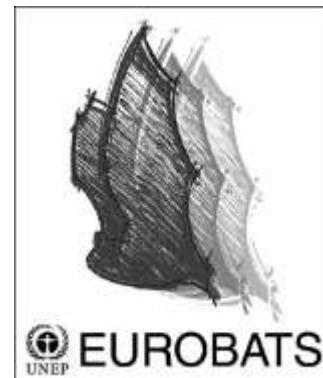


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Purpose-built Man Made Roosts



The Meeting of Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of Populations of European Bats (hereafter "the Agreement");

Referring to the commitments by the Parties to the conservation of bats in accordance with the Agreement, especially the fundamental obligations placed upon Parties in Article III;

Recalling Resolution No. 4.9, Element 3 (a) on the protection of roost sites other than underground sites;

Recalling Resolution 5.7 on Guidelines for the Protection of Overground Roosts, which recommends to ensure that overground roosts are managed in accordance with national nature conservation legislation and taking note of any guidelines adopted by the EUROBATS Agreement;

Recalling Resolution 7.13 Implementation of the Conservation and Management Plan (2015 - 2018) that instructs the AC to develop the good practice guidance on Man-made Purpose Built Bat Roosts

Noting that the loss of suitable roosting sites is one of the causes of declines in bat populations across Europe

Acknowledging the potential value of purpose build bat roosts for bat conservation;

1. Endorses the provision of Man-made Purpose Built Bat Roosts where roosting sites in buildings are lost due to demolition or renovation;
2. Strongly encourages Parties and Range States to consider examples provided by the Guidance whenever new roosting structures are planned or existing ones are renovated;
3. Urges Parties and encourages non-Party Range States to monitor existing purpose Built Bat Roosts and promote further studies on their efficiency

Requests the Advisory Committee to:

1. Keep the Guidance document updated and available for public;
2. Continue to collate relevant information