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<b>TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR WORK UNDER THE AUSPICES OF IMPEL</b>	

## 1. Work type and title

1.1 Identify which Expert Team this needs to go to for initial consideration	
Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Waste and TFS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water and land	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nature protection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cross-cutting tools and approaches	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2 Type of work you need funding for	
Exchange visits	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Peer reviews (e.g. IRI)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Conference	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Development of tools/guidance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comparison studies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assessing legislation (checklist)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please describe): exchange of information, meeting of experts.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.3 Full name of work (enough to fully describe what the work area is)	
Examination / analysis of results of the questionnaire sent out to Members States (e.g. competent authorities, Birdlife partners, FACE partners) and one joint inspection in the field of hunting tourism, Internet search / survey.	
1.4 Abbreviated name of work or project	
Hunting Tourism.	

## 2. Outline business case (why this piece of work?)

2.1 Name the legislative driver(s) where they exist (name the Directive, Regulation, etc.)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Birds Directive.</li> </ul>

- Habitats Directive (Natura 2000).

## 2.2 Link to IMPEL MASP priority work areas

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Assist members to implement new legislation.</li> <li>2. Build capacity in member organizations through the IMPEL Review Initiatives.</li> <li>3. Work on 'problem areas' of implementation identified by IMPEL and the European Commission.</li> </ol> | <input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
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## 2.3 Why is this work needed? (background, motivations, aims, etc.)

During the workshop in Romania, in 2015, the working group identified the issue of 'hunting tourism' as an opportunity to work together to identify the scope of this activity and to identify legal and illegal aspects. This was based on a presentation from a prosecutor in Romania. This case had deep impact on nature protection status, and it seemed that illegal activities continue.

In 2015 it was examined a good example of a 'closed' regulatory system under the hunting regulation in Slovenia, by soft and hard control measures. This was also presented during the Expert Team meeting in Croatia in 2016 and this information was found useful by several Member States. Therefore, a study inspection was organized in Slovenia in 2017 to see how the system was working in practice.

In 2015 it was also developed a survey for internet search for companies who offer hunting tourism trips. The outcomes received very positive feedback during Expert Team meeting in Croatia in 2016 and there was a demand for a follow-up and more widespread search. This had a follow-up discussion on the Expert Team meeting in 2017.

During joint inspections in Slovenia it was discussed the importance of developing a questionnaire in order to get more information about the scope of the problem. The choice was made to send out the questionnaire to 3 different organisations of each Member State: a representative of an authority, a Birdlife partner and a FACE partner. There was hope that all the results of the questionnaire would be received during 2017, so they could be analysed in 2018. Due to lack of capacity it was not possible to execute these activities in 2018, but there is still great importance to start. This was also highlighted during an Illegal Killing of Birds meeting organized by the European Commission. Regarding the issue of Illegal Killing of Birds, hunting tourism is a field that would be very valuable and could be fruitfully addressed in the context of IMPEL.

The progress with the internet search and the questionnaire combined with the serious information that there are still illegal activities in hunting tourism, must lead to joint inspections with enforcement officers and probably involve custom officers as well. During the Expert Team meeting in 2018 this was a topic of discussion. In the meantime, information from the IMPEL-ESIX leads to a possible crime case. An initiative document was prepared in 2018 which contained the decision between which countries a joint inspection could be executed.

Possible actions could also target the hunting communities, the companies organizing hunting trips, the national authorities, etc. It is important to involve Birdlife and FACE on that topic.

During the core team meetings in 2019 the joint inspections will be targeted, based on most recent information out of intelligence and IMPEL-ESIX. Therefore, the same financial structure has been chosen. The basic idea is to organize the joint inspection in the country where illegal poaching took place and in the country where delivery of the illegal trophies were foreseen.

#### **2.4 Desired outcome of the work (what do you want to achieve? What will be better / done differently as a result of this project?)**

- Report / analysis of the scope of the problem according to hunting tourism based on three different points of view: competent authorities, Birdlife partners and FACE partners.
- Exchange of (enforcement) information that leads to a joint inspection in the field of hunting tourism and to investigate illegalities.
- Extend the network of inspectors working together.

#### **2.5 Does this project link to any previous or current IMPEL projects? (state which projects and how they are related)**

- Green IRI Romania 2014, Green IRI Italy 2016.
- Core team meeting Hunting Tourism 2016.
- Workshop/expert team meeting Sibiu 2015, Croatia 2016 and Netherlands/Flevoland 2017.
- Joint inspection in Slovenia 2017.

### **3. Structure of the proposed activity**

#### **3.1 Describe the activities of the proposal (what are you going to do and how?)**

##### **Hunting tourism follow up internet survey:**

- Preparing internet survey.
- Executing internet survey.
- Core team meeting to discuss about results.
- Dissemination report.

##### **Hunting tourism follow up questionnaire:**

- Analysis of the received questionnaires from competent authorities, Birdlife partners and FACE partners.
- Drafting and dissemination report.
- Core team meeting to discuss the results.
- Dissemination report.

##### **Joint inspection**

- Preparation of the joint inspection will take place after the core team meeting where the results of the internet survey and the questionnaire will be discussed.
- Based on the information of IMPEL-ESIX it will be made an inventory of the Member States that want to host the second joint inspection.

**3.2 Describe the products of the proposal (what are you going to produce in terms of output / outcome?)**

- Internet Survey and report.
- Draft Tors to adopt during the green expert team meeting.
- Report of results of the internet survey.

**3.3 Describe the milestones of this proposal (how will you know if you are on track to complete the work on time?)**

- Analyzing the results of the questionnaire: January/February 2019.
- Drafting report: February/March 2019.
- Core team meeting to discuss the results of report and discussion about the next steps and the preparation of the joint inspection on Hunting Tourism: April 2019.
- Joint inspection on Hunting Tourism: September 2019.

**3.4 Risks (what are the potential risks for this project and what actions will be put in place to mitigate these?)**

**4. Organisation of the work**

**4.1 Lead (who will lead the work: name, organisation and country) – this must be confirmed prior to submission of the TOR to the General Assembly)**

John Visbeen, Manager Expert Team on Nature Conservation, Netherlands.

**4.2 Project team (who will take part: name, organisation and country)**

Latvia.

**4.3 Other IMPEL participants (name, organisation and country)**

- Malta.
- France.

**4.4. Other non-IMPEL participants (name, organisation and country)**

- FACE.
- Birdlife.

**5. High level budget projection of the proposal. In case this is a multi-year project, identify future requirements as much as possible**

	Year 2019 (exact)	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
How much money do you require from IMPEL?	15,260 €			
How much money is to be co-financed?				
<b>Total budget</b>	15,260 €			

**6. Detailed other costs of the work for year 2019**

6.1 Are you using a consultant?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6.2 What are the total costs for the consultant?	PM euro.
6.3 Who is paying for the consultant?	IMPEL.
6.4 What will the consultant do?	Analyzing the results of the questionnaires that will be received from all Member States (and within each Member State will be received from Authorities, Birdlife Partners and FACE partners).
6.5 Are there any additional costs?	No.
6.6 What are the additional costs for?	N/a.
6.7 Who is paying for the additional costs?	N/a.
6.8 Are you seeking other funding sources?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Namely:

6.9 Do you need budget for communications around the project? If so, describe what type of activities and the related costs.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Namely:
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## 7. Communication and follow-up (checklist)

	What		By when
7.1 Indicate which communication materials will be developed throughout the project and when.  <i>(all to be sent to the Communications Officer at the IMPEL Secretariat)</i>	TOR <sup>✓*</sup> Interim report <sup>✓*</sup> Project report <sup>✓*</sup> Progress report(s) <sup>✓</sup> Press releases News items for the website <sup>✓*</sup> News items for the e-newsletter <sup>✓</sup> Project abstract <sup>✓*</sup> IMPEL at a Glance <sup>✓</sup> Other, (give details):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
7.2 Milestones / Scheduled meetings (for the website diary).	See 3.3.		
7.3 Images for the IMPEL image bank.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
7.4 Indicate which material s will be translated and into which languages.	N/a.		
7.5 Indicate if web-based tools will be developed and if hosting by IMPEL is required.			

<b>7.6 Identify which groups/institutions will be targeted and how.</b>	
<b>7.7 Identify parallel developments / events by other organisations, where the project can be promoted.</b>	

✓ ) Templates are available and should be used. \*) Obligatory

## 8. Remarks

*Is there anything else you would like to add to the Terms of Reference that has not been covered above?*

*In case of doubts or questions please contact the  
IMPEL Secretariat.*

*Draft and final versions need to be sent to the  
IMPEL Secretariat in word format, not in PDF.*

*Thank you.*