Scoreboard on Timeliness and Data Conformity of the Member States' Article 12 and Article 17 Reports

This note proposes two scoreboards for the Article 12 and Article 17 reporting covering the timeliness of the report delivery and the data conformity of the reports. The latter is proposed to be divided into three indicators evaluating the proportion of 'unknown' overall assessments of conservation status, proportion of 'missing obligatory information', and proportion of information reported as 'absent' and 'unknown'. The scoreboard includes two tables: one for timeliness and another for data conformity.

Timeliness of the report delivery

Member State	Delivery date			
mombor otato	1 st deli	ivery	2 nd del	ivery
MS 1	dd.mm.yyyy	9	dd.mm.yyyy	<u> </u>
MS 2	[]	<u></u>	[]	9
MS 3	[]	(2)	[]	a
[]	[]	[]	[]	[]

MS ranking by timeliness

Data conformity

Member State	Unknown overall conclusion (only Article 17)	Missing obligatory information	Absent and unknown information
MS 1 (xx % marine) ¹	e	<u></u>	e
MS 2	<u></u>	a	
MS 3	2	(2)	<u></u>
[]	[]	[]	[]

MS ranking by alphabetic order

¹ Percentage of reports for marine features (habitats and species).

Proposed criteria for timeliness and data conformity

Timeliness of the report delivery

Article 17 reports (1st delivery) are expected by 30 June 2013 and Article 12 reports (1st delivery) by 31 December 2013. Once the EEA and ETC/BD have performed the Quality Analysis and Quality Control (QA/QC) on the data, feedback will be posted to Member State envelopes. If relevant, Member States should respond within 6 weeks and submit corrected reports (2nd delivery).

Any Article 17 reports delivered after 31 December 2013 and the Article 12 reports delivered after 31 March 2014 will not be accepted for biogeographical or European analysis. These two cut-off dates represent limits of the process of delivering Member States' data.

Thresholds for the evaluation of timeliness of the 1st delivery

Category	Criteria
	1 st delivery submitted by the deadline ²
<u> </u>	1 st delivery delayed by less than 1 month
	1 st delivery delayed by more than 1 month

Thresholds for the evaluation of timeliness of the 2nd delivery

Category	Criteria
a	2 nd delivery submitted by the deadline (i.e. 6 weeks after the feedback)
(4)	2 nd delivery submitted after deadline, but before the cut-off date
	2 nd delivery submitted after the cut off-date (or 2 nd delivery not submitted)

Reports of features with the following characteristics will not be used in the scoreboard:

- Marginal habitats and species
- Occasional and newly arriving species
- Species extinct before the Habitats Directive came into force, and bird species that went extinct nationally prior to 1980
- Introduced species or non-native bird species (with an exception of three species included on the Annex II of the Birds directive)
- Reports that give only an information about species name (e.g. species with scientific reserve) but without proper evaluation of the CS.

² Since 30 of June 2013 is a Sunday we will consider 1 July as the effective deadline

Data conformity

The final evaluation of data conformity will be based on the 2^{nd} delivery of national Article 12 and Article 17 reports. However, the initial scoreboard will be based on the data conformity of the 1^{st} delivery.

This part of the scoreboard includes three indicators:

- 1. Unknown overall conclusions (only for the Article 17 reporting)
- 2. Missing obligatory information
- 3. Information reported as 'Absent' and 'Unknown'

1. Unknown overall conclusions (only Article 17)

Percentage of overall conclusions on conservation status reported as 'unknown'.

Category	Thresholds
	< 10 %
=	10 – 25 %
a	> 25 %

The assessment of overall conservation status for habitats and species is based on information provided for trends, parameters and reference values in the habitats/species reports. The following data conformity indicator should provide a link between unknown and absent information and unknown conclusions of conservation status.

This indicator is based on the following obligatory fields from the reporting formats.

Article 17 habitat report:

Article 17 species report:

2.8.5. Overall assessment of Conservation Status

2.9.5. Overall assessment of Conservation Status

2. Missing obligatory information

This indicator measures the percentage of obligatory fields that are empty i.e. none of the expected data is provided; this percentage excludes fields reported as 'absent data' or 'unknown' (which are object of the third indicator of data conformity).

Percentage of mandatory fields with missing information.

Category	Thresholds
•	< 2 %
=	2 - 5 %
e	> 5 %

The indicator is based on the obligatory fields which are listed in the annex to this note.

3. Information reported as 'Absent' and 'Unknown'

Percentage of mandatory fields reported as 'unknown' or 'absent data'

Category	Thresholds
@	< 10 %
<u>-</u>	10 – 25 %
	> 25 %

This indicator of conformity of the Member State reports should mainly focus on gaps in reported information. The evaluation should reflect the proportion of mandatory information reported as **unknown** or **absent** in <u>key fields</u>. The fields 'Method used' of the reporting formats includes an option to report 'absent data'. Member States reporting on marine features may show a 'worse' classification given the relatively high proportion of 'unknown' data for the marine environment.

This indicator is based on the obligatory fields which are listed in the annex to this note.

Annex List of obligatory fields from the Art.17 and Art.12 reporting formats

Different fields are used for each indicator. They are identified with different colors in the field "Field code".

	Field used both for the calculation of "Missing obligatory information" and "Absent & Unknown information"	
	Field used for the calculation of "Missing obligatory information" only	
	Field used for the calculation of "Absent and Unknown information" only	

Article 17

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Species		
Field code	Field name	
1.1.1	Distribution map	
1.1.2	Method used map	
1.1.5	Range map	
2.3.1	Surface area Range (in km²)	
2.3.2	Method used surface area of range	
2.3.4	Short term trend Trend direction	
2.3.9a	Favourable reference range - km ²	
2.3.9b	Favourable reference range - operators	
2.3.9c	Favourable reference range - unknown	
2.4.1a	Population size estimation - unit	
2.4.1b	Population size estimation - min	
2.4.1c	Population size estimation - max	
2.4.2a	Population size estimation other than indiv unit	
2.4.2b	Population size estimation other than indiv min	
2.4.2c	Population size estimation other than indiv max	
2.4.5	Method used Population size	
2.4.7	Short-term trend Trend direction	
2.4.9	Short-term trend Method used	
2.4.14a	Favourable reference population individuals	
2.4.14b	Favourable reference population operators used	
2.4.14c	Favourable reference population unknown	
2.5.1	Habitat for species Area estimation (km²)	
2.5.3	Method used Habitat for species	
2.5.6	Short-term trend Trend direction	
2.5.9a	Area of suitable habitat for species - km²	
2.5.9b	absense of data	
2.6a	Pressure	
2.7a	Threat	
2.9.1a	Conclusions - Range	
2.9.2a	Conclusions - Population	
2.9.3a	Conclusions - Habitat for the species	
2.9.4a	Conclusions - Future prospects	
2.9.5	Overall assessment of CS	
2.9.6	Overall trend in CS	
3.1.1a	Natura 2000 Population size - unit	
3.1.1b	Natura 2000 Population size - min	
3.1.1c	Natura 2000 Population size - max	
3.1.2	Natura 2000 Population size - Method used	
3.2.1	Conservation Measure	

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Field code	Field name
2.2a	Population size - unit
2.2b	Population size - minimum size
2.2c	Population size - maximum size
2.4	Method used - population
3.1.2	Short-term trend, direction
3.1.3a	Short-term trend, magnitude - min
3.1.3b	Short-term trend, magnitude - max
3.1.4	Method used - population trend
3.2.2	Long-term trend, direction
3.2.3a	Long-term trend, magnitude - min
3.2.3b	Long-term trend, magnitude - max
3.2.4	Method used - population trend long
4.3	Distribution map
4.5	Range map
4.6	Range surface area
4.7	Method used - range
5.1.2	Short-term trend, direction
5.1.3a	Short-term trend, magnitude - min
5.1.3b	Short-term trend, magnitude - max
5.1.4	Method used - range trend
5.2.2	Long-term trend, direction
5.2.3a	Long-term trend, magnitude - min
5.2.3b	Long-term trend, magnitude - max
5.2.4	Method used - range trend long
7a	Pressure/threat
8.1.1a	Population size in the SPA network - unit
8.1.1b	Population size in the SPA network - min
8.1.1c	Population size in the SPA network - max
8.1.2	Method used - SPA population
8.2.1	Measure