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SAKER FALCON TASK FORCE

The Saker Falcon Task Force (STF) was established by Resolution 10.28, adopted at the 10th Conference of the Parties (COP10) to CMS, held in Bergen, Norway, in November 2011. The text of the Resolution is available on the [CMS website](#).

The Task Force aims to bring together Range States, Partners and interested parties, to develop a coordinated Global Action Plan, including a management and monitoring system, to conserve the Saker Falcon (*Falco cherrug*). It will operate under the auspices of the Interim Coordinating Unit (ICU) of the UNEP/CMS Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation of Migratory Birds of Prey in Africa and Eurasia ([Raptors MoU](#)).

Under the mandate granted at CMS COP10, the ICU of the Raptors MoU has taken forward preparations to establish the Task Force. [Terms of Reference](#) have been drafted for adoption at the 1st meeting of the STF. These Terms of Reference have been circulated to all key Saker Falcon Range States, Partners and other interested parties, along with a request for Expressions of Interest from representatives who wish to be considered to serve on the STF. A call for a consultant to act as Specialist Technical Advisor (Raptors) to the STF has also been posted on the [vacancies page](#) of the CMS website.

The ICU is planning to host the 1st meeting of the STF on 29 March 2012 in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

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