



# EU Platform on Coexistence between People and Large Carnivores

## Regional Workshop of the EU Platform on Coexistence between People and Large Carnivores

18-20 April 2016, Berlin, Germany

### INVITATION

#### LARGE CARNIVORES IN CENTRAL EUROPE: EXPERIENCES IN MONITORING, MANGEMENT, AND COMMUNICATION

Venue: NABU Federal Headquarter, Charitéstrasse 3, D-10117 Berlin

Dear Sir/ Madam,

We have great pleasure in inviting you to the EU Large Carnivore Platform's third regional workshop. The workshop is organised by the platform member WWF in cooperation with NABU (BirdLife Germany).

The main aim of the workshop will be to share ideas, examples of good practice and scientific research on the monitoring and management of large carnivores in Central Europe, with a particular focus on cross-border activities and conflict resolution between stakeholders. Lessons that are relevant to other parts of Europe will also be drawn. A draft agenda and information on the location is attached to this invitation. An updated agenda and practical information will be sent in the coming weeks to registered participants.

**Please express your interest in the workshop by e-mailing [lcplatform@adelphi.de](mailto:lcplatform@adelphi.de) with your name, organisation and any dietary preferences by 20 March 2016. After this date, please contact us to check if there is still space as places are limited.**

We would appreciate your active contribution to the workshop and look forward to greeting you in Berlin.

Kind regards,

WWF and NABU (organisers and hosts) and

European Landowners Organization and European Commission (co-chairs of the Platform)

*For more information on the work of the Platform, please see:*

[http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/conservation/species/carnivores/coexistence\\_platform.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/conservation/species/carnivores/coexistence_platform.htm)



## Draft Agenda

**Monday 18 April – Evening Session 18:00-20:00**

### **Population trend and geographical extension of Large Carnivores in Central Europe**

Overview presentation and discussion on methodologies

Key note presentations:

Current situation on wolves in Central Europe from a scientific perspective: Ilka Reinhardt, LUPUS Institut Germany

Biology, ecology and history of the Eurasian lynx: Urs Breitenmoser, KORA Switzerland

**Tuesday 19 April – Workshop – 09:00- 17:30**

### **Welcome and Introduction**

Welcome to Germany and the third regional workshop of the Large Carnivore Platform: Luis Suarez, WWF Spain & Günter Mitlacher, WWF Germany

Welcome by the host of the workshop: Dr. Eick von Ruschkowski, NABU Federal Headquarter

Introduction to the work of the EU Platform: Marco Cipriani, European Commission, Co-chair of the Platform, n.n. ELO, Co-chair of the Platform

### **Transboundary Management and Monitoring of Large Carnivores – experiences from Central Europe: Moderated by NABU**

German-Czech cooperation in the Trans-Lynx-Project: Sybille Wölfl, Trans-Lynx-Project (tbc)

Reintroduction of Lynx to the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Palatinate Forest-Vosges du Nord - stakeholder involvement and transboundary cooperation: Jochen Krebuehl, CEO Rhineland-Palatinate Foundation for Nature and Environment

Q&A and lead questions: What lessons have been learned from transboundary cooperation?

### **Coffee Break**

Wolf recovery and population dynamics in Western Poland: Sabina Nowak, Association for Nature "Wolf"



Preserving spatial connectivity and facilitating transboundary monitoring at the edge of an expanding brown bear population - experiences from LIFE DINALP BEAR project: Tomaz Skrbinek, University of Ljubljana
Potential development of EU-wide guidelines on data collection and involvement of stakeholders: Discussion moderated by John Linnell, IUCN Large Carnivore Initiative for Europe
<b>Lunch</b>
<b>Communication and conflict resolution</b>
Key note: The missing lynx – understanding hunters’ opposition to large carnivores: Ulrich Schraml, University of Freiburg
Wolf in the Alps: implementation of coordinated wolf conservation actions in core areas and beyond: Francesca Marucco, LIFE WolfAlps project
Lead questions, conclusions and recommendations
<b>Coffee Break</b>
Presentation of Material for education in schools from WWF Germany, NABU and others
NABU’s Wolf communication strategy, system of wolf stewards: Anette Wolff, NABU Federal Branch
The Wolf: burden or flagship for the region - Experiences from the communication work in Saxony: Vanessa Ludwig, Kontaktbüro Wolf, Lausitz
Large Carnivores: Improving communication between stakeholders: Michael Hertfelder
Lead questions, conclusions and recommendations: moderated by co-chairs
Next Steps: moderated by co-chairs
Closure of the meeting: WWF & NABU
<b>Dinner and Berlin Visit</b>

**Wednesday, 20th April 2016, 9:00-15:00**

Field trip (details tbc.)

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## Practical Information

### Location – Berlin

The workshop will take place at the **NABU Federal Headquarter, Charitéstrasse 3, D-10117 Berlin.**



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### Accommodation

Rooms in the hotel **Arte Luise Kunsthof, Luisenstr. 19, 10117 Berlin**, have been block-booked until **7 March 2016**. Please refer to “adelphi” when booking a room.

Tel.: +49 30 28448-0, E-Mail: [info@luise-berlin.com](mailto:info@luise-berlin.com)

Website: <http://www.luise-berlin.com/en/hotel/arte-luise-kunsthof/>

Other nearby possibilities include:

- Hotel Albrechtshof <http://www.hotel-albrechtshof.de/>
- Best Western Hotel Berlin-Mitte <https://www.bestwestern.de/hotels/Berlin/BEST-WESTERN-Hotel-Berlin-Mitte>
- Motel One am Hauptbahnhof <http://www.motel-one.com/en/hotels/berlin/hotel-berlin-hauptbahnhof/>
- Intercity am Hauptbahnhof <https://www.intercityhotel.com/hotels/alle-hotels/deutschland/berlin/intercityhotel-berlin-hauptbahnhof>

## Getting to the workshop


### By Public Transport:

You can walk direct from Berlin Hauptbahnhof [http://www.bahnhof.de/bahnhof-de/Berlin\\_Hauptbahnhof.html](http://www.bahnhof.de/bahnhof-de/Berlin_Hauptbahnhof.html) to the venue. Train tickets within Germany can be bought from the Deutsche Bahn Website: [http://www.bahn.de/p\\_en/view/index.shtml](http://www.bahn.de/p_en/view/index.shtml)

There are several possibilities to get to the venue in Charitéstraße 3: either by bus, city train (S-Bahn) or Metro. The closest stations are:

**Bus**  Bus 147: "Karlplatz" (TXL), Schumannstraße (Bus 147)

**City-train** : Friedrichstraße, Brandenburger Tor, Hauptbahnhof

**Metro** : Bundestag, Brandenburger Tor

Online timetables for public transport in Berlin can be viewed here: <http://www.bvg.de/en>

From there it is a short walk of about 10 minutes to the venue.

### By Plane:

There are two airports in Berlin: Tegel Airport and Schönefeld Airport ( <http://www.berlin-airport.de/en/index.php>). From there you can take public transport means to get to the NABU Federal Headquarter, Charitéstrasse 3, D-10117 Berlin. From Tegel Airport ride the bus TXL until the station "Karlplatz". From Schönefeld Airport take the city train (S-Bahn) or Regionalexpress to the station "Friedrichstraße". From there it is only a short walk to the venue.

### Taxi:

The cost per ride depends on the airport of arrival. Minimum fare starts with 3.20 €, up to 7 km the fare is 1.65 € per km, and over 7 km it is 1.28 € per km. All taxis have the meters and it is possible to pay with debit/credit cards too. From Tegel Airport it is approximately 9 km to the hotel, from Schönefeld Airport it is approximately 21 km.

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