

## **APPENDIX 1**

### **SCORING SYSTEM FOR SELECTION CRITERIA FOR CANDIDATE ACAP SPECIES**

#### **Global conservation status**

IUCN status of Critically Endangered (extremely high risk of extinction in the wild) = 4; Endangered (very high risk of extinction in the wild) = 3; Vulnerable (high risk of extinction in the wild) = 2; Near-threatened = 1; and Not Threatened/Least Concern/Data Deficient/not classified = 0.

#### **Listing within the Convention on Migratory Species**

Listing on either or both Appendices I and II with a subsequent call for concerted and/or collaborative action = 4; listing on both Appendices I and II = 3; Listing on Appendix I = 2, listing on Appendix II = 1; no listing within the CMS = 0.

#### **Current population trend**

Global population increasing, stable or insufficient information available to assess trend = 0; at least one population known to or thought to be decreasing = 1; several populations known or thought to be decreasing = 2; all studied populations known or thought to be decreasing = 3; all studied populations known or thought to be decreasing severely = 4.

#### **Population size**

Global population less than 1000 annually breeding pairs = 4; global population between 1000 and 10 000 annually breeding pairs = 3; global population between 10 000 and 100 000 annually breeding pairs = 2; global population between 100 000 and one million annually breeding pairs = 1; global population over one million breeding pairs = 0. Global estimates do not exist for many species, especially burrowing forms. For them a “guesstimate” has been made, based on a reading of Brooke (2004).

#### **Level of endemism**

Species breeds within more than four states = 4; species breeds within four states = 3; species breeds within three states = 2; species breed within two states = 1; species breeds within one state only = 0.

### **Migratory nature**

Species occurs in territorial/EEZ waters of more than three states = 4; species occurs in territorial/EEZ waters of three states = 3; species occurs in territorial/EEZ waters of two states = 2; species occurs in only one state's waters but also visits international waters = 1; species does not leave territorial/EEZ waters of a single state = 0.

### **Land-based threats**

Species known to face severe land-based threats in two or more breeding range states = 4; species known to face detectable land-based threats in two or more breeding-range states = 3; species known to face severe land-based threats in at least one breeding-range state = 2; species known to face detectable land-based threats in at least one breeding-range state = 1; no land-based threats have been identified = 0.

### **At-sea conservation threats**

Species known to face severe threats in international waters and/or territorial/EEZ waters of at least two states = 4; species known to face a detectable level of threat in international waters and/or territorial/EEZ waters of at least two states = 3; species known to face a severe level of threat in international waters and/or territorial/EEZ waters of at least one state = 2; species known to face a detectable level of threat in international waters and/or territorial/EEZ waters of at least one state = 1; species not known to face at-sea threats = 0.