

#BOUsci24

## Avian conservation translocations

12-13 November 2024 | On Zoom and X (Twitter)



### PROGRAMME

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Day 1: Tuesday, 12 November 2024

SESSION 1 – MONITORING OF TRANSLOCATED POPULATIONS		#SESH1
GMT 0855	<b>WELCOME TO THE CONFERENCE</b> Chair: TBC	
0900	<b>KEYNOTE</b> <b>How does population monitoring and modelling get more birds in the bush? A perspective from the interface of science and practice</b> Kevin Parker (he/him)   Parker Conservation, New Zealand   @Reintrobiology	
0930	<b>Headstarting and translocating Eurasian Curlew: challenges and outcomes</b> Katharine Bowgen (she/her)   British Trust for Ornithology, UK   @modelbirder	
0945	<b>Preliminary results of the first translocations of a passerine species in continental Europe: the endangered Duppon't's lark</b> Helena Navalpotro (she/ her/ella)   Centre de Ciència i Tecnologia Forestal de Catalunya (CTFC), Spain   @HNavalpotro	
1000	<b>Movements and behaviour of UK white storks</b> Aldina Franco (she/her)   University of East Anglia, UK   @aldinafranco	
1015	<b>Adaptive management for Spoon-billed Sandpiper headstarting based on 10+ years-worth of data and experience</b> Jodie Clements (she/her)   Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust, UK   @WWTconservation	
1030	<b>BREAK</b>	
PLENARY		#PLENARY
	Chair: TBC	
GMT 1100	<b>PLENARY</b> <b>Process and progress in the translocation and reintroduction of bird populations</b> Carl G. Jones   Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust, UK	



1200 **Speedy Posters | ZOOM**  
30-second poster elevator pitches | Various presenters

1215 **Poster Session | SLACK**  
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## X PRESENTATIONS (FROM POSTER PRESENTERS)

#POSTER1

1200 **Gut microbiome variation across translocated populations of the Seychelles warbler (*Acrocephalus sechellensis*)**  
Zoe Crighton (she/her) | University of East Anglia, UK | @zoe\_crighton

1210 **Adjusting the depth of health risk analysis to the conservation translocation context**  
Katie Beckmann (she/her) | University of Edinburgh, UK | @TheDickVet

1220 **Post-translocation survival and breeding of Madagascar Pochard, “the world’s rarest duck”**  
Alex Nicol-Harper (she/her) | Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust, UK, UK | @alexnicolharper

1230 **Overview and analysis of mortality causes for the Griffon Vulture *Gyps fulvus* in Cyprus**  
Martha Petrou | BirdLife Cyprus | @birdlifecyprus

1240 **Successful translocation of a long-distance migrating passerine: new impetus for the conservation of the globally threatened Aquatic Warbler**  
Žymantas Morkvėnas | Baltic Environmental Forum, Lithuania |

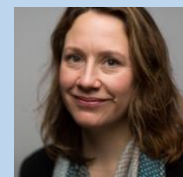
1245 **BREAK**

## SESSION 2 – DECISION SCIENCE AND TRANSLOCATION PLANNING

#SESH2

Chair: TBC

<sup>GMT</sup>  
1500 **KEYNOTE**  
**Use-inspired modelling: demographic analysis in the context of conservation translocation decision making**  
Sarah J. Converse | University of Washington, USA |



1530 **Knowledge is power: how collaborative research supported a reintroduction of the Western Grasswren**  
Saul Cowen (he/him) | Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, Western Australia | @CowenSaul

1545 **Reintroduction strategy development and evaluation for a threatened grassland passerine using decision analysis**  
Hannah A. Sipe (she/her) | University of Washington/University of Montana, USA |



1600 **A protocol for the design and implementation of translocations in inland passerines**  
Pedro Sáez Gómez (he/him) | Universidad Autónoma de Madrid (UAM), Spain |

1615 **BREAK**

## SESSION 3 – ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT

#SESH3

Chair: TBC

GMT

1645 **KEYNOTE**

**Learning and uncertainty: adaptive management of conservation translocations**

Stefano Canessa (he/him) | University of Bern, Switzerland | @Stefano\_Canessa



1715 **Conserving Kyloring – taking the plunge with wild-wild translocations of a Critically Endangered parrot**

Sarah Comer | Department of Biodiversity, Conservation & Attractions, Western Australia |

1730 **Head-starting Burrowing Owls to increase hatch-year survival and site fidelity in Alberta, Canada**

Graham Dixon-MacCallum (he/him) | Wilder Institute/Calgary Zoo, Canada |

1745 **BREAK**

## SESSION 4 – HEALTH AND WELFARE CONSIDERATIONS

#SESH4

Chair: TBC

GMT

1815 **KEYNOTE**

**Considerations for health and welfare in successful conservation translocation programmes – the tūtuturua/New Zealand shore plover as a case study**

Kate McInnes | Dept of Conservation, New Zealand |



1845 **Managing the health aspects of a long-term Golden Eagle reinforcement project**

Gidona Goodman | The Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies/University of Edinburgh, UK |

1900 **Evaluation of the diet of the white stork at Knepp Estate during the breeding season**

Şeniz Mustafa (she/her) | University of Brighton/White Stork Project, UK | @senizdoesnature

1915 **Applications of Project Godwit early-life effects analysis results to future translocation work for Black-tailed Godwit**

Alex Nicol-Harper (she/her) | Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust, UK | @alexnicolharper

1930 **END OF DAY 1**



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SESSION 5 – ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION AND REWILDING		#SESH5
Chair: TBC		
GMT 0800	<b>KEYNOTE</b> <b>The role of conservation translocations in rewilding</b> Phil Seddon (he/him)   University of Otago, New Zealand   @PhilSeddon4	
0830	<b>The Mississippi Sandhill Crane supplementation, 1981-present</b> Scott Hereford   Fish and Wildlife Service, USA	
0845	<b>The Marianas Avifauna Conservation Plan: progress and challenges in the Western Pacific</b> Ellie Roark   CNMI Division of Fish and Wildlife, Northern Mariana Islands   @FledgeCast	
0900	<b>Assessing invasion risks using EICAT-based expert elicitation: application to a conservation translocation</b> Maude Vernet (she/her)   University of Bern, Switzerland	
0915	<b>Speedy Posters   ZOOM</b> 30-second poster elevator pitches   Various presenters	
0930	<b>Poster Session   SLACK</b> View posters and chat with presenters on Slack	
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0915	<b>Human versus machine: comparing post-release survey methods in a reintroduction of Aotearoa/New Zealand hii (<i>Notiomystis cincta</i>)</b> Victoria Franks (she/her/hers)   University of Salford, UK   @VixFranks	
0925	<b>Bringing back Guam's ko'ko': lessons from translocating an experimental population on Rota</b> Lauren Thompson (she/her)   Guam Division of Aquatic & Wildlife Resources	
0935	<b>Ensuring best practice – the English Code for conservation translocations</b> Jeremy Sabel   Natural England, UK	
0945	<b>Learning to move to survive in the wild</b> Irene Pacheco Guardiola   Miguel Hernandez University, Spain	
0955	<b>The feasibility of reintroduction of Red-billed Chough <i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i> to the Dorset coast using a novel 'wild-take' approach</b> Brittany Maxted   Birds of Poole Harbour/Bournemouth University, UK   @BrittanyMaxted	



1000 **BREAK**

## SESSION 6 – TRANSLOCATIONS AND PEOPLE

#SESH6

GMT Chair:

1030 **KEYNOTE**

**Listening to the species: the key to long term success of the reintroduction of endangered Grey Crowned Cranes in Rwanda**

Olivier Nsengimana | Rwanda Wildlife Conservation Association | @RwandaWildlife



1100 **Engaging communities and stakeholders in a Golden Eagle conservation translocation**

Cat Barlow | Southern Uplands Partnership, UK | @CatBarlowaquila

1115 **Dispersal and immigration in a recently translocated population of Osprey**  
***Pandion haliaetus* in Southern England**

Brittany Maxted (she/her) | Birds of Poole Harbour/Bournemouth University, UK | @BrittanyMaxted

1130 **Thoughts on storks: public perceptions of an avian reintroduction aiming to connect people with nature**

Rachel White | University of Brighton, UK | @Rach\_L\_White

1145 **Towards a multidimensional and integrated approach to conservation translocations**

Filippo Marino | University of Leeds, UK | @Filippo\_Marino

1200 **BREAK**

## X-ONLY PRESENTATIONS

#BREAK

1300 **Hand-rearing and translocation trial of the critically endangered Whenua Hou diving petrel**

Te Arawhetu Waipoua (she/her) | University of Otago, New Zealand | @flying\_force

1310 **Keshopur Chumb Community Reserve: a lesser-known wetland of international importance**

Virat Jolli | Biodiversity and Environmental Sustainability (BEST), India | @jollivirat

1320 **Headstarting planning amid climate change: unforeseen health issues in a Eurasian Curlew headstarting project**

Rosa Lopez Colom (she/her) | Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust, UK | @rlo\_wwt

## SESSION 7 - BEHAVIOUR IMPACTS

#SESH7

Chair: TBC

GMT

1330 **KEYNOTE**

**The interdisciplinary nature of conservation translocations: mixing science and practice in reintroducing the 'Alalā, Hawai'i's last remaining corvid**

Alison Greggor | San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance, USA | @AlisonGreggor



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1400 **Release of White-rumped Vultures *Gyps bengalensis* in Nepal: how successful has reintroduction been?**

John Mallord | RSPB, UK |

1415 **Conservation Translocations as a pseudo-experimental design to study both conservation and ecology**

Ron Efrat | University of Haifa, Israel | @ron\_efrat

1430 **BREAK**

### PANEL – CONSERVATION TRANSLOCATIONS: LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

#PANEL

Chair: Geoff Hilton | Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust |

GMT

1500 **Conservation translocations: Learning from experience and looking to the future**

Martin Gaywood | Nature Scot, UK |



1520 **Panel discussion with live Q&A**

Sarah Dalrymple (Liverpool John Moores University), Lee Schofield (Ecologist and Author), John Ewen (Zoological Society London), Delphine Pouget (Natural England) & Mary Davies (RSPB)

1630 **CONFERENCE CLOSE**

1640 **END OF CONFERENCE**