

## 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Advisory Committee

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### Report of IWG on Monitoring and Indicators

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The IWG was established to 1. Develop, and periodically update, a pan-European population indicator based on existing data (through BatLife Europe); 2. Building capacity for monitoring in countries which did not have national monitoring schemes; 3. Developing a data sharing structure for monitoring data.

The following activities have been done since the last AC meeting:

Aim 1: BatLife Europe has approach those NGO's involved in the development of the prototype indicator and several other NGO's that expressed an interest in joining a next version, to create an updated European hibernacula indicator. The planning is to gather national trends in 2016, and develop the new indicator during a workshop in spring 2017.

Aim 2: through BatLife Europe the IWG will seek financial, logistic and scientific support for those countries/national NGOs that:

- a) are monitoring but want support for the storage and analysis of their data,
- b) need such support for setting up monitoring schemes. This will be done through regional workshops.

Aim 3: no progress was made on aim 3.

At the AC, we will discuss details, review potential partners in the new indicator, survey needs on aims 1 and 2 and discuss planning of aim 3.