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INVITATION  
25 September 2019

- Time:** 4 November 2019, 9.30 – 14.30 (coffee from 9.00)
- Invited:** Swedish governmental agencies, private sector, NGOs and other stakeholders, and the EU Commission. See enclosed list.
- Venue:** Swedish Environmental Protection Agency, Virkesvägen 2, 120 30 Stockholm, Sweden. 8<sup>th</sup> floor. See enclosed directions.

**You are hereby invited to a bilateral meeting between Sweden and the EU Commission, regarding implementation of the EU Nature Directives.**

Please let us know as soon as possible if you would like to attend, by emailing us as indicated below, no later than 4 October.

Since seats are limited, we kindly ask organisations to limit their representation. A confirmation of your participation will be sent no later than 18 October.

The core of our discussions will be how to improve implementation of nature legislation to maximise its effectiveness for protected habitats and species. Implementation challenges can be highlighted, preferably with suggestions on how to improve our handling of them.

To prepare the agenda further, we kindly ask for your suggestions. If you would like to present something briefly, such as a good example, please let us know. We will prioritise discussions to identify actions to improve implementation, actual results, by Sweden or the EU. You are of course also welcome to join to listen or ask questions.

*Preliminary topics for the agenda:*

1. Designation of Natura 2000 sites (sufficiency)
2. Management of Natura 2000 sites (plans, implementation)
3. Permits for plans / projects likely to have a significant effect on Natura 2000
4. Interlinkages between the Nature Directives and Common Agricultural Policy, EU forest strategy and marine policy (CFP, MSFD...).

5. Species protection measures (including handling of derogations)
6. Monitoring of species and habitats (status, trends, threats...)
7. Financing of measures, by public or private funding, Swedish or EU

If your organisation would like to attend, please email us and give information as indicated by the template below. Please replace items in brackets, [ ], with relevant information. Send this to [Anne-Li.Maurin@Naturvardsverket.se](mailto:Anne-Li.Maurin@Naturvardsverket.se) no later than 4 October:

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Our organisation, *[name of organisation]*, would like to participate in the meeting about the implementation of nature directives on 4 November, with our following representative/s.

*[Name], [email address]*

*[Please also let us know if you have any food allergies or dietary restrictions]*

For the agenda, we consider that the following topics from the preliminary agenda would need more time:

*[Please indicate which topics you would prefer to spend more time on]*

*Items below are voluntary:*

If time allows, we would like to hold a short presentation on the topic *[state topic]*.

Challenge: *[state the challenge in a few words]*

Proposed action: *[state your proposal for action by Sweden or the EU briefly]*

To reach the objective: *[clarify briefly which objective in the Nature Directives that will be met, or partly/better met, by your proposed action]*

This proposed presentation will be held together with *[list cooperating organisations, if any]*.

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If you would like to hold a short presentation, please note that time is limited. We will try to fit it into the agenda but cannot guarantee it. If it suits you to cooperate and hold a common presentation together with others invited, it would be helpful. We will let you know how much time will be allotted to your presentation (if any) when we confirm your participation. A more detailed agenda will be sent out later to confirmed participants.

The meeting will be held in English. Participants cover their own costs for travel. Lunch and coffee will be served.

If you have questions about the registration, food or venue, please contact [anne-li.maurin@naturvardsverket.se](mailto:anne-li.maurin@naturvardsverket.se). For other questions, please contact [conny.jacobson@naturvardsverket.se](mailto:conny.jacobson@naturvardsverket.se).

**Welcome to the meeting, we look forward to seeing you.**

*Enclosed: map and directions.*