



Course Title:	An Introduction to Collaborative Conservation Planning
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Aimed at:	Zoo staff who are responsible for managing field programmes and in particular the development of conservation plans for threatened species <i>in</i> and/or <i>ex situ</i> .
Language taught in:	English
Taught hours:	6 hours (in person)
Extra hours for study etc.:	3 hours in advance of the course (online), plus an optional post-course 'principles to practice' activity of 2+ hours.
Cost:	EAZA members: €130 Non-members: €165
Minimum group size:	14
Dates:	Tuesday 17 May 2022 (in person) plus pre and post online activities
Delivery Method:	In person at Zagreb Zoo and live online sessions via Zoom

Course Aim(s):

This course is designed to provide a 'door opener' into collaborative conservation planning, with a focus on planning for threatened species. The course will raise awareness and provide introductory skills linked to process design and facilitation. It will also 'signpost' to deeper training in the subject available both online and in person.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this course you will:

- 1) Be able to describe the foundational principles and steps inherent in effective species conservation planning
- 2) Be able to distinguish between process design, thinking tools and interpersonal skills
- 3) Be able to explain the group decision-making process
- 4) Be able to select between different planning processes that are relevant to the management of species *ex situ*, and at the interface with wild populations



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- 5) Be able to do more effective listening
- 6) Be able to apply at least one thinking tool to help groups solve problems, make decisions or develop plans

Content:

The course is designed around the IUCN SSC CPSG Principles and Steps. We begin by exploring participants' experiences of group decision making to understand what is required to improve the process. After a review of the group decision making process, we introduce particular thinking tools that can help groups make better decisions and solve problems, providing an opportunity for some of these tools to be practiced. Following an introduction to particular interpersonal skills, we provide an overview of the range of CPSG planning tools that can be used to inform conservation planning for collections through the One Plan approach.

Assessment:

Formative assessment will be undertaken during the course as participants practice particular facilitation tools.

Additional information:

Introductory course modules will be delivered online through pre-recorded lectures and pre-course reading. The in-person part of the course will take place ahead of the [EAZA Conservation Forum](#)

How to apply:

Registration will be completed through an online form, for a link to register or if you have any questions about the course or registration please email laura.myers@eaza.net putting the course title in the subject line.



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