



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

I.

Contractual parties

1. IUCN/SSC Equid Specialist Group

IUCN, Gland, Switzerland

Represented by Dr. Patricia Moehlman, Ph.D., co-chair

by Dr. Sarah King, Ph.D., co-chair

and by Dr. Jan Pluháček, Ph.D., member of ESG charged to coordinate the organisation of the conference

(hereinafter “ESG“)

2. Derbianus Conservation z.s.

Kamýcká 129, Praha 6, Czech Republic

Represented by doc. Ing. Karolína Brandlová, Ph.D., chair

(hereinafter “Derbianus”)

3. United States Geological Survey

Fort Collins Science Center

2150 Centre Avenue, Bldg. C

Fort Collins, Colorado 80526

Represented by Dr. Kathryn Schoenecker

(hereinafter “USGS”)

4. Zoologická zahrada hl. m. Prahy, příspěvková organizace

U Trojského zámku 120/3, 171 00 Praha 7, Czech Republic

Represented by Mgr. Miroslav Bobek, Director

(hereinafter „Prague Zoo”)

5. Faculty of Tropical AgriSciences

Kamýcká 129, Praha 6, Czech Republic

Represented by doc. Ing. Jan Banout, Ph.D., dean

(hereinafter „FTA”)

(all subjects hereinafter referred together as „Parties”)

II.

Subject Matter

The long range goal of the IUCN/SSC ESG is to conserve biological diversity by developing and executing programs to study, save, restore, and manage wisely wild equids and their

habitats. The ESG is the most influential conservation organisation for wild equid protection and conservation. ESG coordinates activities in equid conservation in many countries in Africa and Eurasia. It participated in the first International Wild Equid Conference in Vienna in 2012.

Derbianus is responsible for running the conservation programme of critically endangered western subspecies of Derby eland (*Taurotragus derbianus derbianus*) in Senegal. In 2017, Derbianus organised the conference “Antelope, Giraffe, Hippo in the 21st Century: Conservation Action in Africa” at the Czech University of Life Sciences Prague. As the conservation challenges and threats for antelopes and equids are widely overlapping and conservationists for the represented hoofstock taxa share a similar range of topics, experiences from the previous conference organisation will be used for the International Wild Equid Conference.

USGS (United States Geological Survey) is the research arm of the Department of Interior (DOI) in the U.S. government and provides science support and research to assist resource managers on all public lands in the USA. USGS is currently leading research on feral horses and burros across the western USA, specifically to provide tools and new techniques for better management of these species, and to inform decision-makers about their effects on vegetation and interactions with other species on arid and semi-arid landscapes.

Prague Zoo, established in 1931, has been involved in both ex-situ and in-situ long-term conservation of Przewalski horses - the species whose successful recovery is the model and example of successful cooperative conservation work. Sixty years ago, Prague Zoo organized and hosted the first symposium ever held on conservation of Przewalski horse and has kept the International studbook of the species since then.

FTA has long term experiences in conference organising and capacity to provide student volunteers for conference organisation and a suitable conference venue.

The Parties have a common goal consisting of producing a conference (Conference) on wild equid conservation, behaviour, taxonomy, genetics and other topics in Prague in 2019, following a previous successful conference on Wild Equids organized in Vienna 2012. This Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) concerns the holding of the Conference in September 2019 in Prague with Derbianus Conservation acting as the local host, and specifies basic requirements, responsibilities and roles of particular Parties.

Conference details

Name of the Conference: 2nd International Wild Equid Conference
Main Conference venue: Czech University of Life Sciences Prague (provided by FTA),
Kamýcká 129, Czech Republic
Dates of the Conference: 1st – 5th September 2019
Estimated number of participants: 100 - 300

III.

Roles and Contributions of Contractual Parties

1. IUCN/SSC ESG

a. Role of the main organizer

The main organiser is responsible for choosing the speakers (including plenary speakers). The scientific committee will be chosen by ESG. ESG could also assemble and modify the program agreed by the Parties. ESG will cooperate on the editing of book of abstracts.

b. Coordination

Member of ESG, [REDACTED] will coordinate all actions of all Parties included in this agreement. All Parties are obligated to provide all information on time and cooperate with [REDACTED] to allow the conference to take place successfully.

2. Derbianus

Derbianus as a local host will carry a wide spectrum of responsibilities connected with venue infrastructure and logistics, conference realization team, social events and excursions. Specifically it deals with:

a. Website and email

Derbianus will create and manage the webpages for the conference as well as the official email for communication with the conference participants and local suppliers (accommodation, catering, transport, IT, audio system & projections, managing sponsors etc.). All the Parties will get the *admin* to use the email.

c. Conference realization team and volunteers

Derbianus will manage the realization team and the volunteers assisting with the conference organisation.

d. Sourcing local suppliers

Derbianus will arrange the logistics of delivering the Conference and identifying local suppliers (accommodation, catering, transport, IT, audio system & projections, managing sponsors etc.) and will manage appropriate contracts.

e. Festive Dinner

Derbianus will organise a social program to include a Festive Dinner for participants on the evening of Tuesday 3rd September 2019.

f. Post conference excursions

There will be two options of post conference excursions. Derbianus will organize the all-day trip to Safari park Dvůr Králové including transport by bus and lunch.

Derbianus and Prague Zoo will organize all-day trip to Milovice (re-wilding project with Exmoor pony and European bison) and Dolní Dobřejov (Przewalski horse breeding facility of Prague Zoo) including transport by bus and lunch.

g. Book of abstract, posters, banners and other prints

Derbianus will participate on creation of the Book of abstracts and posters, banners, badges and all other printed material needed for the conference.

h. Conference bag for participants

Derbianus will provide the bag for participants and ensure that an appropriate content will be provided.

i. Registration, fee collection, Conference budget, economic flow

Registration of participants, collection of Conference fees and all other economic flow (financial contributions from sponsors etc.) will be handled exclusively by Derbianus. All financial transactions and contracts with suppliers will be handled by Derbianus, excluding the Icebreaker at Prague Zoo and transfer of conference attendees to and from the zoo and to and from Dolní Dobřejov, which will be handled by Prague Zoo. All invoices must be submitted within 30 days. Payment will be undertaken within 30 days.

3. USGS

Financial support is provided by USGS for general conference needs and specifically for travel grants. Travel grants are for scientists who would like to attend but are limited by lack of funds. USGS also engages in abstract reviews, science committee tasks, conference organizing and schedule reviews/input.

4. Prague Zoo

a. Icebreaker

Prague Zoo is the organizing partner of the Conference Icebreaker on Sunday, 1st September 2019 (6pm to 10pm). Prague Zoo will provide a suitable venue and will organize the icebreaker event for conference participants. Prague Zoo will fund the costs related with appropriate refreshment and food. The type and budget of Icebreaker will be of further negotiation between Parties, depending on number of registered participants.

b. Zoo tour during the conference

Prague Zoo undertakes to host and organize a zoo visit by the Conference participants on the afternoon of Sunday 1st September 2019 including behind the scenes tours (based on current possibilities) or Tuesday 3rd September 2019 based on possibilities of the conference program.

c. Tour to Dolní Dobřejov

Prague Zoo will co-organize the optional post-conference tour to Dolní Dobřejov. Appropriate refreshment will be provided at Dolní Dobřejov.

4. FTA

FTA will provide the main conference hall (at Czech University of Life Sciences Prague) as well as other rooms and space which will be needed to organize the conference.

IV.

Organising and realization team members

Based on the agreement of all Parties the conference organising team and conference realizing team has been agreed.

1. Organising team

[REDACTED]

2. Realization team

[REDACTED]

Any communication with media and participation of any journalists at the Conference has to be approved by organising team.

V.

Terms and conditions

Each party takes legal and financial responsibility for the actions of its respective employees, representatives and volunteers. Each party agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other to the fullest extent permitted by law from and against any and all demands, claims, actions, liabilities, losses, damages, and costs, arising out of or resulting from the indemnifying party's acts or omissions related to its participation under this agreement, and each party shall bear the proportionate cost of any damages attributable to the fault of such party, its employees and independent contractors.

Each Party, at its sole cost and expense, shall carry insurance or self insure to cover its activities in connection with this agreement.

VI.

Final provisions

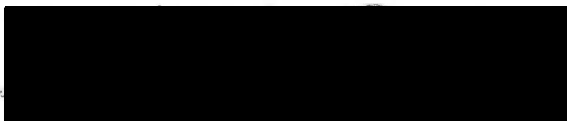
Each Party acknowledges that the Prague Zoo is bound by the Act No. 340/2015 Coll., the Register of contracts, and agrees that the text of this agreement will be published through the Prague Zoo in the Register of contracts.

Each Party declares that none of the content of this agreement does not consider as trade secret, and also agrees with publication of the personal data included in the agreement.

This agreement shall become effective on the date of the publication in the Register of contracts.

This agreement is printed and signed in five copies, each with the validity of the original. Each party will receive one copy.

In..... ARSONA on 15 JULY 2019



Dr. Patricia D. Moehlman, Ph.D., co-chair ESG

In..... Fork Collins, CO on 1 July 2019



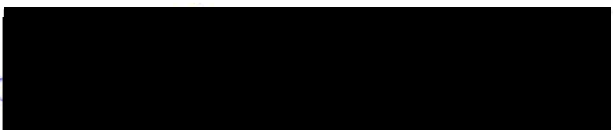
Dr. Sarah R. B. King, Ph.D., co-chair ESG

In..... Ostrava on 20.8. 2019



Dr. Jan Pluháček, Ph.D., member of ESG who is charged to coordinate the organisation of the conference

In..... Ft. Collins, CO on 1 July 2019



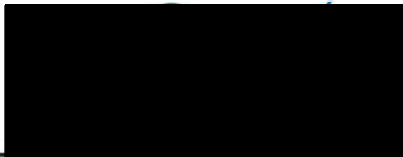
Dr. Kathryn Schoenecker, Ph.D., USGS

In..... on 2019



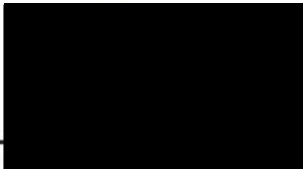
Ing. Karolína Brandlová, Ph.D., chair Derbianus

In..... *PRAGUE* on *28/8* 2019



Ing. Jan Banout, Ph.D., dean FTA

In..... *Prague* on *28.8.* 2019



22-08-2019

Mgr. Miroslav Bobek, Director Prague Zoo

