

EAZA Update on Ukrainian Zoos

Amsterdam, 30 March 2022: The situation for Ukrainian zoos continues to be extremely challenging. At the time of writing, EAZA is still in good contact with our Candidate for Membership institutions, and with other zoos via the Ukrainian Zoo Association.

As of today, 30 March, the EAZA Ukraine Zoos Emergency Fund has raised € 920.339, thanks to the extraordinary support of more than 7,000 individual and 50 institutional donors – <u>acknowledged here</u>! We are at a loss of words... Thank you! As described in the <u>Funding Protocols</u>, this will provide immediate and long-term assistance to our colleagues in Ukraine.

As part of the Primary crisis phase, funds have already been sent to Ukrainian zoos to meet the costs of local resupply of food and veterinary items, as well as for fuel and transport when needs can't be met locally and require logistics to reach the zoos.

The following have received direct financial assistance: Askania Nova, Berdyansk, Feldman Ecopark, Kharkiv, Kyiv, Lutsk, Mykolaiv, Odesa Biopark and Rivne Zoos.

Additionally, we are aware that colleagues at Panda Foundation of Warsaw, Łódź Zoo, Berlin Zoo and Tierpark, Prague, Wrocław, Košice, Gdansk, Tallinn Zoos and other EAZA Members have also arranged trucks that delivered supplies to, at least: XII months, Cherkasy, Feldman Ecopark, Kharkiv, Limpopo, Lutsk, Mykolaiv, Odesa Biopark, Rivne, Vinnytsia zoos.

We are coordinating future efforts so that monies from the Fund can support more future deliveries of supplies. We continue to be in touch with zoos who are able to request additional funds as needed.

The situation is rapidly evolving, and we aim to provide up-to-date information via Member mailings, on our website and social media channels on a regular basis.