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Report of the EPI Project  
Assessment Working Group  
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Twelve projects have been submitted in 2013, 3 at the first call (end of May) and 9 at the second call (end of November). A list of these projects and some major information are annexed.

These projects were assessed by the members of the Working Group according to three criteria:

Contribution to EUROBATS objectives;

Transboundary character;

Impact of expected outcomes;

Each project subsequently receives a global assessment on the basis of equally balanced criteria and is ranked.

The Working Group is sensitive to efforts of applicants to fulfil the format that can be downloaded from the EUROBATS website as it greatly helps to find the most relevant information and mainly the information relative to the criteria listed above.

At last, we acknowledge the funded applicants to submit a summary of their report which could be added to the next report of the Working Group.

<b>EPI Applications 2013</b>						
<b>Project title</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Project region</b>	<b>Project period</b>	<b>Total costs in €</b>	<b>EPI costs in €</b>
Capacity Building on Bat Conservation in Albania	Philippe Théou	Association for Protection and Preservation of Natural Environment in Albania (PPNEA)	South-west Balkans	February 2014 - October 2014	25,375 €	8,775 €
Capacity building for bat species monitoring in Northwest Africa (Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco, Tunisia)	Prof. Zihad Bouslama	Université Badj Mokhtar - Annaba	Northwest Africa	2013 - 2014	14,705 €	9,795 €
Distribution and habitat use of forest dwelling bats in the Belovezhskaya Pushcha National Park (Belarus)	Dr. Markus Dietz	Frankfurt Zoological Society (ZGF)	Belovezhskaya Pushcha National Park (Belarus)	Summer 2014 - December 2015	36,000 €	10,000 €
Bats of Belarus: distribution, protection and input in a new edition of National Red Data Book	Dr. Valery Dombrovski	State Scientific and Production Amalgamation "The scientific and practical center for bioresources"	Belarus	March 2014 - December 2014	9,792 €	9,792 €
Let's all be Bat-men !	Elena Stoeva	Green Balkans - Stara Zagora NGO	Southern Bulgaria	2013 - 2014	11,200	10,000
Developing monitoring programmes and analysing trends in bats populations in the Dinarics -capacity building workshop	Daniela Hamidovic	Croatian Biospeleological Society	Croatia	Sept 2014	41,566 €	8,120 €
Investigating roost preferences, feeding areas and commuting routes in Savi's pipistrelle ( <i>Hypsugo savii</i> ) / Croatia, Czech Republic	Marina Kipson	Department of zoology, Faculty of Science, Charles University in Prague	North Dalmatia	April 2014 - April 2015	10,600 €	9,840 €
Developing and testing of a novel pre-construction survey method for assessing the risk for bats at proposed wind energy facilities	Dr. Peter Stahlschmidt	Institute for Environmental Sciences, University Koblenz-Landau	Rhineland Palatinate	April 2014 - October 2014	23,800 €	9,800 €
<i>Plecotus sardus</i> on Sardinia – from knowledge to conservation	Dr. Andreas Kiefer	Trier University	Italy	May 2013 - August 2017	31,839 €	9,589 €
Bat Calls Library: design of a web application to share reference bat calls	Martina Spada	Insubria University	Italy / Spain	April 2014 - December 2014	8,000 €	6,000 €
Production of the documentary "Bats and Humans"	Carles Flaquer	Museu de Ciències Naturals de Granollers	Spain	June 2013 - July 2015	41,000 €	7,000 €
Trans-border collaboration in bat migration research in Eastern Europe and the Black Sea region. The pilot project.	Kseniia Kravchenko & Dr. Christian C. Voigt	Interdepartmental research laboratory "Study of biodiversity and development of nature reserve management"	Ukraine, Russia, Georgia, Turkey	2014 (June) - 2015 (May)	17,777 €	4,970 €