

IV International Symposium on the Ortolan bunting

8 - 10 June 2007
Hitzacker/Elbe



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für Wasserwirtschaft,
Küsten- und Naturschutz (NLWKN)



Friday, 8 June 2007

10:00 **Opening address:**

Peter Südbeck, head of the National Park administration
Lower Saxony Wadden Sea

Welcoming addresses:

Jürgen Weinhold
Member of the Administrative Board
District of Lüchow-Dannenberg

Jürgen Meyer
Mayor, Samtgemeinde Elbtalaue

Henning Harms
Chair Landvolk Lüchow-Dannenberg e.V.

Wilhelm Meier-Peithmann
Avifaunistic Working Group
Lüchow-Dannenberg e.V.

Ortolan bunting pilot study in Lüchow-Dannenberg – model for other regions?

Chair: Peter Südbeck

10:45 Ortolan bunting pilot study - ecology
(Petra Bernardy)

11:15 Ortolan bunting pilot study - agronomy
(Insea Pewsdorf)

11:45 Ortolan bunting pilot study - nationwide
aspects of species conservation
(Bernd Oltmanns, head of
Federal State Agency for Bird protection)

12:30 Lunch

Situation of Ortolan bunting in Germany

Chair: Bernd Oltmanns

13:30 North Rhine - Westphalia (Bernd von Bülow)

13:45 Brandenburg (N. N.)

14:00 Saxony (Joachim Ulbricht)

Situation of the Ortolan bunting in Europe

14:15 France (Philippe Girardot)

14:30 Hungary (Gábor Magyar)

14:45 Ukraine (V.V. Serebryakov)

15:00 Synopsis: Population trends of the
Ortolan bunting in Europe
(Hans-Günther Bauer, Germany)

15:30 Coffee break

Ecology Part 1: Causes of population declines

16:00 Diagnosing causes of population decline
of Ortolan Buntings in Norway:
Importance of dispersal and local patch
dynamics (Svein Dale, Norway)

17:00 Population crash of the Ortolan bunting in
Agricultural landscape of southern
Finland (Ville Vepsäläinen, Finland)

18:30 Dinner

20:00 Nature conservancy at the river Elbe
– a common request?
(Frank Neuschulz)

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By car:

B216 Lüneburg - Metzingen - Hitzacker

B191 Uelzen - Pudripp - Hitzacker

B191 Ludwigslust - Dannenberg - Hitzacker



Saturday, 9 June 2007

Ecology Part 2: Habitat use

Chair: Peter Südbeck

- 09:00 Do oat fields benefit the Ortolan Bunting? (Reto Spaar, Emmanuel Revaz, Switzerland)
- 09:30 The Ortolan bunting in Southern Germany: Population development and the migration background (Manfred Lang, Germany)
- 10:00 Integrating farmers into the creation of suitable biotope zones for the Ortolan bunting. First experiences and lessons learnt (Harm de Vries, Netherlands)
- 10:30 Ecology of an isolated Ortolan Bunting Population in Central Tirol (Oberinntal) Austria (Andreas Danzl, Reinhart Lentner, Austria)
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:30 Studies on dietary ecology (Petra Bernardy, Germany)
- 11:55 Habitat preferences of Ortolan buntings in the Prignitz, Germany (Vera Bellenhaus, Germany)
- 12:20 Habitat choice by the Ortolan bunting (Wendland): How important is crop type and its structure? (Markus Deutsch, Germany)
- 12:45 Model project "Skylark window" for the Ortolan Bunting in Lower Francony, Bavaria (Alf Pille, Germany)
- 13:00 Lunch

Bioacoustics and migration

Chair: Alf Pille

- 14:00 Song behaviour of Ortolan Bunting in isolated and patchy Norwegian population (Tomasz Osiejuk, Poland)
- 14:30 Communication network of the territorial Ortolan Bunting males – a microphone array study (Michal Skierczyński, Poland)
- 15:00 Different spring migration of Ortolan Bunting by sex and age at Eilat Israel (Piotr Tryjanowski, Poland)
- 15:30 Ortolan Bunting ringing programme in the Southwest of France, Landes and description of migration path on the Atlantic coast using isotopic study (Philippe Girardot, France)
- 16:00 Are palaeartic migratory bird populations dependent on conditions in their winter quarters (Volker Salewski, Germany)
- 16:30 Coffee break
- Press conference, Tour of Hitzacker town
- 18:30 Dinner
- 20:00 Hanoverian Wendland - an important Region for birds with endangered habitats (Wilhelm Meier-Peithmann, Hans-Jürgen Kelm)

Sunday, 10 Juni 2007

09:00 Uhr Excursion (S. Spalik)