Annex II

Combined annual reporting and forward planning format

Annual Report for Year 2023 and Plan for Year 2024 (4 pages maximum) Submission deadline:

1. Title of your Regional Initiative: Regional Initiative on Black Sea Coastal Wetlands

2. Work and activities undertaken during 2023

Provide a simple summary on your work undertaken by listing your activities, the results achieved and your indicators of success according to the format below:

objectives	activities	results/outputs	2023 indicators
1. Managing the activity of the Coordination Unit of BlackSeaWet.	1.1 Expenditure directly related with functioning of the BlackSeaWet, website, bank account. etc.	1.1.1 Organization of the 6th Meeting of the Management Body of BlackSeaWet.	Consultations were held on postponing the Meeting.
		1.1.2 Creation of the BlackSea web-resources.	Web-resource information. Facebook group BlackSeaWet Ramsar Regional Initiative was managed https://www.facebook.com/groups/575798669942210
2. Exchange and distribution on of information and raising awareness of the issues.	2.1 Raising public awareness.	2.1.1 Facilitating the exchange of information and joint activities on World Wetland Day	Materials are distributed, including through the WWD website.
	2.2 Exchange of information and technologies for conservation of wetlands and their wise use.	2.2.3 Identification and prioritization of invasive alien species and pathways of their introduction and expansion in wetlands from the region.	Drafts of lists of invasive alien species of wetlands prepared for Türkiye and for Ukraine. A draft legistlation about IAS had prepared for Türkiye More info at www.teriasturk.org www.mariasturk.org. Bulgaria, as a member of the EU implements the regulations, creates a national list of IAS, establishes a link to the National System for Monitoring the State of Biological Diversity with IAS data; defines the responsible authorities in Bulgaria for implementing the Regulation (MOEW, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Customs, Environmental Executive Agency), collects information on the presence and spread of IAS and includes it in the national reports, and carries out pilot activities to reduce the populations of IAS of Union concern.

			Amendments to the national legislation and other activities are underway, including approval of measures in the National Plan under the new Strategy of Biological Diversity in Bulgaria, adoption of three Action Plans on priority pathways of unintentional introduction and spread of IAS, involvement of citizens in the control of IAS, establishment of financial instruments, etc. Three national action plans have been developed to address the priority pathways under the categories: escape from confinement, transport and corridors and national dispersal.
3. Elaboration and coordination of the project on the coastal wetlands of Black and Azov Seas	3.2 Advocacy and inclusion of issues related to the conservation and wise use of wetlands to environmental projects in the region.	3.2.1 Investigating various aspects and developing management plans for the conservation and wise use of wetlands.	Wetland Management Plan of Kızılırmak Delta was revised in 2023
	3.3 Implement joint cross-border projects.	3.3.1 Restoring the Danube Delta.	Many activities took place. More information on the project website https://rewilding-danube-delta.com/
4. Wetlands inventory, conservation, restoration and maintenance	4.1 Inventory of wetland habitats and species;	4.1.2 Identification of databases of habitats and species	National wetland inventory database of Türkiye has accomplished in 2023. 6757 wetland which has 1.65 million ha. area determined in the database.
	4.2 Identification of priorities for common actions and for wetlands restoration to be jointly undertaken in the Region	4.2.1 Draft wetland restoration strategy/ policy in a country, data on barriers	Draft wetland restoration guide has prepared for Türkiye.
		4.2.2 Restoration activities and conservation measures from action plans for waterfowl, limitation of the biogenic inflow and succession processes were carried for various wetlands and Ramsar sites	By Bulgaria, the activities to improve the water regime in the Ramsar Site "Poda" and to limit the succession processes in the Ramsar Site "Vaya Lake" have been completed. Activities to improve the condition of Durankulak Lake and Lake Shabla were carried out.

3. Financial report for Year 2023

Provide a summary of income and expenditures. If you use another currency than Swiss Franc (CHF), please provide an average exchange rate to allow conversion into CHF:

Activities	Alanned expenditures (CHF)	Actual expenditures (CHF)
1.1 Elaborate the project proposal for the assessment and management of the impact of climate changes on the coastal wetlands of Black and Azov Seas.	15,000.00 CHF	Activity has been postponed
1.2 The 6th Meeting of the Management Body of the BlackSeaWet.	10,000.00 CHF	Activity has been postponed
1.3 Development the cooperation with MedWet.	5,000.00 CHF	Activity has been postponed
4. Manage the activity of Coordination Unit of BlackSeaWet.	5,000.00 CHF	5.000 CHF (Türkiye has begun the coordinate the Blackseawet in 2023.)
total	35,000.00 CHF	

Sources of income	Income received
Donor name	amount (currency)
Ramsar core budget (where applicable)	amount (currency)
Total	

Financial balance at 31 December 2023: total unspent and uncommitted balance left to be carried over to 2024, or deficit:

For those initiatives receiving funding from the Convention in 2024, please explain how this funding has been spent or committed, and compare this to the plan on which the funding request was based. Explain any significant scope or timetable changes:

4. Work and activities planned for Year 2024
Provide a simple summary of your planned work, by listing your activities, their anticipated results and your indicators of success according to the format below:

objectives	activities	results/outputs	indicators
1. Managing the activity of the Coordination Unit of BlackSeaWet.	1.1 Expenditure directly related with functioning of the BlackSeaWet, website, bank account. etc.	1.1.1 Organization of the 6th Meeting of the Management Body of BlackSeaWet.	A number of experts and national focal points participating, reports of the meetings.
	1.2 Taking measures to update the membership of the BlackSeaWet.	1.1.2 Creation of the BlackSea web-resources. 1.2.1 Enhancing the work of the Initiative, in particular through the exchange of information via e-mail, joint conferences and events.	Web-resource information. A number of joint activities.
	1.3 Establishing a management body for BlackSeaWet.	1.3.1 Work on the renewal of the existing management body of BlackSeaWet, the transition of the right of chairmanship.	A defined way of managing BlackSeaWet.
2. Exchange and distribution on of information and raising awareness of the issues.	2.1 Raising public awareness.	2.1.1 Facilitating the exchange of information and joint activities on World Wetland Day	Distribution of information between partners. Information available on the web-resources
		2.3 Public awareness activities on other relevant topics	Distribution of information between partners, number of events and their participants.
	2.2 Exchange of information and technologies for conservation of wetlands and their wise use.	2.2.1 Working out a joint database on the main characteristics of the wetlands of the region.	Distribution of information between partners. Information available on the web-resources.
		2.2.2 To take action on the exchange of information and the spreading of developed techniques and experience in evaluating and mapping ecosystem services of wetlands, particularly on cultural values of wetlands	Distribution of information between partners. Information available on the web-resources.
		2.2.3 Identification and prioritization of invasive alien species and pathways of their	List of invasive alien species of wetlands from the region.

3. Elaboration and coordination of the project on the coastal wetlands of Black and Azov Seas.	3.1 Working meetings for the elaboration of project proposals and submission.	introduction and expansion in wetlands from the region. 3.1.1 Project proposals elaboration.	Distribution of information between partners. Project proposals prepared for submission.
	3.2 Advocacy and inclusion of issues related to the conservation and wise use of wetlands to environmental projects in the region.	3.2.1 Investigating various aspects and developing management plans for the conservation and wise use of wetlands.	Project drafts prepared for submission.
	3.3 Implement joint cross-border projects.	3.3.1 Restoring the Danube Delta.	Number of actions, reports.
4. Wetlands inventory, conservation, restoration and maintenance	4.1 Inventory of wetland habitats and species;	4.1.1 Consultations on wetlands inventory needs and their role in supporting sustainable and climateresilient water management	Exchange of information between partners
		4.1.2 Identification of databases of habitats and species	Exchange of information between partners
	4.2 Identification of priorities for common actions and for wetlands restoration to be jointly undertaken in the Region	4.2.1 Draft wetland restoration strategy/ policy in a country, data on barriers	Report on activities; agreements on transborder cooperation
		4.2.2 Restoration activities and conservation measures from action plans for waterfowl, limitation of the biogenic inflow and succession processes were carried for various wetlands and Ramsar sites	Report on activities

Please provide a financial summary of your 2024 plan. If you use another currency than Swiss Franc (CHF), please provide an average exchange rate to allow conversion into CHF:

Activities	Forecast expenditures (CHF)
1.1 Elaborate the project proposal for the	5,000.00 CHF
assessment and management of the impact	
of climate changes on the coastal wetlands	
of Black and Azov Seas.	
1.2 The 6th Meeting of the Management	10,000.00 CHF
Body of the BlackSeaWet.	

1.3 Manage the activity of Coordination	5,000.00 CHF
Unit of BlackSeaWet.	
Total	20,000.00 CHF

Sources of Income	Forecast amount of income
Donor name	
Total	