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CITES Handelsregulierungen für Schildkröten – Hilfe oder Hindernis für den Artenschutz?

CITES Trade Regulation of Tortoises and Freshwater Turtles – A Help or Hindrance to Conservation?

Abstract

CITES aims and regulations are described under as the headings of the Conference of Parties, Animal Committee, Plants Committee, Nomenclature Committee, Standing Committee and domestic Authorities, as well as the different Appendices of the CITES Treaty. The rules, arguments and methods that are the basis of how species are to be included or excluded to the different Appendices are shown. The requirements to implement CITES at domestic level are named, review processes and possible international penalties for offences of the treaty are given. Furthermore the effects of CITES, especially for trading tortoises and freshwater turtles, are evaluated and the limitations of CITES are addressed.

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