

Preparation of the Fourth National Report of the Republic of Croatia to the Convention on Biological Diversity



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Preparation of the 4th NR to CBD

- Created within the project financially assisted by the GEF and implemented by the UNDP
- Project was implemented during the period of September 2008 – May 2009
- Executive agency of the project - Ministry of Culture - *Nature Protection Directorate*
- Based on the new NBSAP (adopted in November 2008)
- Reference manual to the preparation of the fourth national report
- Guidelines for the fourth national report

Preparation activities

- Establishment of a National Report Coordination Team to oversee the preparation of the report
 - ✓ Ministry of Culture
 - ✓ State Institute for Nature Protection
 - ✓ Ministry of Environmental Protection, Physical Planning and Construction
 - ✓ Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development
 - ✓ Ministry of Sea, Transport and Infrastructure
 - ✓ Ministry of Regional Development, Forestry and Water Management
 - ✓ Ministry of Economy, Labour and Entrepreneurship
 - ✓ Secretariat of Green Forum Network
 - ✓ Croatian environmental agency
 - ✓ Fond for environmental protection and energy efficiency

- Short-term local consultant in the area of biodiversity and nature protection for coordination of preparation and drafting of the 4th NR to CBD
 - compilation of existing data and information
 - additional data collecting and reviewing (SINP, WWF, CEA...)
 - presentation of the draft report to the stakeholders
 - The consultant reviewed all received comments to the 1st draft report and prepare the 2nd draft and delivered it to the MoC

- Short-term local consultant in the area of plant diversity and plant conservation for preparation and drafting of the chapter Progress towards Targets of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation
- Short-term local consultant for the Croatian-English / English-Croatian translation and proofreading

Review of existing information relevant to reporting on the implementation of the CBD at national level

- NBSAP
- Report on the state of nature and nature protection status
- Red list of the threatened flora and fauna of Croatia
- Red books
- LC Management plan
- NEN
- Emerald Network in Croatia
- Biodiversity of Croatia
- National biodiversity information system/database
- Karst ecosystem conservation database
- Croatian Environmental Agency database on biodiversity...

- 16th February 2009 → The 1st draft of the 4th NR
- 27th of February → presentation to the stakeholders at the consultation meeting
- published on the webpage of MoC
- All received comments for the 1st draft report has been reviewed; afterwards the final report has been prepared.
- Report is sent for translation and proofreading
- Submission of the report: 20 May 2009
- http://www.min-kulture.hr/userdocsimages/priroda/4th_NR%20to%20CBD.pdf

Sectoral and Intersectoral Integration of Biodiversity Conservation

- general and special provisions and measures of the Nature Protection Act (NPA) anticipate an integration of conservation and sustainable use of biological and landscape diversity into other sectors
- most sectoral regulations address issues of conservation and management of biodiversity
- use of natural resources is governed by management plans and physical plans, taking into consideration conservation of biological and landscape diversity

Sectoral and Intersectoral Integration of Biodiversity Conservation

The following sectors were taken in consideration:

- Intersectoral integration of biodiversity concerns through sustainable use
 1. Agriculture
 2. Forestry
 3. Hunting
 4. Freshwater fisheries
 5. Marine fisheries
 6. Use of GMOs
 7. Water management
 8. Tourism
 9. Transport
 10. Energy
 11. Mining
- General intersectoral integration
 1. Education
 2. Research and monitoring
 3. Public information and participation
 4. Physical planning
 5. Nature Impact Assessment

Sectoral and Intersectoral Integration of Biodiversity Conservation

- General state in sector
 - ❖ Status, threats and trends
- Success story
 - ❖ Cooperation of two sectors
 - ❖ Transport and Wildlife crossings in Croatia

Sectoral and Intersectoral Integration of Biodiversity Conservation

- Status of integrating biodiversity concerns into sector

- ❖ **Activities**

- ✓ Adoption of legal acts
 - ✓ Enactment of Strategies
 - ✓ Implementation of Programmes (EU's IPARD programme in Agriculture)
 - ✓ Proposal of list of indicators of the other thematic areas related to biodiversity indicators

- ❖ **Assessment of National Strategy implementation**

- ✓ Number of AP implemented

- ❖ **Guidelines for the following period**

Thank you for your attention!



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