D-4: Threatened and protected species

Glossary and abbreviations

Glossary:

Critically endangered species: Species facing an extremely high risk of extinction in the wild

in the immediate future.

Endangered species: Species which are not "critically endangered" but are facing a

very high risk of extinction in the wild in the near future.

Protected species: Species, which are protected in accordance with national

legal provisions.

Threatened species: Sum of species "critically endangered", "endangered" and

"vulnerable".

Vulnerable species: Species which are not "critically endangered" or

"endangered" but are facing a high risk of extinction in the

wild in the medium-term future.

Abbreviations:

CBD: Convention on Biological Diversity

CITES: Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of

Wild Fauna and Flora

EEA: European Environment Agency

EIONET: European Environment Information and Observation

Network

ETC/BD: European Topic Centre/Biological Diversity

EU: European Union

EUNIS: European Nature Information System

IUCN: International Union for the Conservation of Nature

UNEP: United Nations Environment Programme

WCMC: World Conservation Monitoring Centre