

Name of Project: Tackling Illegal Activities Connected to Hunting Tourism	
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TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR WORK UNDER THE AUSPICES OF IMPEL	

1. Work type and title

1.1 Identify which Expert Team this needs to go to for initial consideration	
Industry and air	<input type="checkbox"/>
Waste and TFS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water and land	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nature protection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cross-cutting tools and approaches	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2 Type of work you need funding for	
Exchange visits	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Peer reviews (e.g. IRI)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>
Development of tools/guidance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comparison studies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assessing legislation (checklist)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other, (please describe):	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.3 Full name of work	
Make two joint inspections to country where hunters come from and to country hunters go to and make a full evaluation on all possible moments that inspections can prevent illegal activities connected to hunting tourism.	
1.4 Abbreviated name of work or project	
Tackling Illegal Activities Connected to Hunting Tourism	

2. Outline business case (why this piece of work?)

2.1 Name the legislative driver(s) where they exist
<i>Bird directive, 2009/147/EC.</i>
<i>Habitats directive, 92/43/EEC.</i>



2.2 Link to IMPEL MASP priority work areas

1. Assist members to implement new legislation.
2. Build capacity in member organisations through the IMPEL Review Initiatives.
3. Work on 'problem areas' of implementation identified by IMPEL and the European Commission.
4. Other, (please specify):

2.3 Why is this work needed?

During the workshop in Romania, in 2015, the working group identified the issue of 'hunting tourism' as an opportunity to work together to identify the scope of this activity and to identify legal and illegal aspects. This was based on a presentation from a prosecutor in Romania. This case had deep impact on nature protection status, and it seemed that illegal activities continue.

In 2015 it was examined a good example of a 'closed' regulatory system under the hunting regulation in Slovenia, by soft and hard control measures. This was also presented during the Expert Team meeting in Croatia in 2016 and this information was found useful by several Member States. Therefore, a study inspection was organized in Slovenia in 2017 to see how the system was working in practice.

In 2015 it was also developed a survey for internet search for companies who offer hunting tourism trips. The outcomes received very positive feedback during Expert Team meeting in Croatia in 2016 and there was a demand for a follow-up and more widespread search. This had a follow-up discussion on the Expert Team meeting in 2017.

2.4 Desired outcome of the work

Report / analysis of the scope of the problem according to hunting tourism based on three different point of views: competent authorities, Birdlife partners and FACE partners.

Exchange of (enforcement) information the lead to a joint inspection in the field of hunting tourism and to investigate illegalities.

Extend the network of inspectors working together.

2.5 Does this project link to any previous or current IMPEL projects?

This project is a continuation from the project Tackling Illegal Hunting Tourism that have been running in the ET NP for the last years.

This project links to the following Green IRI's: Romania 2014, Italy 2016 and Albania 2018.

3. Structure of the proposed activity

3.1 Describe the activities of the proposal

- **Hunting tourism joint inspections:**



- Preparing joint inspections with IMPEL representative in countries where the inspection will take place.
- 2 joint inspections.
- Drafting and dissemination of the report.
- Core team meeting to discuss about results.
- Dissemination report.

The joint inspections are done with the inspectorate from the country where the inspection will take place. We will therefore travel to the location of the inspectorate and from there do the inspection on site. Besides the inspection in the field there will also be meetings with all the authorities that have a connection to the traveling of hunters; customs, police, authorities that license EU-weapon passport etc.

3.2 Describe the products of the proposal

- Report on the two joint inspections and an assessment on the possibilities to improve inspections on illegal activities connected to hunting tourism.

