



Questionnaire for the expression of interest for participating in a collaborative partnership on sustainable wildlife management

1. What are your expectations for a collaborative partnership on sustainable wildlife management (with a focus on supporting developing countries in implementing the recommendations of the CBD Liaison Group on Bushmeat)?

FAO sees merit in creating a partnership among all major international organizations, institutions and bodies dealing with different aspects of wildlife management for conservation and sustainable use, including ecology, livelihoods, climate and health issues, to achieve better coordination and collaboration in these related topics. In this way, the thematic scope of the proposed Collaborative Partnership should be wider and not limited to supporting the implementation of the recommendations of the CBD Liaison Group on Bushmeat (which, in our view, should continue as a separate entity). The geographic range of the Collaborative Partnership would be extended beyond tropical and sub-tropical countries as many problems related to wildlife occur in other geographical regions as well.

2. What are key experiences of your organization in sustainable wildlife management at global, regional and national level?

FAO's mandate is to raise levels of nutrition and to improve agricultural productivity and the livelihood of rural populations through increased food production and sustainable use of natural resources. To this end, the organization has a long standing experience in supporting its member countries for more than six decades, to develop and implement policies, programmes and projects related to the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources, including wildlife management. FAO operates through a large network of regional, sub-regional and national offices, with an almost global coverage.

3. Which organizational format would you suggest for a possible partnership on sustainable wildlife management? (Please cite examples of other international partnerships, if possible).

The proposed Collaborative Partnership on Wildlife (CPW) could be constituted by international organizations and other institutions of international relevance for wildlife management such as CBD, CIC, CMS, CITES, FAO, IUCN, IUFRO, UNEP and WWF International. The operational structure could be adapted from the Collaborative

Partnership on Forests (CPF), maybe considering a rotating Chair and a small Secretariat for operational purposes. The Secretariat should be located in a member institution that volunteers for the purpose and has high outreach capacity for various stakeholders. The members should work in a participatory way for all the planning, programming and fund-raising of the Partnership.

4. Which resources could you contribute to the partnership, if any?

FAO is a neutral international forum of wide membership and strong technical capacity. FAO would be pleased to offer its technical expertise in natural resources management and its facilitation skills to become a member and support in a dynamic way the development of CPW activities.