



**EAZA CONSERVATION
FORUM 2018**
22 – 25 May, Tallinn
Estonia



TUESDAY 22 MAY

18.00 – 21.00

Icebreaker, Tallinn Zoo
Registration

WEDNESDAY 23 MAY
Tallinn Zoo, Educational Center

08.15 – 08.45	Welcome coffee & tea
08.45 – 10.20	OPENING Tiit Maran Director Tallinn Zoo (Estonia) Bryan Carroll Director Bristol Zoo Gardens (UK) and chair of the EAZA Conservation Committee Myfanwy Griffith Executive director European Association of Zoos and Aquaria (Netherlands) OPENING KEYNOTE – COMBATting UNSUSTAINABLE AND ILLEGAL WILDLIFE TRADE Jorge Rodriguez Romero CITES and EU Wildlife Trade policy, Directorate General for the Environment, European Commission
10.20 – 10.50	Coffee & tea break
10.50 – 12.00	MINI-SEMINAR WILDLIFE TRADE & DISCUSSION– TITLE TO BE FINALISED Facilitator Carl Traeholt Southeast Asia Programme Director Copenhagen Zoo (Denmark) <i>Confirmed guest speakers so far</i> Sam Ferreira South African Parks (SanParks) working with the economics of poaching in Africa Brendan Moyle Professor at Massey University (New Zealand); the economy of illegal wildlife trade in China and Asia Pelham Jones Chairman for the Private Rhino Owners Association (PROA) (South Africa) Rosie Cooney United Nations Secretary-General Science Advisory Board and Chair of the IUCN Sustainable Use and Livelihood Specialist Group (Australia)
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch
13.00 – 14.25	Continued: MINI-SEMINAR WILDLIFE TRADE & DISCUSSION– TITLE TO BE FINALISED Facilitator Carl Traeholt Southeast Asia Programme Director Copenhagen Zoo (Denmark)
14.25 – 14.55	Coffee & tea break
14.55 – 16.10	CASE STORIES WILDLIFE TRADE Eric Bairrão Ruivo ZooParc de Beauval (France) and EAZA Conservation Committee member The EAZA Conservation Campaign: Silent Forest - Progress and Aims Simon Brusland Heidelberg Zoo (Germany) Wildlife trade for zoo and collectors, a new threat for Iranian local and native species Iman Memarian Tehran Zoo and Pardisan Wildlife Rehabilitation Center (Iran) Conserving Owston's Civet - Indochina's most threatened carnivore Daniel Willcox Save Vietnam's Wildlife (Vietnam) Project Anoulak: Biodiversity conservation in the Annamite Mountains of Laos Camille Coudrat Project Anoulak (Lao People's Democratic Republic)
16.10 – 16.25	Short coffee & tea break

16.25 – 17.30

CONSERVATION MOVIES

Securing livelihoods, saving snow leopards: Snow Leopard Trust's Livestock Insurance Program | Matt Fiechter | Snow Leopard Trust

Engaging the world's zoos to save the Saola (*Pseudoryx nghetinhensis*) | Bill Robichaud | IUCN SSC Saola Working Group

2017: Year of the Golden Lion Tamarin | James Dietz | Save the Golden Lion Tamarin

19.00 – 21.00

SOCIAL PROGRAMME: WALKING TOUR OF TALLINN CITY

THURSDAY 24 MAY
Tallinn Zoo, Educational Center

- 08.15 – 08.45** Welcome coffee & tea
- 08.45 – 11.00** **CONSERVATION EFFORTS IN THE BALTIC REGION** | Session Chair Tiit Maran | Tallinn Zoo (Estonia)
KEYNOTE: Halting the decline of amphibians at their northern range edge – a challenge for nature conservation
Riinu Rannap | Research fellow in conservation biology, University of Tartu (Estonia)
Bringing back rare Lithuanian species: European pond turtle and Hermit beetle | Dalia Bastytė | Lithuanian Fund for Nature (Lithuania)
Population trends and abundance of Baltic seal species: indicator- based approach of protection and management of populations | Ivar Jüssi | ProMare (Estonia)
Conservation and management of large carnivores in Estonia | Peep Männil | Estonian Environment Agency (Estonia)
- 11.00 – 11.30** Coffee & tea break
- 11.30 – 12.30** **FRESHWATER CONSERVATION** | Session chair Brian Zimmerman | Zoological Society of London (UK) and EAZA Conservation Committee member
KEYNOTE: TITLE TO BE FINALISED
Jorg Freyhof | Coordinator IUCN SSC Freshwater Fish Red List Authority | Chair for North Africa, Europe and the Middle East IUCN SSC/WI Freshwater Fish Specialist Group
- 12.30 – 13.30** Lunch
- 13.30 – 14.45** **Continued: FRESHWATER CONSERVATION** | Session chair Brian Zimmerman | Zoological Society of London (UK) and EAZA Conservation Committee member
The lake sturgeon as a bioindicator of environmental health | Jeff Wyatt | Seneca Park Zoo (US)
Working Together - a new fund for freshwater fish | Gemma Goodman | Synchronicity Earth (UK)
Fish – Net Greece: saving the Corfu killifish | Elini Kalogianni | Hellenic Centre for Marine Research - Institute of Marine Biological Resources and Inland Waters (Greece)
- 14.45 – 16.00** **CONNECTING TO CONSERVATION** | Session chair Sarah Thomas | Zoological Society London and EAZA Conservation Committee member
Conservation through action & education: "Touch the heart" | Wilton Nsimango | Painted Dog Conservation (Zimbabwe)
Connecting conservation with community development by introducing innovative models in Armenia | Ruben Khachatryan | Foundation for the Preservation of Wildlife and Cultural Assets (Armenia)
Mitigating threats to the Critically Endangered Javan slow loris by outreach and education | Anna Nekaris | Little Fireface Project (UK)
Save our Scavengers: a community engagement approach to protect Botswana's vultures | Erin Stotz | Denver Zoological Foundation (US)
- 16.00 – 16.15** Coffee & tea break
- 16.15 – 18.00** **TALLINN ZOO VISIT** (Tours available)
- 17.15 – 18.45** Conservation Forum **POSTER SESSION** (Meet & Greet poster authors 17.30 – 18.15) / Conservation Forum **MARKETPLACE**

FRIDAY 25 MAY
Tallinn Zoo, Educational Center

08.15 – 08.45 Welcome coffee & tea

08.45 – 10.30 **CONSERVATION REINTRODUCTIONS** | Session chair Tania Gilbert | Marwell Wildlife and EAZA Reintroduction and Translocation Working Group

Ape reintroductions to natural habitats: addressing misconceptions through methodology development and technical advisory resources | Julie Sherman | Wildlife Impact (UK)

The Human Dimensions: The importance of anthropology in reintroduction programmes | Sian Waters | Department of Anthropology, Durham University (UK)

Bringing beavers back to Scotland - the next steps | Ben Harrower | Royal Zoological Society of Scotland (UK)

A bridge for the Ural owl: Connecting populations for a better survival | Wiebke Hoffmann | Vienna Zoo (Austria)

Comeback of the European bison in the Southern Carpathians, Romania | Druga Mariana | WWF Romania (Romania)

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee & tea break

11.00 – 12.30 **DISCUSSION REWILDING** | Facilitator Andrew Terry | Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust (UK) and EAZA Conservation Committee member

KEYNOTE: TITLE TO BE FINALISED

Paul Jepson | Member supervisory board Rewilding Europe (UK)

12.30 – 13.15 Lunch (*please note 45 minutes*)

13.15 – 14.20 **INVESTING IN CONSERVATION - EU Funding opportunities** | Radosław Ratajszczak | Wrocław Zoo (Poland) and EAZA Conservation Committee member

LIFE Programme - EU's financial instrument supporting environmental, nature conservation and climate action projects throughout the EU | Anita Fassio | LIFE Unit, Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME), European Commission

LIFE: Implementation conservation activities in Europe | Claudia Gili | Acquario di Genova (Italy)

LIFE: Case example - Wild forest reindeer returns to its historical range - soft releases as the first step | Milla Niemi | Wildlife Service Finland (Finland)

LIFE Case example - Northern Bald Ibis: Reintroduction of a migratory bird species in Europe | Johannes Fritz | Waldrappteam, LIFE+ Northern Bald Ibis (Austria)

14.20 – 14.50 Coffee & tea break

14.50 – 16.50	<p>INVESTING IN CONSERVATION continued session chair Friederike von Houwald Basel Zoo (Switzerland) and EAZA Conservation Committee member</p> <p>Conservation Achievement Score Project Gregory Vogt Conservation Guardians (South Africa)</p> <p>WAZA Nature Connect Program Stephanie Sanderson World Association of Zoos and Aquaria</p> <p>Zoos contribution to <i>in situ</i> conservation of Latin American aquatic mammals Lorenzo von Fersen Zoo Nuremberg, YAQU PACHA (Germany)</p> <p>Oceanário de Lisboa support to <i>in situ</i> conservation projects Nuno Vasco Rodrigues Oceanário de Lisboa (Portugal)</p> <p>Financing a grassroots conservation programme: Hutan's 20 years' experience of fundraising challenges, ethics and dilemmas Isabelle Lackman HUTAN (Malaysia)</p> <p>Investing in people, protecting snow leopards: Community-based conservation in Asia's Mountains Matt Fiechter Snow Leopard Trust</p>
16.50 – 17.00	CLOSING
18.45 – 00.00	FAREWELL DINNER