

Agenda Item 15.2

National Reporting

Revision to National Reporting Format

Document Inf.15.2.a

**Current National Reporting Format  
for ASCOBANS**

**Action Requested**

- Take note

Submitted by

Secretariat



**NOTE:  
DELEGATES ARE KINDLY REMINDED  
TO BRING THEIR OWN COPIES OF DOCUMENTS TO THE MEETING**



# 2014 ASCOBANS Annual National Reports

This questionnaire has been pre-filled with answers given in 2013 National Report - please update!

This format for the ASCOBANS Annual National Reports was endorsed by the 6th Meeting of the Parties in 2009. Reports are due to be submitted to the Secretariat by 31 March of each year.

Parties are requested to use this report to provide NEW information on measures taken or actions towards meeting the objectives of the Conservation and Management Plan and the Resolutions of the Meeting of the Parties.

The 7th Meeting of the Parties in 2012 agreed to move to online reporting with immediate effect. In order to benefit fully from the opportunities for synergies among CMS Family treaties afforded by this tool, Parties decided that a revised national report format be developed by a small working group assisted by the Secretariat for consideration by the Advisory Committee in preparation for the 8th Meeting of the Parties. While retaining the questions related only to ASCOBANS, it should align more closely to the format used in CMS, AEWa and EUROBATs.

## General Information

Name of Party

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Report prepared by

This should indicate the name and affiliation of the lead person for filling in the report.

Name	
Function	
Organization	
Address	
Telephone/Fax	
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Coordinating Authority and National Coordinator

Please confirm the Coordinating Authority responsible for the national implementation of the Agreement, and give the name and contact details of the officially appointed National Coordinator (Focal Point).

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List of National Institutions

List of national authorities, organizations, research centres and rescue centres active in the field of study and conservation of cetaceans, including contact details

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# Habitat Conservation and Management

## Fisheries Interactions

Direct Interaction with Fisheries

### 1.1 Investigations of methods to reduce bycatch

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### 1.2 Implementation of methods to reduce bycatch

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### 1.3 Other relevant information

Other relevant information, including bycatch information from opportunistic sources

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### 1.4 Report under EC Regulation 812/2004

Please provide the link to your country's report under EC Regulation 812/2004.

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## Reduction of Disturbance

### 2.1 Anthropogenic Noise

Please reference and briefly summarise any studies undertaken

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## 2.4 Pollution and Hazardous Substances

Please report on main types of pollution and hazardous substances (including source, location and observed effects on cetaceans). Please provide information on any new measures taken to reduce pollution likely to have an impact.

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## 2.5 Other Forms of Disturbance

Please provide any other relevant information, e.g. relating to recreational activities affecting cetaceans.

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## **Marine Protected Areas**

Marine Protected Areas for Small Cetaceans

### 3.1 Relevant Information

Please provide any relevant information on measures taken to identify, implement and manage protected areas for cetaceans, including MPAs designated under the Habitats Directive and MPAs planned or established within the framework of OSPAR or HELCOM.

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### 3.2 GIS Data

Please indicate where GIS data of the boundaries (and zoning, if applicable) can be obtained (contact email / website).

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# Surveys and Research

## 4.1 Abundance, Distribution, Population Structure

Overview of Research on Abundance, Distribution and Population Structure

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## 4.2 Technological Developments

New Technological Developments

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# Use of Bycatches and Strandings

## Post-Mortem Research Schemes

### 5.1 Contact Details

Contact details of research institutions and focal point

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### 5.2 Methodology

Methodology used (reference, e.g. publication, protocol)

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### 5.3 Samples

Collection of samples (type, preservation method)

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### 5.4 Database

Database (number of data sets by species, years covered, software used, online access)

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### 5.5 Additional Information

Additional information (e.g. website addresses, intellectual property rights, possibility of a central database)

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## Activities and Results

### 5.6 Necropsies

Number of necropsies carried out in the reporting period

	Recorded cause of death	Number
Phocoena phocoena		

Tursiops truncatus		
Delphinus delphis		
Stenella coeruleoalba		
Grampus griseus		
Globicephala melas		
Globicephala macrorhynchus		
Lagenorhynchus albirostris		
Lagenorhynchus acutus		
Orcinus orca		
Hyperoodon ampullatus		
Mesoplodon bidens		
Kogia breviceps		
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### 5.7 Other Relevant Information

Please provide any other relevant information on post-mortem / stranding schemes

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## Relevant New Legislation, Regulations and Guidelines

### 6.1 New Legislation, Regulations and Guidelines

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## Public Awareness and Education

### 7.1 Public Awareness and Education

Please report on any public awareness and education activities to implement or promote the Agreement to the general public and to fishermen.

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## **Possible difficulties encountered in implementing the Agreement**

Difficulties in Implementing the Agreement

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