



AEWA LESSER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE INTERNATIONAL WORKING GROUP



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3rd Meeting of the AEWA Lesser White-fronted Goose International Working Group

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Funding of Working Group activities

Introduction

The overall coordination of the implementation of the International Single Species Action Plan for the Lesser White-fronted Goose continues to be situated at the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat and to be facilitated in particular by the Coordinator for the Lesser White-fronted Goose. Following the decision of the Working Group at its first meeting in 2010, the post of the Coordinator as well as all other expenses linked to the activities of the Working Group continue to be funded through voluntary contributions, made available in particular by the Norwegian Environment Agency, the Finnish Ministry of Environment and the EU LIFE+ project "Safeguarding the Lesser White-fronted Goose along its European flyway" (LIFE10 NAT/GR/000638). The monthly office expenses including equipment are covered by the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat.

An overview of Working Group expenditures during the past inter-sessional period (2013-2016) as well as a projection of the needs for the coming inter-sessional period (2016-2019) is presented below.

It should be noted that this budget overview does not include the estimated cost for project activities. These will be included in the costed workplan to be adopted for the next inter-sessional period (DRAFT Doc. LWfG IWG 3.6).

Action requested from the Working Group

The Working Group is again invited to discuss if there is a need/wish to establish a budget for the running costs of facilitating the work of the Group or if the costs arising should continue to be covered on an ad hoc basis with funding from voluntary contributions made by the range states or via various project budgets as has been the case so far.



The 3rd Meeting of the AEWA Lesser White-fronted Goose International Working Group is being hosted by the Norwegian Environment Agency with additional funding provided by the EU LIFE+ project "Safeguarding the Lesser White-fronted Goose along its European Flyway" [LIFE10 NAT/GR/000638].

Annex I. Expenditure Overview (inter-sessional period January 2013- April 2016)

Full-time Coordinator for the Lesser White-fronted Goose	
Coordinator salary	334.560€*
Office (equipment, telephone/mobile phone, fax, stationary, mailings etc.)	4.000€
Total:	338.560€
3 rd Meeting of the Working Group	
Travel, accommodation, DSA, visa costs of meeting participants, field trip etc.	(ca.) 45.000€
Grand total:	383.560€

Annex II. Estimate of Upcoming Expenses (inter-sessional period May 2016- December 2019)

Full-time Coordinator for the Lesser White-fronted Goose	
Coordinator salary	450.000€* ⁱ
Office (equipment, telephone/mobile phone, fax, stationary, mailings etc.)	4.000€ ⁱⁱ
Total:	454.000€
4 th Meeting of the Working Group	
Travel, accommodation, DSA, visa costs of meeting participants, field trip etc.	50.000€
Total:	50.000€
Additional expenses	
Costs of updating SSAP; including printing, translation and distribution (if applicable)	5.000€
Workspace and website maintenance	3.000€
Total:	8.000€
Grand total:	512.000€*

*Including 13% UNEP overhead.

ⁱ Coordinator salary covered until the end of 2017 with a voluntary contribution provided by the Norwegian Environment Agency.

ⁱⁱ Office expenses will continue be covered by the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat.