

The **International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)** is the world's oldest and largest global environmental organization. (<http://www.iucn.org/about/>)

The **IUCN Species Survival Commission (IUCN/SSC)** is a science-based network of more than 8.500 volunteer experts from almost every country of the world, all working together towards achieving the vision of, "*A world that values and conserves present levels of biodiversity.*"

The **IUCN/SSC/Orchid Specialist Group (IUCN/SSC/OSG)** is a global network of experts who volunteer their time and expertise to build a scientific and practical foundation for the conservation of orchids (Orchidaceae).

OSG European Regional Group click this link:

http://www.iucn.org/about/work/programmes/species/who_we_are/ssc_specialist_groups_and_red_list_authorities_directory/plants/orchid_specialist_group/regional_groups_orchids/european_regional_group_orchid/

recently started a website with links to selected sites of European websites with exclusive interest for European wild orchids.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Best wishes,

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