

# WaddenSea Board

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| <b>Submitted by:</b> | Chair TG-M      |

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Attached is the report of the seventh meeting of the Task Group Management (TG-M 7)

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| <b>Proposal</b> | <b>The meeting is invited to note the document</b> |
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## **Report TG-M 7**

The seventh meeting of the Task Group Management (TG-M 7) was held 21-22 January 2013.

The main agenda items were topical conservation issues and sustainable fisheries, as well as the preparation of the 2014 governmental conference.

### Nature restoration

WSB-6 had decided that the issue of nature restoration will be addressed at the 2014 conference by means of presenting some good examples. The meeting agreed to address the issue at TG-M 8. All TG-M members will collect ideas for projects to be presented at the conference.

TG-M supported the proposal by the JMMB to organise a workshop to identify the most pressing issues regarding coastal breeding birds and to prepare recommendations to the 2014 conference. TG-M emphasised that the input to TGC-12 should be action oriented and focused on a limited number of specific bird species, habitats and measures.

### Invasive alien species

TG-M was informed about the status of the LIFE+ application on invasive alien species. The Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs, also responsible for agriculture and nature protection, has made available personnel means for the preparation of a LIFE+ application for the 2013 call (deadline 25 June 2013). Meetings with potential partners had been held or planned and a meeting with all partners is scheduled for 14-15 February.

The first meeting of the ad-hoc WG alien species is planned for 20 February.

### Sustainable fisheries

For this agenda item members of the Steering Committee sustainable fisheries were present. The meeting discussed a draft guidance document on sustainable fisheries, as requested by WSB-6, prepared by the Steering Committee.

The discussion focused on the procedure for the dialogue with the stakeholders and it was decided to advice WSB to work towards the joint signing of a document with principles for sustainable fisheries at TGC-12, as a basis for the further operationalization of the principles after the conference. See also document WSB-7-5-1.

### Energy and mining

The issue of energy and mining had been raised at the WSB-6 meeting. With regard to the relevance for nature protection, TG-M acknowledged that the construction of cable corridors is an important topic.

### EU matters

TG-M agreed to collect ideas about the desired contents of a Natura 2000 roof report for discussion at TG-M 8 (22 May 2013).

### TMAG

TG-M supported the proposal by TMAG to prepare a report with priority issues as deliverable for the governmental conference. TG-M thanked Mr Tom Knudsen for his efforts as chairman of the TMAG and welcomed Mr Jørgenson, the new TMAG chairman.