats, Bob Bunce & Theo van der Sluis				
	Herpetofauna, Johan Thissen & Rene Henkens				
10.00 10.15					
10.30 – 10.45	Coffee Break				
10.45 – 11.30	Parallel Working Group Session	Group Working			
	Which species and habitats are typical for the				
	Anatolian region and would justify inclusion in a				
	future list?				
	Habitats, Theo van der Sluis				
	Herpetofauna, Rene Henkens				
11.30 – 12.30	Presentation of the outputs of the Habitats Working				
	Group				
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch				
13.30 - 16.00	Working Group Session	Group Working			
	Herpetofauna , Rene Henkens				
16.00 - 16.30	Presentation of the outputs of the Herpetofauna	Plenary			
	Working Group	-			
16.30 – 17.15	Wrap up of the day and future steps				

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Appendix 3: Presentation of the Study Ttour

N2000 Çalışma Gezisi Notları

Özge Balkız, Melike Hemmami ve Yakup Kaska





1 ve 2 Aralık 2010, Ankara

Hollanda N2000 Uygulamaları – Habitat Tipleri

- Habitat direktifi Bern Sözleşmesi için tasarlamyor.
- 1980'lerde hazırlanmaya başlıyor.
- Bugün habitat tipleri çoğunlukla vejetasyon tipleri (fitososyolojik tanımlamalar) üzerinden tanımlamyor. 9 temel sınıf:
 - · Kıyı habitatları ve tuzcul (halofitik) habitatlar
 - · Kıyı ve karasal kumullar
 - · Tatlısu habitatları
 - · Ilıman kuşak fundalık ve çalılıkları
 - Her dem yeşil çalılıklar (Sclerophyllous)
 - · Doğal ve yarı-doğal çayır oluşumları
 - · Bataklıklar, turbalıklar
 - Kayalık habitatlar ve mağaralar
 - Ormanlar
- Özellikle İngiltere, Fransa ve Almanya'nın etkisi fazla G. Doğu Avrupa ülkeleri daha azl

AB ülkelerinin artmasıyla:

- Annex I (Habitat tipleri)
 - 198 (1999, 15 ülke)
 - 218 (2003, 25 ülke)
 - 228 (2007, 27 ülke Bulgaristan ve Romanya)



Akdeniz en zengin biyocoğrafik bölge!

European Natura 2000 habitat types							
	countries habitat types specie						
	EU27		fauna	flora			
Boreal	5	83	53	51			
Atlantic	9	127	81	52			
Alpine	12	99	98	63			
Continental	13	134	109	55			
Pannonian	4	54	119	46			
Black Sea	2						
Steppic	1						
Mediterranean	5	141	145	242			
Macaronesian	2						

Hollanda • Küçük bir ülke • Atlantik biyocoğrafik bölgesi • Yoğun nüfus • Büyük tarım alanları • Doğa: - Birçok küçük parçalar halinde (izole) - Su yönetimiyle ilgili sorunlar - Kirlilikle ilgili sorunlar

Netherlands		Romania	
Habitat types	51	Habitat types	64
Birds	90	Birds	-
Fauna Annex II	30	Fauna Annex II	126
Mammals	8	Mammals	28
Fish	10	Fish	29
Herpetofauna	2	Herpetofauna	12
Evertebrates	10	Evertebrates	57
Flora Annex II	5	Flora Annex II	49

Neredeyse hiç endemik (alt)tür yok!

Hollanda'da Habitat Referans Listelerinin Hazırlanması Süreci

- 1995-1999 yılları arasında gerçekleştirilen Ulusal Vejetasyon Araştırması – Tarım, Doğa Koruma ve Balıkçılık Bakanlığı tarafından koordinasyonunda
- Farklı veri setleri:
 - Ulusal Vejetasyon Veritabanı 400.000 röleve
 - Vejetasyon haritaları, raporlar (Üniversiteler, STKlar ve bakanlıklar)
 - Uzmanlar
- Varolan AB habitat tipleri önemli/tehlike altındaki habitat tiplerini kapsıyor.

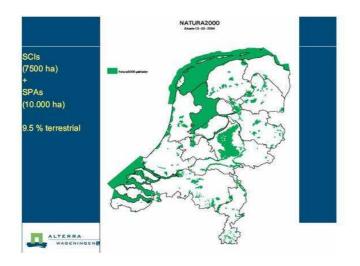
Hollanda'da N2000 Alanlarının Belirlenme Süreci

- 1996 27 alan Habitat Direktifi üzerinden öneriliyor (yalnızca korunan alanlar)
- 1998 89 alan eklendi (>250 ha)
- 1999 Atlantik Semineri -> YETERSİZ!
- · STK ve bağımsız uzmanlar dahil oluyor
- 2003: 165 N2000 alanı öneriliyor YETERLİ!
- 2007: Uygun Koruma Statüleri raporu (FCS)
- 2010: Resmi atama
- 1998 2005: Ulusal yönetmelik tür ve alan koruma için adapte ediliyor.

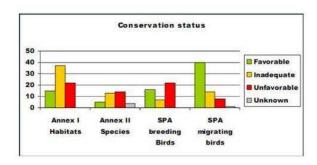
Hollanda'da N2000 Alanlarının Belirlenme Süreci

Seçim Kriteri:

- Tüm habitat/türler için en iyi 5 alan
- Öncelikli habitat/türler için en iyi 10 alan
- Ekolojik olarak çeşitli habitatlar: alttipler (en iyi 3 ve 5 alan – tüm ve öncelikli habitatlar için)
- Sınırötesi alanlar (Almanya, Belçika)
- Yaygın türler/habitatlar: alan seçilmedi!



N2000 alanlarının koruma statüsü



Edinilen Dersler:

Yapısal:

- Natura 2000 Bakanlıkla zor bir süreç sonrasında olumlu bir süreç haline geliyor.
- Cok az bilinen bir konu süreci zorlaştırıyor İyi iletişim çok önemli!
- Uzmanlarla çalışmak sürecin iyi işletilmesini sağlamış.

Teknik:

- Verinin eski/eksik olması N2000 süreci verilerin güncellenmesini sağlıyor
- Bazı türler çok yaygın (tehlike altında değil) bu türler için çok az N2000 ağı gerekiyor (başka koruma yolları)
- Avrupa Komisyonu: seçim kriterleri (seminerler) konusunda katı
- Her ülkenin uygulama şekli birbirinden farklı!

Türkiye için Öneriler:

- Kaba vejetasyon /peyzaj birimleri tanımlanmalı (her biyocoğrafik bölge için)
- En önemli "habitat tipleri" seçilmeli
- Hangileri habitat tipleri halihazırda Natura 2000 Ek I altında var? Hangilerinin eklenmesi önemli (öncelikli);
 - Nadir, endemik, tehlike altında
 - Birçok endemik bitki ya da hayvan türünü barındırıyor bu türlerin hepsini Ek II'ye eklemek gerekmiyor!
- Az sayıda yeni kapsamlı habitat tipi birçok küçük yerine!
- Corine arazi örtüsü sınıflaması habitat tiplerinin belirlenmesinde yalnızca bir katman olarak kullanılmış – Eunis ile direk bir bağlantı kurulmamış!
- N2000 alanlarının büyüklükleri bir ülkeden diğerine değişebiliyor
- STK ve üniversiteler kendi gölge listelerini hazırlayıp bunları biyocoğrafik seminerlere taşıyabilirler.

Hollanda'da Sürüngen, Çiftyaşamlı ve Balık Koruma Çalışmalaı



Ravon sürüngenler, çiftyaşamlılar ve balıklar üzerine çalışan bir STK - 30 çalışan ve 1500 gönüllü

Çalışma konuları:

- -Veri depolama, tür dağılımları ve trendlerin belirlenmesi
- -Habitat gereksinimlerinin karakteristiklerinin belirlenmesi
- -Habitatların korunması ve iyileştirilmesi için bilgi, veri toplamak ve araştırma yapılması

Dahil oldukları çalışmalar:

- -N2000 alanlarının belirlenmesi sürecine uzman katkısı vermek
- -Yerel ve ulusal koruma projeleri
- Restorasyon projeleri
- -Gönüllülerin eğitimi

Hollanda N2000 Sürüngen Türleri



English name	Scientific name	Red List NL	Flora and Fauna Act	Conventi on of Bern (*)	EC- Habit at Direc tive (Ann ex)
Sand Lizard	Lacerta agilis	VU	3	2	4
Smooth Snake	Coronella austriaca	EN	3	2	4
Wall lizard	Podarcis muralis	CR	3	2	4

Hollanda N2000 Çiftyaşamlı Türleri



English name	Scientific name	Red List NL	Flora en Fauna Act	Convention of Bern (*)	EC- Habit at Direc tive (Ann ex)
Natterjack toad	Bufo calamita	NT	3	2	4
Pool Frog	Rana lessonae	LC	3	3	4
Moor Frog	Rana arvalis	LC	3	2	4
Great Crested Newt	Triturus cristatus	VU	3	2	2,4
Midwife toad	Alytes obstetricans	VU	3	2	4
Common Spadefoot	Pelobates fuscus	EN	3	2	4
European Treefrog	Hyla arborea	EN	3	2	4
Yellow-bellied toad	Bombina variegata	CR	3	2	2,4

Hollanda N2000 Balık Türleri

English name	Scientific name	Red List NL	Flora en Fauna Act	Conventio n of Bern	EC-Habitat Directive (Annex)
Brook lamprey	Lampetra planeri	EN	3	3	2
Bitterling	Rhodeus sericeus	VU	3	3	2
Alis shad	Alosa alosa			3	2,5
Twait shad	Alosa fallax	EW		3	2,5
European weatherfish	Misgurnus fossilis	VU	3	3	2
Whitefish or cisco	Coregonus oxyrinchus		3	3	2,4,5
Spined Loach	Cobitis taenia	LC	2	3	2
Bullhead	Cottus gobio	LC	2		2
Lampem or River Lamprey	Lampetra fluviatilis		3	3	2, 5
Asp	Asplus asplus	Exoot		3	2
Sturgeon	Acipenser sturio	EW	3	2	2,4
Grayling	Thymallus thymallus	EW		3	2,5
Atlantic Salmon	Salmo salar		×	3	2,5
Sea Lamprey	Petromyzon marinus		×	3	2

2002 yılında Avrupa Konu Merkezi Hollanda Hükümeti'nin belirli balık türleri için ek alanlar belirlemesini istiyor:

- · Cobitis taenia
- Triturus cristatus
- · Rhodens sericens
- Misgurnus fossilis
- · Cottus gobio

2003 yılında hükümet RAVON'dan bu konuda destek istiyor:

- *Triturus cristatus, Misgurums fossilis ve Cottus gobio* için ek alanların belirlenmesi
- Cobitis taenia ve Rhodens sericens türlerinin yaygın olması ve habitat tipleri için tanımlanan alanların bu türler için de öncelikli alanları kapsaması nedeniyle yeni alan önerilmesi istenmedi.

 2005 yılında RAVON yeni alan önerileri getiriyor





 2010 yılında Hükümet Ravon'dan yeni tür dağılım verilerini istiyor.

RAVON'un N2000 süreciyle ilgili eleştirileri:

- Herpetofauna ve balık türlerinin dağılımlarının N2000 alanlarında %20'den azının bulunması, bu türlere yönetim planlarında da yeterince yer verilmemesi,
- Belirli canlı grupları için belirlenen alan koruma önceliklerinin diğer canlı gruplarını olumsuz etkileyebilmesi (kuş – herpetofauna),
- 165 N2000 alanının yönetim planının hazırlanmasında 15 farklı kurumdan uzmanların görüşü bildirmesi ancak bütün alanlarla ilgili sürece tek bir kurumun hakim olmaması.

Doğayla İlgili Veriler Ulusal Otoritesi

- 2005 yılında Hükümet finansal desteğiyle kurulmuş bağımsız bir enstitü,
- Temel hedefi ekolojik hedeflerin ekonomik hedeflerle çatıştığı durumlara çözüm getirmek,
- Flora ve fauna verilerinin bir veritabanında bir araya getirilmesi ve ilgililerle paylaşılması – Hollanda'da çok dağınık durumda, farklı formatlarda toplanmış bir çok tür verisi bulunuyor.
- Enstitü bu farklı verileri standart hale getirmek, hatalı verileri süzmek ve kullanıma hazır hale getirmeyi amaçlıyor.

Ulusal Flora Fauna Veritabanı

10 STK ve Amsterdam Üniversitesi çalışmayı destekliyor, Hükümetle bağlantıları var.

Temel bölümleri:

- 1. Veri giriş arayüzü
- 2. Arşiv
- 3. Veri onaylama hizmeti
- 4. Veri ekleme / alma arayüzleri
- 5. Sorgulama arayüzü.



- Toplam 30 milyon satır veri
- Her yıl 1 milyon satır veri girişi



Veri Onaylama Süreci

- Ulusal Otorite'nin en temek görevi!
- Otomatik onay süreci ve uzman grupları aracılığıyla.
 Organisation of manual validation by expert panels

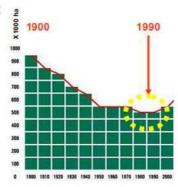


Komitenin diğer görevleri:

- Gözlem protokollerinin oluşturulması Yarasa türleri için oluşturulan protokol Hollanda Flora Fauna Yasası tarafından tanınıyor ve davalarda verilerin düzgün toplanıp toplanmadığının değerlendirilmesi sürecinde kullanılmak üzere kabul ediliyor.
- Bu tip çalışmalar veri toplama sürecinin standardize edilmesini, böylece karar alma süreçlerinde düzgün verilerinin kullanılmasını sağlıyor.
- ÇED süreçlerinde veritabanından bilgi elde edilebiliyor zorunluluk değil.

Hollanda'da N2000 ve Doğa Politikası

- Doğal alanlar yarıya iniyor:
 - 1900 900,000 ha
 - 1990 450,000 ha
- Neden N2000?
 - Çevre ve doğa politikaları biyolojik çeşitlilik kaybını durdumada yetersiz,
 - Kırmızı liste türlerinin sayıları artıyor.



Hollanda'da N2000 sürecinin adımları

- N2000 alanlarının belirlenmesi
- Bütün alanlar için N2000-hedeflerinin belirlenmesi
- Ulusal yönetmeliklerin uyumlaştırılması
- N2000 alanlarının resmi ilanı
- Tüm N2000 alanları için Yönetim Planları'nın hazırlanması

Görev Dağılımı

Roles:	responsible	workers	coordination
Activities:		I	
Selection	Minister ANF	Project group	DN, now PDN2000
Proposal to EU	Council of Ministers	Civil servants	DN, now PDN2000
Site objectives	Minister ANF	Project group	DK, now PDN2000
Designation	Minister ANF	PDN2000	PDN2000
Management plans	Provincial Executives Ministers: - ANF - Public Works and Water Management - Defense	National and provincial civil servants Hired consultants	Coordination ad hoc Intergovernmental Bureau N2000 facilitation Natura 2000 help desk

- 2004 yılında 162 alan Avrupa Komisyonu tarafından onaylandı.
- · 35 alan bakanlık tarafından resmi olarak korunan alan ilan edildi
- 127 alanın resmileştirilmesi süreci devam ediyor 2010 yılı



Yönetim Planları

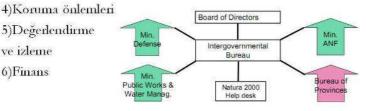
İçerik:

- 1) Güncel durum ve trendler
- 2)Natura 2000-hedefleri
- 3)Eylemler

5)Değerlendirme

ve izleme

6)Finans



Organisational structure Managementplans

Mali Olanaklar

- N2000 Yönetim Planları'nın uygulanması AB Yerel Kalkınma Programı, LIFE, Interreg ve diğer programlar tarafından desteklenebilir.
- · Varolan bütçeler (doğa yönetimi, çevre, su,yerel kalkınma ve tarım)
- · Hollanda'da ek bir ulusal mali olanak yok
- Tahmini maliyet: € 2 milyar
- Tahmini ekstra maliyet: € 30-50 milyon/yıl
- Tahmini ek yatırım:€ 50-200 milyon
- 101 bölgesel N2000 Yönetim Planları maliyeti: € 28 milyon

Notlar

- Tür ve habitatlarla ilgili bilgiler çoğunlukla Akademisyenler ve STK'lar tarafından sağlandı.
- N2000 alanlarının belirlenme sürecinde tarımsal alanlar az dahil ediliyor – 100 ha sürekli doğal alan banındırması zorunluluğu
- Avrupa komisyonu üye ülkeyi yeterli N2000 alanı belirlememesi durumunda parasal cezaya çarptırabiliyor - 500,000 €/gün
- Kuş ve Habitat Direktifi alanlarının sınırları her zaman birbinyle uyumlu olmak zorunda değil
- · Habitat Direktifi kapsamında gelişim raporlarının her 6 yılda bir 17. Madde çerçevesinde hazırlanması zorunlu. Bu raporların Uygun Koruma Statüsü hedefleriyle ilgili durumla ilgili bilgi vermesi gerekiyor.

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- Avrupa biyolojik Çeşitliliğine ilişkin durum ve eğilimleri göz önünde bulundurarak AÇA'nın raporlama sürecine destek verir
- AB Doğa ve Biyolojik Çeşitlilik'e ilişkin politikaların uygulanmasını destekler
- Konsorsiyum 9 kurumdan oluşuyor liderliği de Paris Ulusal Doğa Tarihi Müzei tarafından yürütülüyor
- Ana ekip 12 kişiden oluşuyor (7 ülke) ve diğer kurumlardan destek sağlamıyor

















AB Direktifleri ve Natura 2000 Çerçevesinde

ETC/BD'nin Rolü



AB Çevre Genel Müdürlüğüne (Environment DG) teknik ve bilimsel sağlamak:

- ✓ Natura 2000 veri bankasının yönetimi
- √ Biyocoğrafik Seminerlerin ve iki taraflı toplantıların gerçekleştirilmesi
- ✓ Topluluk için önemli alanların listelerinin hazırlanması (SCI)
- ✓ Eklerde yapılacak değişikliklere ilişkin tavsiyeler üretmek
- ✓ Habitat değerlendirme rehberinin düzeltmelerini yapmak
- ✓ Madde 17 altında yer alan raporlama sürecinin takibi

Biyocoğrafik Bölgeler:

Bölgelere ilişkin değerlendirmeler

Potansiyel Doğal Bitki Örtüsü Haritası

Zümrüt Ağı ve Natura 2000 için aynı haritaların kullanılması

Biyocoğrafik bölgeler haritası ETC/BD tarafından üretildi



Biyocoğrafik Seminerler:

Ulusal önerleri her bir tür ve her bir habitat için tek tek değerlendirmek

Yeterli alanın belirlenip belirlenmediğini değerlendirmek

Tür dağılımları göz önünde bulundurulduğunu değerlendirmek



AB Genişleme:

✓Direktifin eklerinde yapılacak değişiklikler için DG Environment'a tavsiyelerde bulunmak

✓ Aday ülkelerin hazırlık sürecine destek vermek

AB Habitat Yorumlama Rehberi Güncellemeleri:

- √Yeni habitatların tanımlanması
- √Varolan habitatlara ilişkin değişiklikler
- ✓Hataların düzelülmesi



Raporlama takibi (Madde 17 – Habitat Direktifi): 6 yılda 1

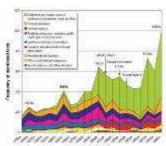
- ✓ Raporlama format ETC/BD önderliğinde farklı kurumların desteği ile oluşturulmuş
- ✓Bu dönem bir güncelleme çalışması yapılıyor



Natura 2000'in geçmişi

1790'lardan 1990lara uzanan bir süreç:

Çevre konularına ilişkin farkındalığın artışı



(IUCN kınmızı listeleri, Stockholm Konferansı, petrol krizi v.b.)

√1970 UNESCO – İnsan ve Biyosfer Programı

✓1971 Ramsar Sözleşmesi

√1979 Bonn Sözleşmesi

√ 1979 Bem Sözleşmesi

√1992 Biyolojik Çeşirlilik Sözleşmesi



Avrupa Birliği Süreci:

1973 – 1976: İlk Çevre programı

1985: AB'nin çevre konularına ilişkin ilk resmi kanunu

1979: Kuş Direktifi – 12 Üye ülke tarafından kabul edildi

1992: Habitat Direktifi – Bern Sözleşmesinin Uygulaması olarak

CORINE'ın geliştirilmesi

COordination of INformation on the Environment - Çevre verilerin

koordinasyonu -1985 - 1990

✓ CORINE Hava

✓ CORINE Biyotop

✓ CORINE Arazi Örtüsü

✓ CORINE Su



AÇA'nın kurulmasına yönelik ilk adımlar gibi değerlendirilebilir

CORINE Biyotop Sınıflandırması:

Alanlann envanteri (veri bankası)

Biyotop Sınıflandırması

Biyotop sınıflandırması fitososyoloji tanımlamaları temel alır

Veri Bankasına http://www.eea.europa.eu/data-and-maps/data/conne-biotopes adresinden ulaşabilirsiniz

Biyocoğrafik Seminerler: Uygulamanın desteklenmesi için bir araç

Bazı Üye Devletlerde N2000 Alanları aynı başka ulusal statülere de sahip olabiliyor (öm. Cairgorm hem SAC hem de SPA ayrıca 6 farklı ulusal koruma statüsüne sahip).

Natura 2000 alanları ülke sınırlarını tanımayan bir ağdır bu yüzden bazı zamanlarda ülkelere arası önlemler almak gerekebilmektedir.

Direktifler Amaç ve Hedeflerin çerçevesini çizer ancak üye ülkeler alan seçimi ve yönetiminde kullanacakları farklı/çeşitli yaklaşımları belirlemekte özgürdür. Örn. Fransa ve Almanya'da bulunan Natura 2000 alanlarının toplamları yüzde olarak yakındır ancak Fransa geniş alanlar belirmeyi tercih ederken Almanya birçok küçük alan belirlemeyi tercih etmiştir.



HABITATLAR:

✓ Liste 231 farklı habitat'tan oluşmaktadır...

✓ Belirli biyocoğrafik bir bölgenin nadir, tehdit altında veya tipik habitatlarını bu listede yer almaktadır. Genelikle bitki toplulukları olmakla birlikte peyzaj ve abiyotik özellikleri nedeniyle eklenmiş habitatlar da yer almaktadır.

√ Tanımlara Habitat Yorumlama Rehberinde ulusal sınıflandırma bağlantıları ile birlikte verilmiştir.

(istisnaların çoğu peyzaj değerlerine bağlı olarak seçilen habitatlardan oluşmaktadır. E.g 1620 Boreal Baltik Adaları ve küçük adalar)





Yorumlamalardan doğan farklılıklar:

Farklı ülkeler (hatta bazen aynı ülke içinde farklı bölgeler) bazı habitatları farklı yorumladılar bu yüzden komşu ülkelerden uzmanlarla bir araya gelmek yorumların daha uyumlu olmasına destek sağlayacaktır.

Marine Natura 2000 Alanları; Daha çok yeni bir süreç bu nedenle üye ülkelere alanlarından belirlenmesi ve önerilmesi için ek süre verilmiş

Karasal tür ve habitatların nerdeyse tamamlanmış durumda ve odağın alanların yönetimine kaydırılması ihtiyacı kendini gösteriyor.

Madde 17 (raporlama) birçok habitat ve türün uygun koruma statüsüne ulaşmak için restorasyon çalışmalarına ihtiyaç duyduğunu gösteriyor.



AB Üyeliğine Hazırlık Süreci

- ✓ Direktiflerin Ulusal Mevzuata aktarılması
- ✓ Her bir biyocoğrafik bölgede varolan Ek 1 Habitat ve Ek II türlerinin tanımlanınası (Referans Listesi)
- ✓ Gerekli olduğu durumlarda direktif eklerine girecek yeni bölgeler için sunulan değişiklik önerileninin sunulması ve mutabakata varılması (detaylı bilimsel gerekçeleri ile birlikte)
- ✓Topluluk için önemli alarıların (SCI) belirlenmesi ve üyelik günü için hazırlanması
- √Özel korunan alanların (SAPs) üyelik gününde ilan edilmesi için gerekli altlığın hazırlanması



İhtiyaçlar:

- ✓ Ivi envanterler
- ✓Yeni habitat tanımı
- √Yeni tür ranımı

AB genişledikçe eklerin adapte edilmesi gerekiyor

Hangi Habitat ve Türler eklenebilir?

Habitatlar

- (i) Doğal yayılışları itibariyle yokolma tehlikesi altında olanlar;
- (ii) Regresyonları veya önemli derecede dar yayılış alanları nedeniyle küçük doğal yayılış alanı olanlar
- (iii) Söz konusu biyocoğrafik bölgeye dair bir veya birçok tipik özellikler örneği sergileyen alanlar

Türler

- (i) Tehlike altında.
- (ii) Hassas
- (iii) Nadir, henüz tehlike altında veya hassas durumda olmayan ancak risk altında küçük popülasyonlara sahip olan türler
- (iv) Endemik ve özel önem gerektiren türler

Yeni eklenecek türler için argümanlar

Olumlu karşılananlar:

- ✓ Bern sözleşmesinin Ek I, II ve III'te listelerinde olması
- ✓ Küresel, Bölgesel ve Ulusal Kırmızı Listelerde yer alması



Olumsuz karşılananlar:

- ✓ Yeni taksonomik gruplar
- √ Taksonomik sorunlar çıkartan türlerden kaçınılması gerekir.
- ✓ Genellikle Habitat kapsıyorsa red ediyorlar
- ✓Hem ek II hem de EK IV'de eklenmesi



Eklerin adaptasyonuna dair birkaç örnek

Maskeli sivri fare (Sorex caecutiens) Polonya'da kirmizi liste türü ançak İsveç ve Finlandya'da tehlike altındaki türler arasında sayılmadığı için kabul edilmiyor

Macaristan kör fare'yi öneriyor ancak Bulgaristan Balkanlarda yaygın olması nedeniyle itiraz ediyor

Kabul edilen ve sınırlı dağılım gösteren endemik tür örnekleri:

Fauna

Marmota marmota latirostis - Polonya'ya ve Karpatlara endemik

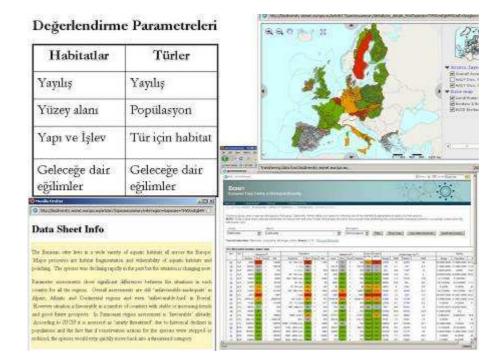
Ovis orientalis - Kıbrıs'a endemik

Hora.

Rhinanthus osilensis — Batı, Kuzey Batı Saarema adasına endemik $\langle EE \rangle$

Habitat Direktifi Madde 17 Raporlama

- √6 yılda 1 raporlama gerektiriyor
- ✓ Raporlar her bir biyocoğrafik bölge için her bir habitat ve türü kapsıyor
- ✓ Web tabanlı bir raporlama sistemi
- ✓Bölgesel değerlendirme ETC/BD tarafından yapılıyor
- ✓ Üye devlet ve ETC/BD daha sonra bunlan online geri bildirim süreci için yayınlamak zorunda.
- ✓Her bir değerlendirme için bir veri dokümanı hazırlanıyor.
- ✓ Gerekli durumlarda bir denetim süreci gerçekleşebiliyor.



Madde 17'nin kullanım alanı

- ✓ AB Polinkalarına karkı sağlamak
- √ Göstergeler
- 🗸 AB Araştırma projelerine katkı
- 🗸 Kamuya, ilgi gruplarına ve diğerlerine bilgi aktarmak

Daha fazla bilgi için;

http://biodiversity.eionet.europa.eu/article17

Referans Listeleri

- ✓ Her bir biyocoğrafik bölgede üye devletlerde varolan habitat (Ek I, Habitat
 Direktifi) ve türlerin (Ek II, Habitat Direktifi) listelenmesi;
- ✓ Sadece Üye Devletlerin Topluluk için önemli alan önerisi yapmakla yükümlü olduğu düzenli olarak var olan türleri ve habitatları listeleyin;
- ✓ Düzensiz görülen ve rastlantısal konukları liste dışında bırakın. Referans listeleri her bir üye devletin tür listesi değildir.
- ✓ Listeler elde edilen yeni veriler (araştırmalar, tür/habitat'ın dağılımına ilişkin değişiklikler v.b.) ışığında düzenli olarak güncellenmektedir;
- ✓ Denizel ve Karasal habitat ve türler için ayrı referans listeleri hazırlayın ancak göçmen balık türleri her iki listede yer alabilir.

Daha detaylı bilgiler Ziyaret raporu tamamlandığında sizlerle paylaşılacaktır...

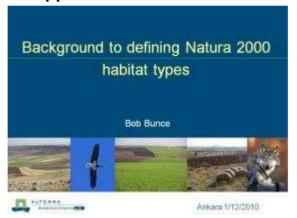
Teşekkür ederiz

Melike Hemmami, Özge Balkız ve Yakup Kaska



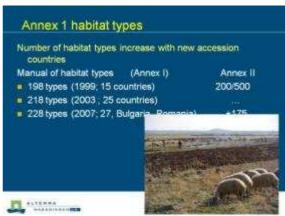


Appendix 4: Presentation Habitats









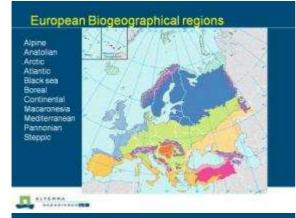




History of habitat classification (1945 onwards): nature reserve selection,

- increasingly based on habitats
- Woodward (1985) world biomes
- European union (1986) CORINE biotopes
- Palearctic & Annex I habitats
- Moss & Davies (1998) EUNIS classification (not to be confused with EUNIS information system)
- Bunce et al. (2008) BIOHAB





Procedure for proposing new habitats Habitats Princetive - Annex I - admit on of habitat types Proposed by Name of habitat age: Correction of Potencial Habitats 1993 /Code No.: Habitat category: Blogeographical Region(s) (please mark with ">") Meditatraneat (1 Pannonict) Stack Sea (1 Sept)

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Community Interest Please mark with "X" fo of the Habitats Directive or by reason of its characteristics of one or Remarks; is the Habitat proposed a	the habitat is in dar habitat is in dar habitat has a sr extreskally rest habitat represe more of the six which one(s):	proposed ager of disappears mall natural range pricted area	ince in its natural range following its regression r example of typical
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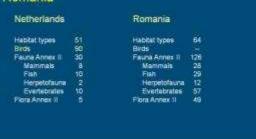
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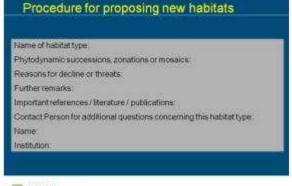
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ALTERNA SARRIVORANIES









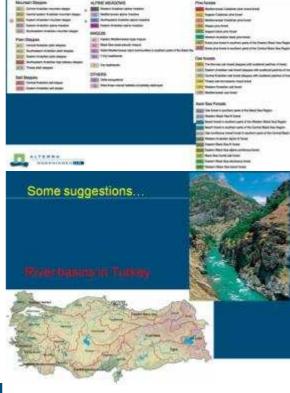




Best 10 sites for priority habitat/species

Best 3 sites for each subtype
 Best 5 sites for priority subtypes

Broad (ecologically varied) habitats subtypes (based upon national vegetation class. - different alliances)



Some suggestions...



Other remarks

- European Topic Centre coordinates information between
- Habitat descriptions agreed by the EU habitats committee
- Names agreed by the council of Ministers
- Good experience with working with expert knowledge (relatively small group): quick, pragmatic + broad consultation
- European Commission: strict in selection criteria (seminars)
- Unknown makes uncertain/afraid: good communication and information is essential!
- Most countries have some differences in interpretation
- Article 17: countries required to report on conservation status of Annex 1 Habitats



Some suggestions...

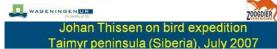
- Turkey, large, diverse country, totally new landscapes compared to European Union; marry endemic species
- Overview of vegetation/landscape units within each biogeographical region provides a basis for further research
- Identify which habitat types are already included in EU
- Select most important representative 'habital types'
 Which ones are already covered by Natura 2000 Annex I (sometimes with a little revision)?
- Which ones are important to be added (priority):

 - Rare, endemic, endangered
 Containing many endemic plant and animal species → these species should not be added necessarily to the Annex II
 Few broad defined new types instead of many small ones



Appendix 5: Presentation Johan Thissen











Johan Thissen and Natura 2000

1992-2001 senior staff officer biodiversity at the Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality

- member of the EU Scientific Working Groups for the Birds Directive and the Habitats Directive
- first selection of the Netherlands Special Protection Areas under the Bird Directive and of the proposed Sites of Community Interest under the Habitats Directive





Johan Thissen and Natura 2000

2005-2007 senior staff officer Natura 2000 at the Ministry of ANF

- secretary of the project "goals for Natura 2000"
- member of Natura 2000 help desk for authorities





Categories of Habitats Directive species

- Annex II species: designation of Natura 2000 sites (active site-oriented measures)
- Annex IV species : forbidden to persecute and to disturb the animals and their breeding and resting sites (passive legal protection)
- Annex V species : exploitation (for example hunting) allowed, but under conditions





Reference lists process for Annex II species

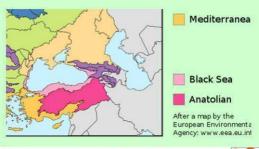
Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
Check presence of current Annex II species in Turkey		Committee	Inform European Commission on the presence of Annex II species per biogeographic region	Reference list will be finalised at the start of biogeographical seminar

European Topic Centre on Biological Diversity (Paris) will do work on behalf of the European Commission





For each biogeographic region Turkey has to make a reference list of Annex II species







Criteria for new Natura 2000 species : Annex II of the Habitats Directive

- a) endangered, [...] OR
- b) vulnerable, i.e. believed likely to move into the endangered category in the near future if the causal factors continue operating OR
- o) rare [...] OR
- a) endemic and requiring particular attention ...

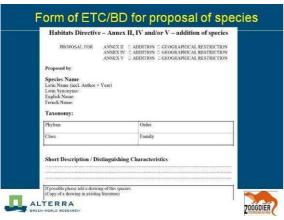
Such species are listed or may be listed in Annex II and/or Annex IV or V

Source: art. 1 of the Habitats Directive

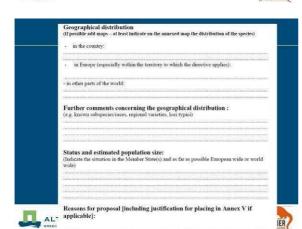










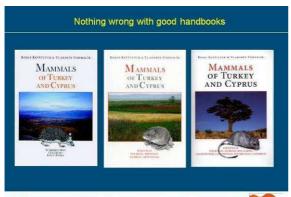




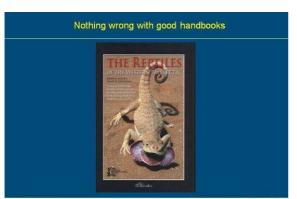








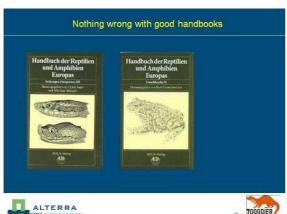












Appendix 6: Form of ETC/BD for proposal of habitats

Habitats Directive - Annex I - addition of habitat types

PROPOSAL FOR ADDITION

GEOGRAPHICAL RESTRICTION

Proposed by

Name of habitat type:

CORINE classification 1991 / Code No.:

Classification of Palearctic Habitats 1993 /Code No.:

Habitat category:

and sub-category:

Biogeographical Region(s) (please mark with "x")

Mediterranean Pannonic Black Sea

Steppic

Continental Alpine Boreal

Community interest

Please mark with "X" for which of the following subparagraphs of Article 1 c of the Habitats Directive the habitat is proposed

habitat is in danger of disappearance in its natural range

habitat has a small natural range following its regression or by reason of its intrinsically restricted area

habitat represents an outstanding example of typical characteristics of one or more of the six biogeographical regions;

which one(s):

Remarks:

Is the Habitat proposed as a priority one:

Yes No

Is the Habitat present in EU 27:

Yes No.

Definition and Characteristics:				
Characteristic species:				
Comments on restriction	to the proposal (if necessary)			
Geographical Distribution - in the country	1 (please add maps, if possible)			
Further comments concedistribution: (e.g. known subtypes, regional varieties, vegetation classification systems)	rning the geographical , loci-typici, correspondence with other habitat or			
Phytodynamic succession	ns, zonations or mosaics:			
Reasons for decline or th	reats:			
Further remarks:				
Important references / li	terature / publications:			
Contact Person for additi habitat type: Name: Institution:	onal questions concerning this			
Postal Address: Country Phon Fax No E-ma				

Name of habitat type:

Appendix 7: Form of ETC/BD for proposal of species

PROPOSAL FOR	ANNEX IV AD	DITION GEOGRAPHICAL RESTRICTION DITION GEOGRAPHICAL RESTRICTION DITION GEOGRAPHICAL RESTRICTION		
Proposed by				
Species Name Latin Name (incl. Author + Latin Synonyms: English Name: French Name:	Year)			
Taxonomy:				
Phylum		Order		
Class		Family		
Short Description / Distinguishing Characteristics				
If possible please add a drawing in existing	-			

Nai	he species pi me of Biogeo k with "x")		in EUR 27? □ Sical Region(s) (only		□ No sed for Anne	ex II) (1	please
	Pannonic Continental		Mediterranean Alpine		Black Sea Boreal		Steppic
Plea		"X" fo	r which of the following ecies is proposed	subparag	raphs of Artic	cle 1 g o	f the
			those species whose natu agered or vulnerable in th				tory and
	vulnerable, i.e. believed likely to move into the endangered category in the near future if the causal factors continue operating						
	rare, with small populations that are not at present endangered or vulnerable but at risk. The species is located within restricted geographical areas or are thinly scattered over a more extensive range						
	endemic and requiring attention by reason or the specific nature of its habitat or the potential impact of its expl. conservation status.						
Rem	narks:						
Is t	he Species p	ropose	ed as a priority one:				
	Yes		No				
			ions to the proposal y certain parts of Europe		sary):		
Eco	ology / most i	import	ant Habitats:				

$\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Geographical distribution} \\ \textbf{(if possible add maps-at least indicate on the annexed map the distribution of the species)} \\ \end{tabular}$

- in the country:
- in Europe (especially within the territory to which the directive applies):
- in other parts of the world:
Further comments concerning the geographical distribution: (e.g. known subspecies/races, regional varieties, loci typici)
Status and estimated population size: (Indicate the situation in the Member State(s) and as far as possible European wide or world wide)
Reasons for proposal [including justification for placing in Annex V if applicable]:

International Co (Please mark with "x	onventions and Ins x" if mentioned)	struments:						
Bern Convention:	Annex 1 Annex 2 Annex 3	CITES Regulations:	Annex 1 Annex 2					
Bonn Convention:	Annex 1 Annex 2							
-	Important references / literature / publications: (especially those relevant for the taxonomy, conservation status and geographical distribution)							
Further remarks								
Contact Person 1	for additional que	stions concerning this ha	bitat type:					
Name	Institution	_						
Postal Address								
Country		Phone No						
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