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Annual Bearded Vulture Meeting A long way for the conservation of the Bearded Vulture

23rd - 25th October 2009 - Bormio/Valfurva - Stelvio National Park - Italy

Organised by the Stelvio National Park, the Vulture Conservation Foundation, the International Bearded vulture Monitoring and the Alpine Network of Protected Areas.

About 20 years after the first releases of Bearded Vulture strongly supported from a small group of scientist, the situation is now completely changed over the Alps.

The uncertain scenarios outlined at the beginning of the project turned into reality.

Currently at least 17 reproductive pairs are present, almost 120-140 birds flying over the Alpine chain and 57 field-grown chicks have fledged since 1997. At the mean time mountain people grooved on Bearded vulture and are proud to involve it even for touristic purposes.

The small group of daydreamers steadily grew up much like the number of Bearded vultures flying over our mountains. The belief of the Bearded Vulture as a ferocious lamb predator has thankfully vanished while the awareness of its ecological role is widely spreading even among non experts.

This gives good reason to expect the new population to become self sustaining. Now the project has to face new tasks.

On the one hand a reinforcement of a proven network of observers shall help us to found the new settled pairs and professional monitoring shall guarantee detection of negative impacts to react immediately.

On the other hand bridging the alpine population with other subpopulations like Pyrenees, Balkans, Sardinia and Corsica to maintain a meta-population will be an important aim in the future. To discuss these goals and the opportunity to extend the IBM network to new partners we would like to invite you to annual Bearded Vulture meeting in Bormio (I), the breeding ground where about 40% of the Alpine wild born juveniles fledged.



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PROGRAM

Friday 23rd October - Sant'Antonio Valfurva - “Baita dal Parco” Visitor Centre of Stelvio NP

Registration 13:30 - 15:00

IBM Steering committee: 15:00 - 19:00

Moderator: Richard Zink – *International Bearded vulture Monitoring*

The Steering Committee is made up of one representative of Mercantour, Ecrins-, Vanoise, Regione Valle d'Aosta, Stelvio and Hohe Tauern National Park, Alpi Marittime Nature Park and A.S.T.E.R.S., Foundation Pro Bartgeier, VCF, ALPARC and Sondrio Province Administration.

Workshop I: for members of the IBM Steering Committee only, max. 15 people 15:00 - 17:15

- Definition of the IBM targets;
- Definition of monitoring targets (common observations versus monitoring of reproduction);
- IBM Output – what IBM partners need;
- Structures - Steering Committee / Advisory Board of VCF;
- Finances & Convention & Annex;

COFFEE BREAK 17:15 - 17:30

Workshop II: for everybody interested in the IBM 17:30 - 18:30

- Demands on data base (software) upgrade;
- How to use the IBM data base, exchange of experiences between users.

Social Gatherings:

- Visit to Bormio Thermal Baths 19:00 - 20:30
- Welcome refreshment and Dinner with Products from the Stelvio's area at “Agriturismo Rini” - Via Cav. Pietro Rini 2 – Bormio (offered by Stelvio NP) 20:50





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Saturday, 24th October 2009 - Bormio - “Sala Fontana” – Via Battaglion Morbegno

Registration 08:00 - 09:00

Official Opening 09:00 - 09:30

Ferruccio Tomasi: *President Stelvio NP*
 Gianfranco Saruggia: *President Lombardia Stelvio NP*
 Salvatore Vitali: *Councillor for Protected Areas - Province of Sondrio*
 Elisabetta Ferro Tradati: *Major of Bormio*
 Luca Pedrotti: *Scientific coordinator Stelvio NP*
 Michel Terrasse: *President of the VCF*

**The successful reintroduction over the Alps:
 a solid base to continue with other projects on Vultures** 09:30 - 10:45

Moderator: Michel Terrasse - *President of the VCF*

Michel Terrasse:

The role of Vulture Conservation Foundation and the new challenges
 on Bearded Vulture 09:30 - 09:50

Fulvio Genero, Jean Pierre Choisy & Luca Giraudo:

Overview on Griffon Vulture and Black Vulture projects in the Alps:
 toward a common Network of Observers? 09:50 - 10:05

Jean Pierre Choisy:

Bearded Vulture reintroduction: present knowledge and strategic
 perspectives 10:05 - 10:20

Discussion

COFFEE BREAK 10:45 - 11:15

Studbook Report & Release season 2009 11:15 - 12:30

Moderator: Luca Pedrotti – *Scientific Coordinator of Stelvio NP*

Hans Frey:

Studbook report and reproduction output 2008/2009 11:15 - 11:30

Michael Knollseisen:

The Bearded Vulture in Austria. Report on the release 2009 11:30 - 11:45

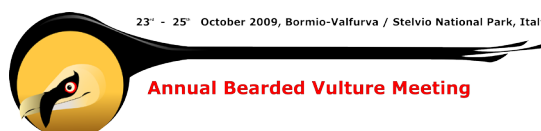
Jerome Isambert:

The reintroduction of Bearded Vulture in the Mercantour National
 Park in 2009 11:45 - 12:00

Carlos Ruiz, Jose Eugenio Gutiérrez, Sergio Couto, Jose Jiménez, Mariano Liñán, Enrique de la
 Montaña, Ruth Muñiz and Lise Pomarède:

Releases and monitoring in the Bearded Vulture Reintroduction Project
 in Andalusia 12:00 - 12:15

Discussion



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LUNCH - free choice in agreed restaurants at controlled price 12:30 - 14:30

Monitoring and Reproduction results 14.30 - 16.15

Moderator: Richard Zink - *International Bearded vulture Monitoring*

Richard Zink:

Tools & Results within the Alpine Bearded Vulture Monitoring 14:30 - 15:00

Etienne Marlé:

The reproduction and monitoring in Haute Savoie 15:00 - 15.15

WAON, Luca Giraudo, Laura Martinelli:

The monitoring of Bearded Vulture in the Western Italian Alps 15.15 - 15:30

Christian Couloumy:

Monitoring results from Ecrins NP and surroundings 15:30 - 15:45

Maria Ferloni:

Monitoring and conservation actions on Bearded Vulture in Sondrio province
15:45- 16:00

Discussion

COFFEE BREAK
and local products offered by “Spaccio Latteria di Bormio” 16:15 - 16:45

Enrico Bassi, Luca Pedrotti & Alberto Ricci:

Monitoring results from Stelvio NP 16:45 - 17:00

Jean Pierre Martinot:

Monitoring and reproductive results from Vanoise NP 17:00 - 17:15

Martino Nicolino:

Monitoring results from Gran Paradiso NP and surroundings 17:15 - 17:30

David Jenny:

Monitoring results from Switzerland 17:30 - 17:45

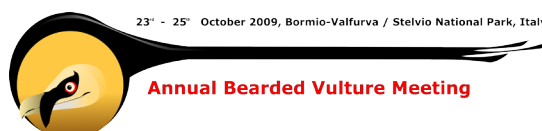
Michael Knollseisen:

Austria 2009 Monitoring results. Report on the breeding pairs 17:45 - 18:00

Discussion

- Film segment about the Life of Bearded Vulture by Marco Andreini,
- Video clip of Andrea Roverselli “Monitoring and genetics: two different meeting roads”
- Photo exhibition “The Bearded Vulture in the Stelvio area” 18:20-19:30

DINNER -free choice in agreed restaurants at controlled price 19:30



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Sunday, 25th October 2009- Bormio - “Sala Fontana” – Via Battaglion Morbegno

Genetics and Telemetry

09:00 – 10:15

Moderator: Daniel Hegglin - *Foundation pro Bartgeier*

Daniel Hegglin & Barbara Hefti-Gautschi:

Genetics of the Alpine Population of Bearded Vulture: strategic considerations

09:00 - 09:15

Daniel Hegglin:

Satellite telemetry of Bearded Vultures - an update

09:15 - 09:30

Daniel Hegglin, Laura Martinelli, Luca Giraudò:

Bearded Vulture and telemetry in the Western Italian Alps

09:30 - 09:45

Carlos Ruiz, José Eugenio Gutiérrez, Sergio Couto, José Jiménez, Mariano Liñán, Enrique de la Montaña, Ruth Muñiz, Lise Pomarède:

Telemetry results in the Bearded Vulture Reintroduction Project in Andalusia

09:45 - 10:00

Ecology

10:00 - 11:00

Moderator: Marie Zimmermann – *ASTERS*

Giuseppe Bogliani, Ramona Viterbi & Martino Nicolino:

Habitat use and selection in the Gran Paradiso NP

10:00 - 10:15

Andrea Ryffel, Britta Allgöwer & Jürg Paul Müller:

Habitat and nesting site modelling for the Bearded Vulture in the Alps

10:15 - 10:30

Enrico Bassi, Francesca Diana, Giuseppe Bogliani, Loris Galli & Luca Pedrotti:

Does Bearded Vulture settlement influences Golden Eagle breeding success?

10:30 - 10:45

Discussion

COFFEE BREAK

11:00 - 11:30

Threats and Strategies for the Future

11:30 - 13:00

Moderator: Enrico Bassi - *Stelvio NP*

Hans Frey:

Lead intoxication in the Bearded Vulture: an upgrade

11:30 – 11:45

Mauro Di Giancamillo, Guido Grilli, Simone Borgonovo, Enrico Bassi, Maria Ferloni & Luca Pedrotti:

Saturnism and raptors: experimental methodology for lead detection in shot ungulates

11:45 - 12:00

José Eugenio Gutiérrez, Enrique de la Montaña, Carlos Ruiz:

A new initiative to fight against lead intoxication

12:00 – 12:15



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Daniel Hegglin, Jürg Paul Müller, Klaus Robin:

Further releases of Bearded Vultures in Switzerland: strategy of the
Foundation Pro Bartgeier

12:15 - 12:30

Discussion

Film segment about the reintroduction project of Bearded Vulture by Lucas Pitsch,

12:45 - 13.00

LUNCH - free choice in agreed restaurants at controlled price

13:00 - 14:30

Visit to a reproductive site in Stelvio NP

14:30 - 18:00

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