
SHORT REPORT (SUMMARY) ABOUT THE WILD UNGULATE MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION

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Summary

In the mandate proposal of the working group on Large Carnivores, Wild Ungulates and Society (WISO) for the period 2021-2022 until the XVII Alpine Conference, one of the objectives was to continue the exchange and discussion about wild ungulate management.

WISO aims at finding solutions to manage large carnivores and wild ungulates harmoniously with society. Wild ungulates, due to the more charismatic character of large carnivores, tend to be in the second plan. Therefore, the focused debate on the fourth WISO meeting covered the crosswise scope of large carnivores and wild ungulates – how to adapt the wild ungulates' management according to the presence of large carnivores.

The representatives agreed to set a podium for the exchange of best practice examples, experiences, practical approaches, expertise, good ideas, since the basis is different from country to country (different hunting systems, different impact of LC on the WU). Since this is not the core focus of the current members of the WISO, other speakers should be invited (forest managers, researchers, practitioners), and also stakeholders.

A symposium about adapting the WU management according to the presence of large carnivores with the working title: "Wild ungulates with/without large carnivores: adapting the WU's management according to the presence of large carnivores" will be one of the objectives to be achieved until the XVIII Alpine Conference with a short report planned as an output.