

The Balkan Lynx Conservation Compendium

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The “Balkan Lynx Conservation Compendium” is a library and forum providing a collection of information, data, documents, maps and other material relevant for the conservation of the Balkan lynx *Lynx lynx martinoi*. It provides all relevant scientific baseline information, but also popular material, news, and documents on the range countries. It is a tool to share knowledge and experience and to manage the wealth of information. The compendium presented had been developed for the initial workshops in April 2005 and are currently revised according to the decisions taken at the workshops in Albania and Macedonia, respectively. For later use, this online version of the compendium will be continuously updated and reviewed to make it readily available for all institutions and individuals working for the conservation of the Balkan lynx.

The Compendium has been built up using the newest web standards (XHTML 1.0 / CSS 1 and 2, Javascript, Apache with PHP 4/5 and MySQL data bases) and is compatible with all recent web-browsers currently in use.

The standard language is English, however the documents are provided in their original language.

The screenshot displays the website interface for the IUCN/SSC - Cat Specialist Group - Balkan Lynx Compendium. At the top, there is a header with the title and logos for IUCN/SSC, EURO NATUR, and the SPECIES SURVIVAL COMMISSION CAT SPECIALIST GROUP. Below the header is a navigation menu with tabs for Status, Countries, Land Use, Wildlife, Livestock, Conserv., Library, Help, and Impressum. The main content area is titled "Status" and includes sub-sections for "Situation Countries" and "Situation Population".

Status

- situation
- taxonomy
- maps

Status - Overview

Situation Countries

Status, distribution and conservation of the lynx in the Balkan countries
[more ...](#)

Situation Population

Verbreitung des Luchses in Mittel- und Osteuropa um 1990

Status, distribution and conservation of the Balkan lynx population
[more ...](#)

Taxonomy

Taxonomic status of the Balkan lynx
[more ...](#)

Maps

Maps illustrating the status of the Balkan lynx population
[more ...](#)

The documents are presented as PDFs opening in an own window by clicking on the respective link, and can be easily downloaded or printed from the compendium. The same is true for the maps in the “map-centres”, which are JPGs or GIFs:

The screenshot displays the IUCN/SSC - Cat Specialist Group - Balkan Lynx Compendium website. The page has a header with the group's name and logos for the Species Survival Commission and the Cat Specialist Group. A navigation menu includes links for Status, Countries, Land Use, Wildlife, Livestock, Conserv., Library, Help, and Impressum. Below the menu, there are sections for Status (situation, taxonomy, maps) and Population. A PDF document titled 'Balkan population' is open in a browser window, showing a map of the Balkan region with distribution points for the lynx in 2001. The map includes labels for BA (Bosnia and Herzegovina) and RO (Romania).

Currently, the Compendium contains 508 files, including 168 PDF-documents and 35 maps. All together, there are some 1000 links leading you through the Compendium. We hope it will expand in the future and help to build a partnership for the conservation of the Balkan lynx among the range countries.