

# ECONAT2000 Peer Exchanges 2010

## Compensatory measures implementation

**Dates:** 3 days, 21 – 23 April 2010

**Location:** Nîmes, France

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**Format:** Desk based presentations and discussions, with a site visit.

**Scope:** Most of the assessments of projects on Natura 2000 sites lead to compensatory measures (CM). The scope of this peer exchange is to discuss the questions raised by their definition and particularly their implementation.

Among those questions :

- legal aspects of compensatory measures
- nature and location of the CM (habitats, areas concerned, ecosystem functions, etc...)
- quantification system to define the surface area of CM (ratio, coherence of Natura 2000 network, ...)
- timing (before / after impacts) and duration of CM implementation
- how to guarantee the financial provisions and the risks on long term implementations?
- different types of implementation (habitat banking, contract based implementation, ...)
- decision process (where, how, by whom are the decisions concerning CM made?)
- others, in regards with participants experience and case studies.

Due to the transversal aspect of this topic, all kind of projects could be concerned

**Audience:** The exchange welcomes participants from national or local authorities, developers, consultants, NGO's including Natura 2000 site managers, ...

**Numbers:** 2-3 per country, maximum of 12 participants

**Result:** All participants should be prepared to present a case study and engage in specialist discussions. There will be also a requirement to contribute to the production of a written briefing on the findings of the exchange, and volunteers will be needed to present the findings at the ECONAT annual seminar in Germany, June 2010.