



ESWG project register

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Project title	Monitoring seaducks in Belgian Marine waters
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Project partners and funders	
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Project website	

Target species and population [enter X against all that apply] <i>Population boundaries can be viewed on the CSN too!</i>			
Greater Scaup (W Europe)		King Eider (N Europe/W Siberia)	
Greater Scaup (Black Sea/Caspian Sea)		Steller's Eider (NW Europe)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (Britain/Ireland)		Harlequin Duck (Iceland)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (Baltic/Wadden Sea)		Long-tailed Duck (Iceland/Greenland)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (Norway/NW Russia)		Long-tailed Duck (W Siberia/N Europe)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (White Sea)		Common Scoter (European)	x
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (Black Sea)		Velvet Scoter (W European)	x
Common Eider <i>S. m. faeroeensis</i> (Faeroe Islands)		Velvet Scoter (Black Sea)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. faeroeensis</i> (Shetland Islands)		Red-breasted Merganser (NW & C Europe)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. borealis</i> (Svalbard/Franz Joseph Land)		Red-breasted Merganser (Mediterranean/Black Sea)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. borealis</i> (Iceland)		Red-breasted Merganser (Greenland)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. borealis</i> (NE Greenland)			

Project type [enter X against all that apply and/or specify other]	
Abundance/distribution	x
Life history (breeding success/survival/recruitment)	
Population delineation / migration	
Ecological research (e.g. habitat use, diet)	
Methodological / techniques	
Anthropomorphic (e.g. contaminants, aquaculture)	
Physiology/energetic/genetics/disease	
Other (please specify below)	
Specify other here	

Project description	
Project duration	
Start date	1986
End data/expected end date	ongoing
Will the project be repeated?	
If yes, please provided estimated start year and end year	
Bird season [enter X against all that apply]	
Breeding	
Non-breeding	x
Moulting	
Migration	
Geographical location	
Belgian marine waters, coastal zone	
Main aims and objectives	
Yearly aerial count of the number and the distribution of wintering seaducks in Belgian marine waters for monitoring purpose.	

Methods

Counting seabirds from an airplane at fixed monitoring routes. At least 1 count during winter covering the entire coastal area of Belgium.

Datasets

Dataset of numbers and geographical position of seaducks: 1986-present.

Project outputs

Reports and papers

Houziaux, J.-S.; Craeymeersch, J.; Merckx, B.; Kerckhof, F.; Van Lancker, V.; Courtens, W.; Stienen, E.; Perdon, K.J.; Goudswaard, P.C.; Van Hoey, G.; Virgin, L.; Hostens, K.; Vincx, M.; Degraer, S. (2012). 'EnSIS' - Ecosystem Sensitivity to Invasive Species. Final Report. Belgian Science Policy Office: Brussels. Chapter 3.4 Impact of *E.directus* on higher trophic levels: seabirds

Other outputs

Data ownership and access	
Are data collated during the project available to external users?	Yes
Individual request for data will be judged.	
Person/organisation that owns the data	
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Additional information
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