



Wolf letter December 2025 - Comms pack

Context: On December 17, we will publish a letter to environment ministers calling to not increase the killing of wolves. The letter will come out about a year after the Bern Convention decision, which is where the European Commission spearheaded a disinformation political campaign against wolves, defied scientific advice and lowered the much-needed protection of a whole species.

This letter, signed by 213 organisations across Europe and beyond, calls on EU Member States:

- Not to lower the protection status of the wolf on their respective national territory
- To ensure robust and science-based reporting on the conservation status of the species
- To support co-existence between wolves and local communities

We will send the letter to all EU Environment and Agriculture Ministers on Wednesday, 17 December, in the morning. You can start posting about the letter as of 17 December, 11am CET.

→Link to the letter on the EEB website: [Will be added when the link goes live on Wednesday, 17 December, 11 am]

Find below some suggested messages to be shared via social media channels.

TAGS/Profiles

- Instagram: [[your respective environment minster](#)] + @ursulavonderleyen;
@jessikaroswall;
- X: [[your respective environment minster](#)] + @vonderleyen; @JessicaRoswall;
- Bluesky: [[your respective environment minster](#)] +
@vonderleyen.ec.europa.eu;
- LinkedIn: [[your respective environment minster](#)] + @Ursula von der Leyen;
@Jessica Roswall;



Long post (LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram)

🌍 Environment ministers: the decision is in your hands.

One year ago, Europe signed away the right to live for wolves. All politics - no consideration of science, conservation experts, and hundreds of civil society organisations.

In our joint letter, more than 200 organisations are calling on you: You have the power to be people's and nature's hero:

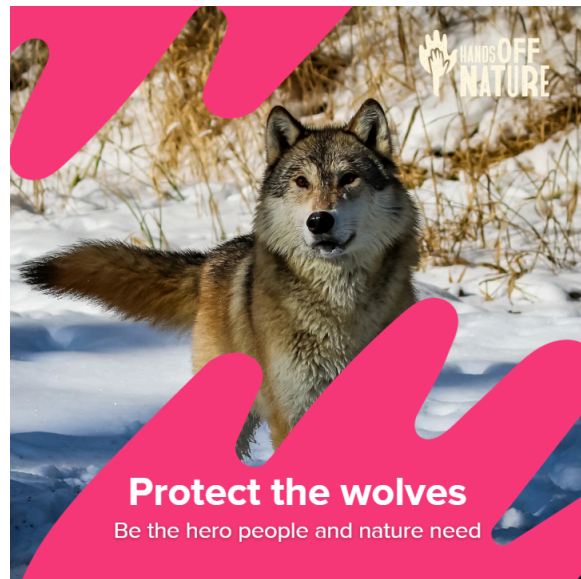
✅ Protect wolves, listen to science, and resist the attacks on countless other species and nature

✅ Defend the work in conservation, education and co-existence practices in your country

This is more than a policy choice - it's a moral responsibility. The eyes of citizens and future generations are on you.

Defend science. Defend nature. Defend people.

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🐺 Some countries are standing up for wolves and for nature. Is yours? The iconic wolf has officially lost its 'strictly protected' status under EU law. This decision was made without scientific evidence.

But not all countries are giving in. Several have rejected this move and are choosing to defend nature. Real leadership means following science, not politics. For this reason, more than 200 organisations across Europe call on EU countries to stand up for the wolf!

🌍 EU countries have received significant funding to support coexistence with large





carnivores. These tools work and are funded - from prevention to compensation - but many remain underused.

Weakening protection is not the answer. Using the tools we already have is.

The wolf is not the problem. The real threat is choosing political quick wins over lasting solutions for nature, climate and our future. Let's lead in protection, and call on others to do the same.

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Short post (X, BlueSky)

🌟 Environment ministers: follow the call of more than 200 organisations across Europe and be the hero that people and nature need

Protect wolves, even when the EU didn't.

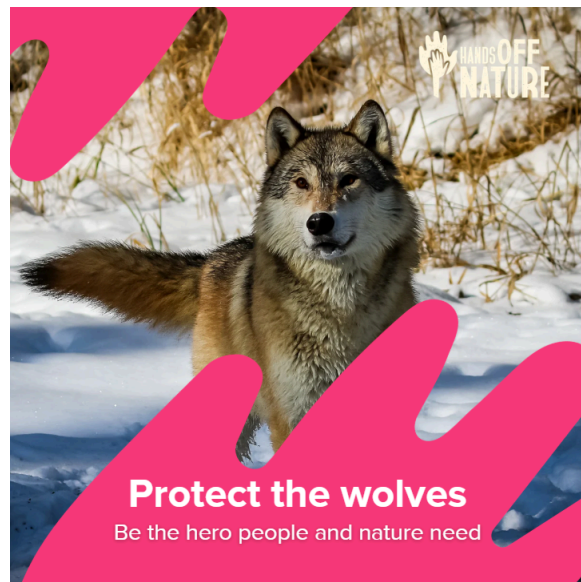
Stand up for:

🐾 A fragile population

💰 Decades of science-based conservation and co-existence work

🌍 A resilient nature in Europe

We cannot accept this weakening of the laws #HandsOffNature





Social handles of environment ministers

Country	BlueSky/X	Instagram	LinkedIn
Austria	@bmimi.gv.at @BMIMI_gv_at	peterhanke	Peter Hanke
Belgium		-	Jean-Luc Crucke
Bulgaria		moew.government.bg	Ministry of Environment and Water
Croatia	@marvuckovic		
Cyprus			Maria Panayiotou
Czech Republic		petr.hladik.brno	Petr Hladík
Denmark		magnusheunicke	Magnus Heunicke
Estonia		andres_sutt	Andres Sutt
Finland		sarimultala	Sari Multala
France	@MathieuMlefevre (delegate minister)	Monique.barbut Mathieu_mlefevre (delegate minister)	Monique Barbut
Germany		schneidercar_spd	Carsten Schneider
Greece		stavrospapastavrou	Stavros Papastavrou - Σταύρος Παπασταύρου



Hungary			
Ireland		darraghobrientd	Darragh O'Brien TD
Italy		gilbertopichetto	
Latvia			
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