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Project LIFE+PINZÓN LIFE14 NAT/ES/000077



CONSERVATION OF THREATENED ISLAND BIRDS THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW POPULATIONS AND HABITAT RESTORATION

13th - 15th March 2019

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09:00h. Opening of International Conference

Joaquín Méndez de Vigo Hernanz - Manager of Local Unit Centre and Canary Islands, Grupo TRAGSA
 Miguel Ángel Rodríguez Sosa - Environmental Councillor of Gran Canaria Cabildo
 Blanca Pérez Delgado - Environmental Vicecouncillor of Canary Government

09:30h. LIFE+Pinzón: Activities and general results of the project for conservation of Gran Canaria blue chaffinch (*Fringilla polatzeki*)

Ruth de Oñate Calvin PhD - Technical Director Project LIFE+Pinzón (TRAGSA)

10:20h. Evolution of the population of Gran Canaria blue chaffinch. LIFE+Pinzón

Luis M^o Carrascal Puente PhD - CSIC Madrid (Scientific Advisor LIFE+Pinzón)

10:45h. Action A1 LIFE+Pinzón: Translocation, feasibility and risk plans for Gran Canaria blue chaffinch

Alejandro Suárez Pérez PhD - Veterinarian, Technical expert LIFE+Pinzón

10:55h. Action C1 LIFE+Pinzón: Release of captivity bred individuals in the pine forests of Gran Canaria Summit

Maria Dolores Díaz Jiménez - Veterinarian at the Center of Breeding in Captivity of the Blue Pinzón of Gran Canaria, Ministry of Environment and Emergencies, Cabildo of Gran Canaria

11:10h. Monitoring the Gran Canaria blue chaffinch population: Evidence of the colonization of new pine woodlands (life+pinzón)

Alejandro Delgado Genta - Technical LIFE+Pinzón

11:35h. Dissemination actions of the LIFE+Pinzón Project

José M. Cabalero Fernández - Technical LIFE+Pinzón (Foresta Foundation)

11:50h. Questions**12:00h. Coffee Break****12:30h. Impact of feral cats in the Canaries and control campaigns**

Félix Manuel Medina Hijazo PhD - Servicio de Medio Ambiente, Cabildo Insular de La Palma (Island Council)

12:50h. Conservation of the Egyptian vulture in the Canary Islands: The LIFE-Egyptian Vulture Project

Miguel A. Cabrera Pérez - Biodiversity Service technical expert, General Directorate for the Protection of Nature, Government of the Canary Islands

13:05h. LIFE+ Rabiche: a successful reintroduction history beyond an endemic bird recovery

Javier Romero Rodríguez - Biologist PhD student in Biodiversity and Conservation (ULL / IPNA-CSIC), Scientific adviser to the post-LIFE+ Rabiche

13:30h. Debate Table**14:00h. Lunch Time****16:00h. Challenges and successes of conservation breeding, critically endangered Hawaiian bird species**

Jennifer Pribble - Research Coordinator for the Hawaii Endangered Bird Conservation Program - San Diego Zoo

16:40h. Questions**16:50h. Recovery of two critically endangered endemic birds in Mauritius**

Christelle Ferriere - Passerine coordinator of Mauritian Wildlife Foundation

17:30h. Questions**17:40h. Coffee Break****18:00h. Decision support and management protocols in the New Zealand Hihī Reintroduction Programme**

John Ewen PhD - Senior Research Fellow

18:40h. Questions**18:50h. Decision science for conservation translocations**

Stefano Canessa PhD - Chert University / IUCN Conservation Translocations Specialist Group

19:20h. Questions**19:30h. Debate Table****19:50h. End of the day****09:00h. What are we learning on avian biogeography and speciation in the Canary Islands?**

Juan Carlos Illera PhD - Tenured researcher at University of Oviedo, Unidad Mixta de Investigación en Biodiversidad (UMIB, CSIC-UO-PA)

09:40h. Questions**09:50h. Translocation of the Razo Lark *Alauda razae* (Cape Verde)**

Pedro Geraldes - SPEA

10:30h. Questions**10:40h. Conservation of threatened birds in Seychelles: invasive species management, habitat restoration and species translocations**

Gerard Rocamora PhD - Science Director, Island Biodiversity & Conservation centre, University of Seychelles

11:20h. Questions**11:30h. Coffe Break****12:00h. Conservation of passerines in Galápagos islands focused on the Mangrove finch*****Camarhynchus heliobates***

Birgit Fessl PhD - Coordinator of land bird conservation project, Charles Darwin Foundation, Galápagos

12:40h. Questions**12:50h. Conservation of the Dupont's lark (*Chersophilus duponti*) and its habitat: the project LIFE Ricotí**

Juan Traba PhD - Coordinator LIFE - Ricotí Autonomous University of Madrid

13:10h. Life The Green Link: a new environmental restoration technique in a context of climate change context

Francisco González Ariles - Technical expert, Cabildo de Gran Canaria

13:25h. LIFE+ Guguy: The recovery of the western endemic woodlands of Gran Canaria island, from utopia to reality

Gustavo Viera Ruiz - Technical Director Project LIFE+ Guguy (GESPLAN)

13:40h. Debate table**14:00h. Lunch Time****16:00h. Habitat restoration in Gran Canaria Summit Areas (La Cumbre)**

Marta Moreno Garcia - Technical Expert, Cabildo de Gran Canaria (LIFE+Pinzón)

16:30h. Forest restoration for bird diversity conservation

José M^o Rey Benayas PhD - Full Professor at the University of Alcalá, Chairman of International Foundation for Ecosystem Restoration

17:00h. Ecological restoration of the laurel forests in Garajonay National Park. The Project LIFE+Garajonay Vive

Ángel B. Fernández López - Director - Conservator, Garajonay National Park, La Gomera.

17:30h. Questions**17:45h. Coffee break****18:10h. LIFE Terras do Priolo: 15 years of integrated management for the conservation of the Priolo (Azorean Bullfinch)**

Azucena de la Cruz - Coordinator SPEA-Azores

18:50h. Ceremony thanking private landowners**19:50h. End of the day****08:00h. Departure from Fuente Luminosa****09:00h. Field visit on foot to project in central summit area: bird sightseeing and ecological corridor****14:00h. Return to Las Palmas. Estimated arrival time at Fuente Luminosa 15:00 h.**

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