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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION

of 16 November 2012

adopting a first updated list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (¹) and in particular the third subparagraph of Article 4(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Black Sea biogeographical region referred to in Article 1(c)(iii) of Directive 92/43/EEC comprises parts of the Union territories of Bulgaria and Romania, as specified in the biogeographical map approved on 20 April 2005 by the Committee set up by Article 20 of that Directive, hereinafter the 'Habitats Committee'.
- (2) It is necessary in the context of a process which was initiated in 1995 to make further progress in the actual establishment of the Natura 2000 network, which is an essential element of the protection of biodiversity in the Union.
- (3) The initial list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region, within the meaning of Directive 92/43/EEC, was adopted by Commission Decision 2009/92/EC (²). On the basis of Articles 4(4) and 6(1) of Directive 92/43/EEC, the Member State concerned has to designate the sites included in the list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region as special areas of conservation as soon as possible and within six years at most, establishing conservation priorities and the necessary conservation measures.
- (4) In the context of a dynamic adaptation of the Natura 2000 network, the lists of sites of Community importance are reviewed. An update of the list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region is therefore necessary.
- (5) On the one hand, the update of the list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region is necessary in order to include additional sites that have been proposed since 2010 by Member States as sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region within the meaning of Article 1 of Directive 92/43/EEC. For these additional sites, the obligations resulting from Articles 4(4) and

6(1) of Directive 92/43/EEC should apply as soon as possible and within six years at most from the adoption of this Decision.

- (6) On the other hand, the update of the list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region is necessary in order to reflect any changes in site-related information submitted by Member States following the adoption of the initial Union list. In that sense, this updated list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region constitutes a consolidated version of the list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region. It should be stressed that, for any site included in this Decision, the obligations resulting from Articles 4(4) and 6(1) of Directive 92/43/EEC should apply as soon as possible and within six years at most from the adoption of the list of sites of Community importance in which the site was included for the first time.
- (7) For the Black Sea biogeographical region, lists of sites proposed as sites of Community importance within the meaning of Article 1 of Directive 92/43/EEC were transmitted to the Commission between March 2007 and October 2011, in accordance with Article 4(1) of that Directive 92/43/EEC.
- (8) The lists of proposed sites were accompanied by information on each site, supplied in the format established by Commission Decision 97/266/EC of 18 December 1996 concerning a site information format for proposed Natura 2000 sites (³).
- (9) That information includes the map of the site transmitted by the Member States concerned, name, location and extent of the site, and the data yielded by application of the criteria specified in Annex III to Directive 92/43/EEC.
- (10) On the basis of the draft list drawn up by the Commission in agreement with each of the Member States concerned, which also identifies sites hosting priority natural habitat types or priority species, an updated list of sites selected as sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region should be adopted.
- (11) Knowledge of the existence and distribution of the natural habitat types and species is constantly evolving as a result of the surveillance undertaken in accordance with Article 11 of Directive 92/43/EEC. Therefore, the evaluation and selection of sites at Union level was done using the best available information at present.

^{(&}lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 43, 13.2.2009, p. 59.

^{(&}lt;sup>3</sup>) OJ L 107, 24.4.1997, p. 1.

- (12) Certain Member States concerned have not proposed sufficient sites to meet the requirements of Directive 92/43/EEC for certain habitat types and species. For those habitat types and species it can therefore not be concluded that the Natura 2000 network is complete. Taking into account the delay in receiving the information and reaching agreement with the Member States, it is necessary to adopt an updated list of sites, which will need to be reviewed in accordance with Article 4 of Directive 92/43/EEC.
- (13) Given that knowledge on the existence and distribution of some of the natural habitat types of Annex I and species of Annex II to Directive 92/43/EEC remains incomplete, it should not be concluded that the network is either complete or incomplete. The list should be reviewed, if necessary, in accordance with Article 4 of Directive 92/43/EEC.
- (14) In the interests of clarity and transparency, Decision 2009/92/EC should be repealed.
- (15) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Habitats Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The first updated list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region in accordance with the third subparagraph of Article 4(2) of Directive 92/43/EEC is set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

Decision 2009/92/EC is repealed.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 16 November 2012.

For the Commission Janez POTOČNIK Member of the Commission EN

ANNEX

First updated list of sites of Community importance for the Black Sea biogeographical region

Each site of Community importance (SCI) is identified by the information supplied in the Natura 2000 format, including the corresponding map. This information has been transmitted by the competent national authorities in accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 4(1) of Directive 92/43/EEC.

The table below gives the following information:

A: SCI code comprising nine characters, the first two being the ISO code for the Member State;

B: name of SCI;

C: * = presence on the SCI of at least one priority natural habitat type and/or species within the meaning of Article 1 of Directive 92/43/EEC;

D: area of SCI in hectares or length of SCI in km;

E: geographical coordinates of SCI (latitude and longitude) in decimal degrees.

All the information given in the Union list below is based on the data proposed, transmitted and validated by Bulgaria and Romania.

А	В	C	D		Е	
SCI code	Name of SCI	*	Area of SCI (ha) Length of SCI (km)		Geographical coordinates of SCI	
					Longitude	Latitude
BG0000100	Plazh Shkorpilovtsi	*	5 125,6526		27,8653	42,9453
BG0000102	Dolinata na reka Batova	*	18 459,2388		27,9261	43,3764
BG0000103	Galata	*	1 623,7186		27,9411	43,1378
BG0000110	Ostrovi Sv. Ivan i Sv. Petar		30,04		27,6919	42,4383
BG0000116	Kamchia	*	12 919,9374		27,7536	43,0217
BG0000118	Zlatni pyasatsi	*	1 374,44		28,0364	43,3044
BG0000119	Trite bratya	*	1 021,99		27,2883	42,7117
BG0000130	Kraymorska Dobrudzha	*	6 520,74		28,3333	43,6200
BG0000132	Pobitite kamani	*	231,35		27,6925	43,2322
BG0000133	Kamchiyska i Emenska planina	*	63 678,468		27,5081	42,9231
BG0000141	Reka Kamchia	*	158,84		27,4783	43,0381
BG0000143	Karaagach	*	64,16		27,7725	42,2233
BG0000146	Plazh Gradina — Zlatna ribka	*	1 153,12		27,6672	42,4233
BG0000151	Aytoska planina	*	29 379,4		27,4414	42,6892
BG0000154	Ezero Durankulak	*	5 050,7948		28,5775	43,6828
BG0000198	Sredetska reka	*	707,78		27,0475	42,3153
BG0000208	Bosna	*	16 225,8881		27,6447	42,1869
BG0000219	Derventski vazvishenia 2	*	55 036,13		27,0536	42,1297
BG0000230	Fakiyska reka	*	4 104,72		27,2911	42,2942

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А	В	С	D	Е	Е	
BG0000242	Zaliv Chengene skele	*	190,0154	27,5119	42,4292	
BG0000270	Atanasovsko ezero	*	7 210,0163	27,4547	42,5836	
BG0000271	Mandra — Poda	*	6 139,1738	27,4042	42,4150	
BG0000273	Burgasko ezero		3 066,8992	27,3922	42,4975	
BG0000573	Kompleks Kaliakra	*	44 128,2643	28,3217	43,3469	
BG0000574	Aheloy — Ravda — Nesebar	*	3 928,38	27,6986	42,6586	
BG0000620	Pomorie	*	2 085,15	27,6364	42,5989	
BG0000621	Ezero Shabla — Ezerets	*	2 623,53	28,5875	43,5753	
BG0001001	Ropotamo	*	12 815,82	27,7000	42,3033	
BG0001004	Emine — Irakli	*	11 282,7954	27,8397	42,7383	
BG0001007	Strandzha	*	118 225,03	27,6283	42,0678	
ROSCI0065	Delta Dunării	*	454 037,3	28,9203	44,9003	
ROSCI0066	Delta Dunării — zona marină		123 373,7	29,2489	44,7789	
ROSCI0073	Dunele marine de la Agigea	*	11,4	28,6433	44,0883	
ROSCI0094	Izvoarele sulfuroase submarine de la Mangalia		382	28,5986	43,8136	
ROSCI0114	Mlaștina Hergheliei — Obanul Mare și Peștera Movilei	*	232,2	28,5717	43,8344	
ROSCI0157	Pădurea Hagieni — Cotul Văii	*	3 617,7	28,4500	43,7889	
ROSCI0197	Plaja submersă Eforie Nord — Eforie Sud		140,4	28,6517	44,0503	
ROSCI0237	Structuri submarine metanogene — Sf. Gheorghe		6 121,5	29,7600	44,8700	
ROSCI0269	Vama Veche — 2 Mai		6 255	28,6511	43,7564	
ROSCI0273	Zona marină de la Capul Tuzla		1 737,9	28,6872	43,9889	
ROSCI0281	Cap Aurora		13 071	28,7031	43,8497	
ROSCI0293	Costinesti — 23 August		4 877,8	28,7208	43,9256	