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The preparation of the QSR2016 and the State of Conservation Report 2016 was discussed by the TG-WH, TG-MM and the QSR Editorial Board.
Based upon these discussions, TG-WH and TG-MM have prepared a proposal for the procedure and responsibilities for the production and contents of the QSR and the SoC. See also the TG-WH and TG-MM reports.

Proposal: **The meeting is invited to adopt the proposals contained in the document**

QSR and SoC 2016

Below, proposals by TG-MM and TG-WH are listed for the production and contents of the QSR Thematic Reports, the QSR Synthesis Report and the World Heritage State of Conservation Report.

QSR Thematic Reports

Both the QSR Synthesis Report and the SoC will be based upon the QSR Thematic Reports for which currently authors are being selected. A list of envisaged thematic reports, authors and co-authors is in Annex 1.

Production of the thematic reports

TG-MM is responsible for the overall supervision of the production of the Thematic Reports. The QSR Editorial Board is responsible for the coordination of the production, as well as the selection of lead authors and co-authors.

Contents of the Thematic Reports

The lead authors and co-authors are responsible for the contents of the Thematic Reports. The Editorial Board is responsible for the quality control and coherence of the Thematic Reports.

OUV assessment

The Thematic Reports contain an analysis of the status of the respective Ecotargets. In addition to the Target analysis, an assessment according to the UNESCO OUV criteria is needed, as a basis for the SoC report.

The OUV assessment will be carried out as one overall assessment by the CWSS under the responsibility of the QSR Editorial Board. This has the advantage that one coherent methodology is applied.

QSR Synthesis Report

The QSR Synthesis is an integrated analysis of the contents of the Thematic Chapters. The QSR Synthesis will be prepared by (part of) the QSR Editorial Board, which is also responsible for the contents.

SoC Report

The SoC Report is prepared by the CWSS under the responsibility of the Task Group World Heritage. The OUV analysis, prepared by the QSR Editorial Board, will be an important input to the SoC report. Both TG-WH and TG-MM will be responsible for the contents of the final draft SoC Report that is submitted to the WSB for final approval.

Time schedule

The time schedule for the preparation of the Thematic Reports, the Synthesis Report and the SoC Report is in Annex 2.

Thematic Chapters and potential lead and co-authorships

ANNEX I

#	Thematic Chapter	Lead author	Co-Author
1	Introduction (Protection / Management)	CWSS	
2	Landscape and Culture	NL: Schroor	WSF, Jöns, Ratter
3	Coastal Defense	TG-C	Wurpts
4	Harbors & Shipping	DK?, Consultant	WSF? RWS, von Bargaen
5	Fisheries	DE: Nehls / Bioconsult	IMARES, Haslob
6	Tourism	TG-STs	DK, Schmoll, Wemken
7	Military activities	CWSS	
8	Energy: Oil, gas, wind energy	?Consultant	RWS: J. Bakker, Machetanz, Ahrens
9	Extraction / Dredging	DE: Nehls	RWS: Mulder, Wurpts, de Vries
10	Marine Litter	DE: Gutow	Fach AG, Fleet, van Franeker, RWS van Loon, Oosterbaan, Schupp, Dau, Gerdts
11	Climate change	NL: Oost	TG-C; Meinke
12	Climate - ecosystems	NL: Philippart/Folmer?	
13	Heavy metal, xenobiotics	NL: Bakker	Lüerßen, Knaack, Kolbe
14	Contaminants in bird Eggs	DE: Becker	Schupp, J. Bakker
15	Oil pollution and seabirds	DE: Fleet	Camphuysen, Heckroth, Fitz
16	Eutrophication	DE: Beusekom	RWS: Ruiter, Bellert, Grage
17	Alien Species	DE: Buschbaum	RWS: Kabuta, WG Alien Species, Jensen, Wehrmann, Rhode, Isermann
18	Salt Marshes	NL: van Duin	Salt Marshes & Dunes EG (Esselink, Kers), Ahrens
19	Geomorphology	NL: RWS / Oost	Wurpts
20	Macrozoobenthos	NL: Drent	Kröncke, Schückel, Scheiffarth, Herlyn, Grotjahn, IMARES
21	Beds of blue mussels and Pacific oysters	NL: Folmer	Schückel, Troost, Millat, Büttger, Wehrmann
22	Seagrass	DE: Dolch	Folmer, Kolbe, Adolph
23	Subtidal habitats	DE: Vorberg	WIMO, Troost, Schroeder, Bartholomä, Millat, Grotjahn, Mascioli
24	Fish	DK: Jepsen	Tulp, Expert Group (to be installed), Scholle, Haslob, Mosch, Brandt, Dänhardt
25	Beaches and Dunes	NL: Lammerts	de Groot, Salt Marshes & Dunes Expert Group, Isermann
26	Estuaries	DE: Schuchardt / Scholle	
27	Breeding Birds	NL: Koffijberg	JMBB, Knipping, Corman
28	Migratory Birds/Flyway	DE: Blew	JMMB, WSFI, SOVON, Südbeck, Exo
29	Marine Mammals	DK: Jensen	TSEG, van den Bosch

ANNEX II

The time schedule for the preparation of the Thematic Reports, the Synthesis Report and the SoC Report

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