



Quarterly Report Project Management LIFE+12-BIO_AT_000143 – 2014-01

Dear Steering Committee members, dear FV-WT board members, dear colleagues,

this is my first quarterly report as the leader of the Project Management Team LIFE+12-BIO_AT_000143. From now on, I will send a report to the Steering Committee members and the FV-WT board members four times a year.

1. Start of the LIFE+ project

On January 1st 2014 the project has been started.

2. Project Management Team (PMT)

Based on the assignment the project management team was put together:



(1) Gönner Bernhard (bgoenner@waldrapp.eu) project management, logistics (employed by WT,~30 hrs/week) (2) Trobe Daniela (dtrobe@waldrapp.eu) field management (employed by WT.~30hrs/week) (3) Eberhard Barbara (beberhard@waldrapp.eu) project assistance (employed by WT,~20hrs/week) (4) Esterer Corinna (cesterer@waldrapp.eu) project assistance, foster parent (employed by WT) (5) Schmalstieg Anne Gabriele (aschmalstieg@waldrapp.eu) foster parent (employed by WT) (6) Sperger Christian (csperger@waldrapp.eu) GPS data management and technician (employed by WT) (7) Unsöld Markus (munsoeld@waldrapp.eu) project advisor (working contract WT) (8) Schroll Michael (mschroll@waldrapp.eu) project advisor (working contract WT) (9) Johannes Fritz (jfritz@waldrapp.eu) general project manager;

The majority of the people worked already for the project in the past. Therefore, they guarantee an efficient start off for the LIFE project.

3. Monitor Meeting & Partnership Agreements

Feb. 19/20, the first meeting with our EC monitor Dr. Felix Bergmann took place at Zoo Vienna. We will meet with the monitor once a year to control and support the implementation and the administration and of the project. The first meeting was mainly due to organizational topics.

During February/March the agreements between the Coordinating Beneficiary and each of the seven Associated Beneficiaries were defined. Most of the agreements are already signed.

4. AB Tiergarten Schönbrunn (TGS) - handraising



TGS will be the first location where major milestones will be implemented.

End of April 2014 the first hand raising in the course of the project will start up. The preparations are quite on the way. TGS ordered a hand-raising container where up to two bird groups can be placed and raised. As in the past, the hand raising will be presented to the public.





5. Location Salzburg/AUT



The change of the Associated Beneficiary from Zoo Salzburg to the land Salzburg is finalized, we just wait for the formal termination by signing. The resulting amendment to the European Commission is in preparation.

The location for the breeding colony is fixed, it will be at 'Georgenberg' near the village Kuchl. Due to the evaluation of potential breeding areas this is the best possible choice. The breeding facility at Georgenberg is finalized and a group of fice breeding birds are there.

6. Location Burghausen/GER



Meanwhile we got all permits to establish an NBI breeding colony at the historical castle of Burghausen. The so called 'Wehrmauer' seems us perfectly suitable for that need. The wooden breeding cliffs to be installed at the wall are already in construction.

The transfer of the breeding colony to the new location should take place in 2015. Meanwhile the breeding camp outside the city is prepared and first migrations did arrive there for breeding.

7. Location Überlingen/GER

We decided to choose the well evaluated Überlingen at Lake Bodensee as the third breeding area (beside BGH und SBG). The approval by the relevant authorities is ongoing. Main local partners are the city of Überlingen, Vogelwarte Radolfzell and the Max Planck Institute for Ornithology (namely Prof. Wikelski and erem.Prof. Berthold).

8. Announcement – Reason for Hope (RfH) Event at TGS

From May 2nd to May 4th the first Reason for Hope event will take place. TGS will be the first host (during the LIFE period RfH events will take place at all partners locations). Attached I send a program for this event.

9. Announcement - First Steering Committee Meeting

On May 3rd in the afternoon the first annual meeting of the Steering Committee (SC) will take place at TGS, in the context of the RfH event.

The statutes of the SC and detailed information are attached.

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