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# MOS 3

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# Renewal of the Technical Advisory Group

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- **TOR of the TAG:**

- The purpose of the TAG is to serve & assist Signatories in the effective implementation of the MOU & its Action plan
- Membership shall comprise persons operating in their personal capacity, & qualified as specialists in raptor research, conservation &/or management
- In appointing members, MOS should strive to achieve a balanced representation of:
  - areas of expertise for advice requested
  - geographic regions with fewer Signatories

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  - TAG members serve for a period of 2 regular MOSes and, in “exceptional cases”, where the MOS so decides, may be nominated for a 3rd term



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- Only 1 current member anticipated to serve beyond MOS3 (until MOS4)
- 15 places available
- 93% of membership anticipated to change

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9 reappointments, applying the “exceptional case”

Justification: concern for loss of continuity of TAG’s work; value of expertise & network that the reappointed could offer to the group



# Selection panel and assessment criteria

- **TAG TOR:**

- TAG regional reps & other experts shall be appointed by the MOS at the recommendation of a panel comprising:
  - TAG Chair
  - TAG Vice-Chair
  - CU's Programme Officer
  - CU's Executive Coordinator



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- **Other criteria:**
  - Relevance of educational background
  - Authorship in peer-reviewed publications
  - Gender



## Selection panel's recommendation for renewed TAG

- 15 best candidates selected
- Qualifications in Annex II
- 50% reappointed
- All 4 nominated women selected

Membership representation	TAG member's name	Nominator (Signatory or Co-operating Partner)	Starting term	Expiry term (inclusively)
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	Ralph Buij	The Netherlands	MOS3	MOS5
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# Action requested

- **The Meeting is invited to:**
  - Endorse the recommendation of the selection panel on the 15 persons to serve on the TAG starting after MOS3



# Thank you for your attention

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