



International Hen Harrier and Short-eared Owl meeting 2019

20-22 March, Groningen, the Netherlands

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Wednesday, 20 March 2019

Time	Species	Name & institution	Presentation title
9.00			Opening and introduction
An update on status & trends (I)			
9.30	HH	Peter de Boer Sovon, Dutch Centre for Field Ornithology, Netherlands	HH status & trend Netherlands (Wadden Sea islands)
9.38	HH	Almut Schlaich Dutch Montagu's Harrier Foundation, Netherlands	HH status & trend Netherlands (Groningen): Farmland breeding Hen Harriers in East Groningen, a new prospect?
9.46	HH	Nadine Knipping University of Oldenburg, Germany	HH status & trend Germany: Status and trends of Hen Harriers in Germany with special focus on the Lower Saxony Wadden Sea National Park
9.54	SEO	Romke Kleefstra Sovon, Dutch Centre for Field Ornithology, Netherlands	SEO status & trend Netherlands
10.02	SEO	Steffen Kämpfer Osnabrück University, Germany	SEO status & trend Germany
10.10	SEO	Romuald Mikusek Stolowe Mts. National Park, Poland	SEO status & trend Poland
10.18			Coffee break
Current research on ecology & threats (I)			
10.40	HH	Nadine Knipping University of Oldenburg, Germany	The rise and fall of the Hen Harrier in the Wadden Sea - outcomes of a research project on reproduction, food and population dynamics
11.10	HH	Peter de Boer Sovon, Dutch Centre for Field Ornithology, Netherlands	Breeding success, survival and diet of Hen Harrier in the Dutch Wadden Sea area
11.40			Coffee break
An update on status & trends (II)			
12.00	HH	Alexandre Millon (presented by Almut Schlaich) Aix Marseille University, France	HH status & trend France
12.08	HH	Beatriz Arroyo Institute for Game and Wildlife Research, Spain	HH status and trend Spain: Population trends of Hen Harriers in Spain: comparisons between the 2006 and 2017 national censuses
12.16	HH	Duncan Orr-Ewing RSPB, UK	HH status & trend UK
12.24	HH	Barry O'Donoghue Ireland	HH status & trend Ireland
12.32	SEO	John Calladine British Trust for Ornithology, UK	SEO status & trend UK: Correlates with the changing status of breeding Short-eared Owls in Britain
12.40			Lunch break
Current research on ecology & threats (II)			
13.55	HH	Nicholas Aebischer Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust, UK	Ecology and demographics of Hen Harriers in the UK
14.15	HH	Stephen Murphy Natural England, UK	Juvenile dispersal of Hen Harriers in the UK
14.35	HH	Arjun Amar FitzPatrick Institute of African Ornithology, South Africa	Hen Harrier population dynamics on the Orkney Islands, Scotland: insights from over 5 decades of research
15.05			Coffee break
An update on status & trends (III)			
15.25	HH	Dzmitry Vincheuski APB - BirdLife, Belarus	HH status & trend Belarus
15.33	HH	Tomáš Bělka CSO - BirdLife, Czech Republic	HH status & trend Czech Republic
15.41	HH/SEO	Heidi Björklund Finnish Museum of Natural History LUOMUS, Finland	HH & SEO status & trend Finland
15.56	HH/SEO	Stiven Kocijancic National Institute of Biology, Slovenia	HH & SEO status & trend Slovenia
16.11	SEO	David Horal CSO-BirdLife / Nature Conservation Agency, Czech Republic	SEO status & trend Czech Republic
16.19	SEO	Ákos Monoki Hortobágy National Park Directorate, Hungary	SEO status & trend Hungary
16.27			Coffee break
Current research on ecology & threats (III)			
16.45	HH	Megan Murgatroyd FitzPatrick Institute of African Ornithology, South Africa	Association between grouse moors and Hen Harrier disappearances suggests widespread persecution in the British uplands
17.05	HH	Dario Fernandez-Bellon University College Cork, Ireland	Hen Harrier ecology in Ireland: effects of upland afforestation and wind energy development
17.35	HH	Raymond Klaassen Dutch Montagu's Harrier Foundation, Netherlands	Insights from year-round GPS tracking of Hen Harriers breeding in Dutch farmland
17.55	HH	Dzmitry Vincheuski APB - BirdLife, Belarus	Winter hunting of Hen harrier in Belarus: some differences between males and females
18.15			End of programme Wednesday

Thursday, 21 March 2019

Time	Species	Name & institution	Presentation title
9.00			Opening
Current research on ecology & threats (IV)			
9.05	HH	Tomáš Bělka CSO-BirdLife, Czech Republic	Winter habitat use and migration of Hen Harriers based on GPS-tracking
9.25	HH	Raymond Klaassen Dutch Montagu's Harrier Foundation, Netherlands	Diet and foraging ecology of Hen Harriers wintering in the Northern Netherlands
9.45	SEO	John Calladine British Trust for Ornithology, UK	Habitat use and movements by Short-eared Owls: initial results from GPS-satellite tracking and a review of European ring recoveries
10.15			Coffee break
Current research on ecology & threats (V)			
10.35	SEO	Steffen Kämpfer Osnabrück University, Germany	Breeding and feeding ecology of the Short-eared Owl on the Wadden Sea Islands of North West Germany
11.05	SEO	Romuald Mikusek Stolowe Mts. National Park, Poland	Breeding biology of Short-eared Owl in an invasion year 2015 in the Biebrza Marshes
11.25	SEO	Tonio Schaub Dutch Montagu's Harrier Foundation, Netherlands	Movements and diet of Short-eared Owls in the Netherlands
11.45			Coffee break
Conservation approaches (I)			
12.05	HH	Cathleen Thomas RSPB, UK	Hen Harrier LIFE: UK
12.35			Lunch break
Conservation approaches (II)			
13.50	HH	Ryan Wilson-Parr Hen Harrier Project, Ireland	A novel results-based approach to farming for Hen Harrier in Ireland
14.20	HH/SEO	Popko Wiersma & Jules Bos Dutch Montagu's Harrier Foundation & BirdLife Netherlands	"Birdfields" for Hen Harriers and Short-eared Owls
14.50	HH	Simon Lee Natural England, UK	Hen Harrier Reintroduction Project in Southern England
15.10			Coffee break
General discussion & synthesis (I)			
15.30	HH/SEO	Chair	"Take a stand"
15.50	HH/SEO	Dario Fernandez-Bellon University College Cork, Ireland	Threats and conservation measures for HH/SEO in Europe: Results from questionnaires
16.20			Coffee break
General discussion & synthesis (II)			
16.40	HH/SEO	Chair	General discussion
18.10			End of programme Thursday

Friday, 22 March 2019 - Field excursion

07.30	Departure by bus from Martini hotel
09.30	Coffee/tea break at Groninger Kroon, Finsterwolde
12.30	Drop-off at Groningen railway station

