

European LIFE+ Reason for Hope Return of the Northern Bald Ibis Illegal hunting campaign



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Nature, all ways.





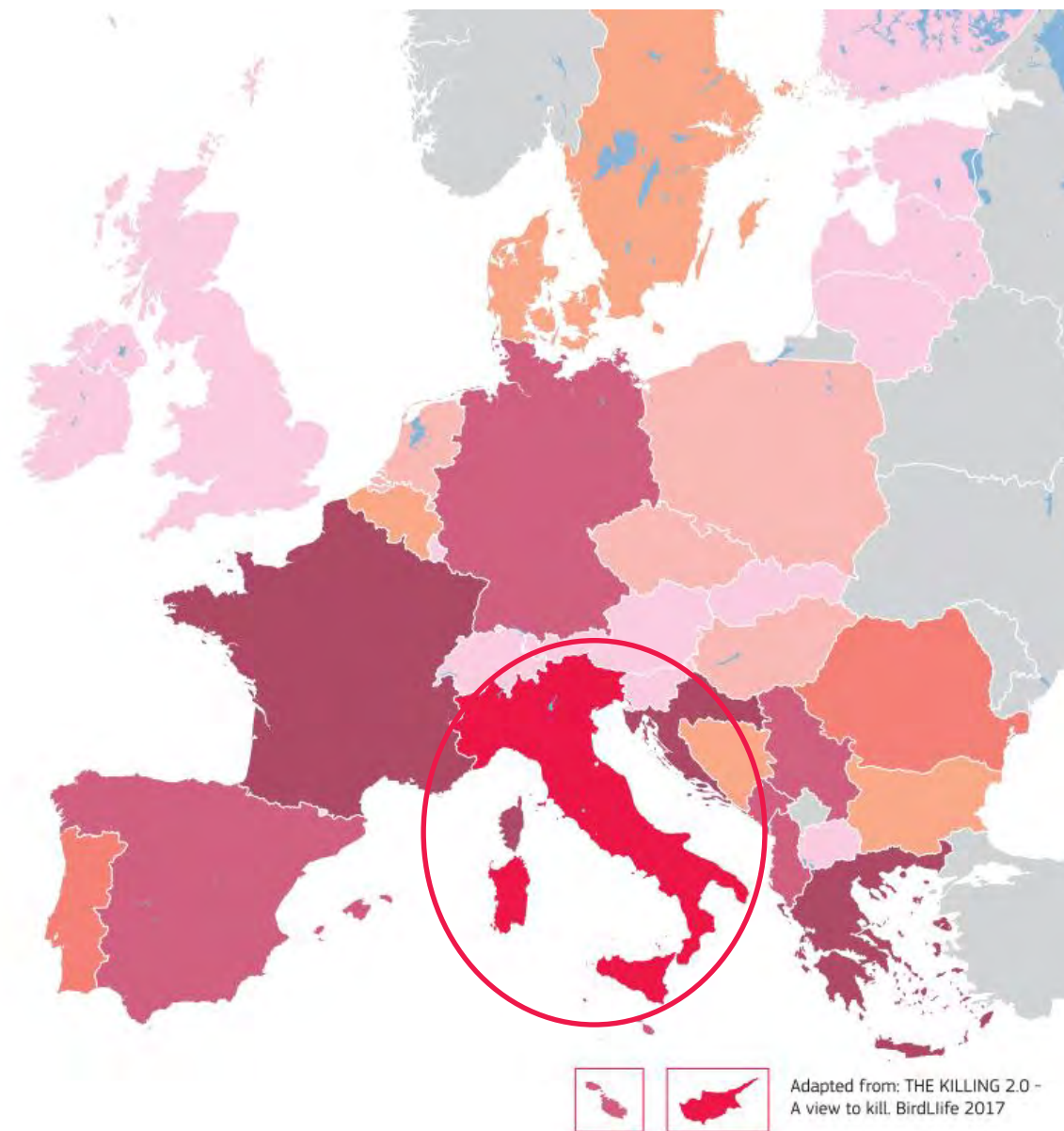
Wildlife crime is the second most significant threat to biodiversity after habitat loss and degradation

[source EC LIFE & Wildlife Crime Report]

36 million birds are killed illegally every year while migrating in the Mediterranean region

[source BirdLife International]



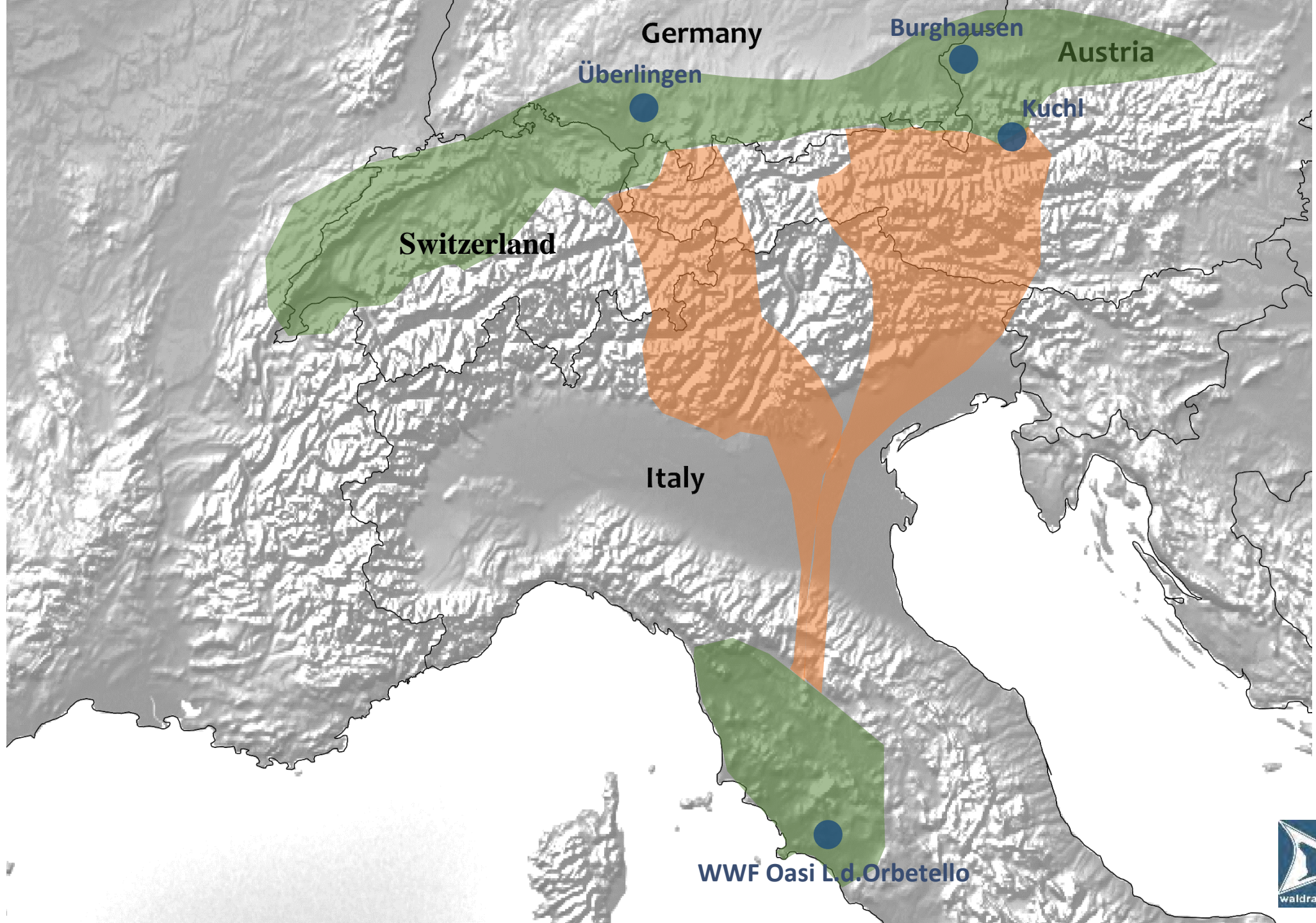




LIFE+ Northern Bald Ibis 'Reason for Hope'







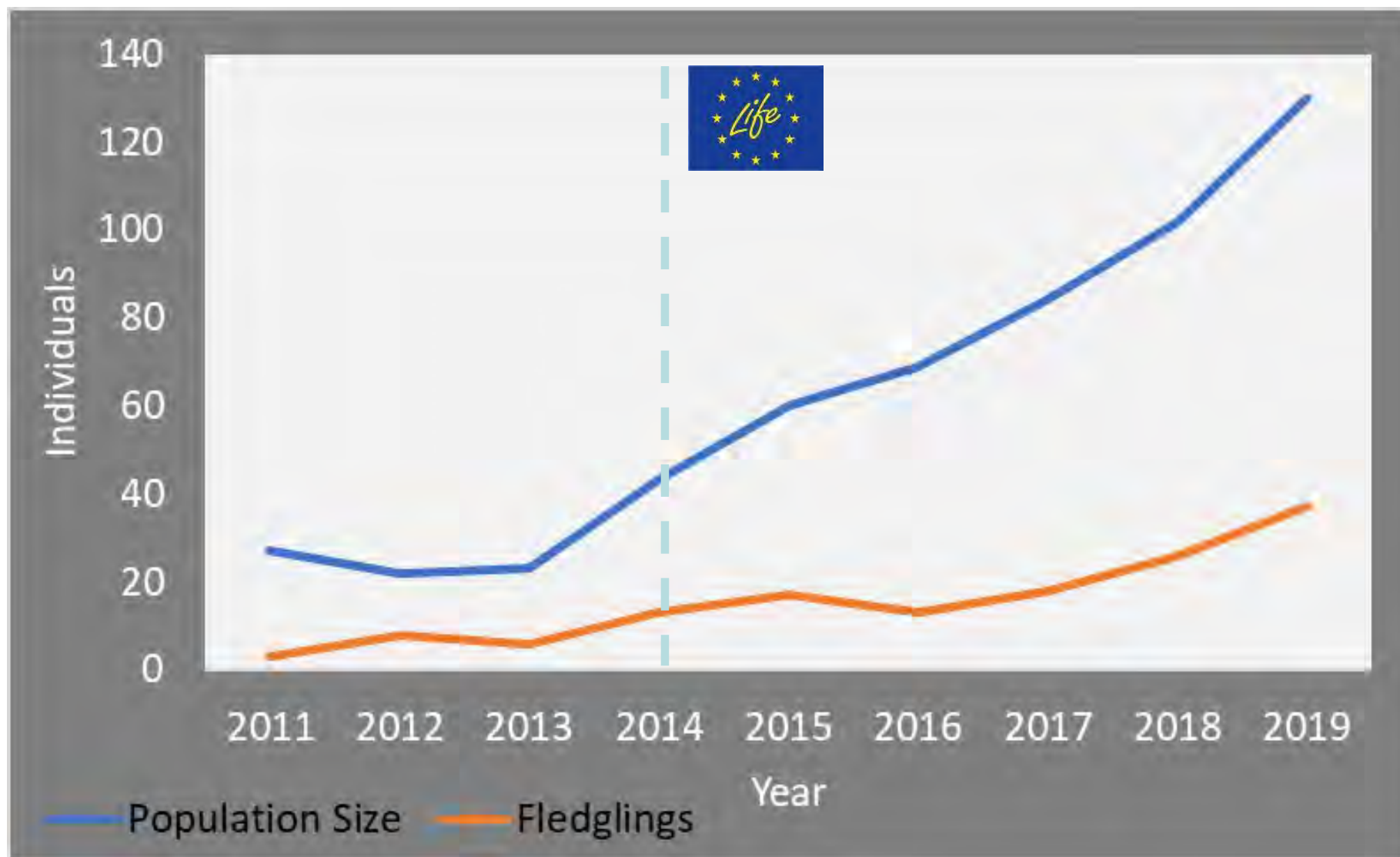






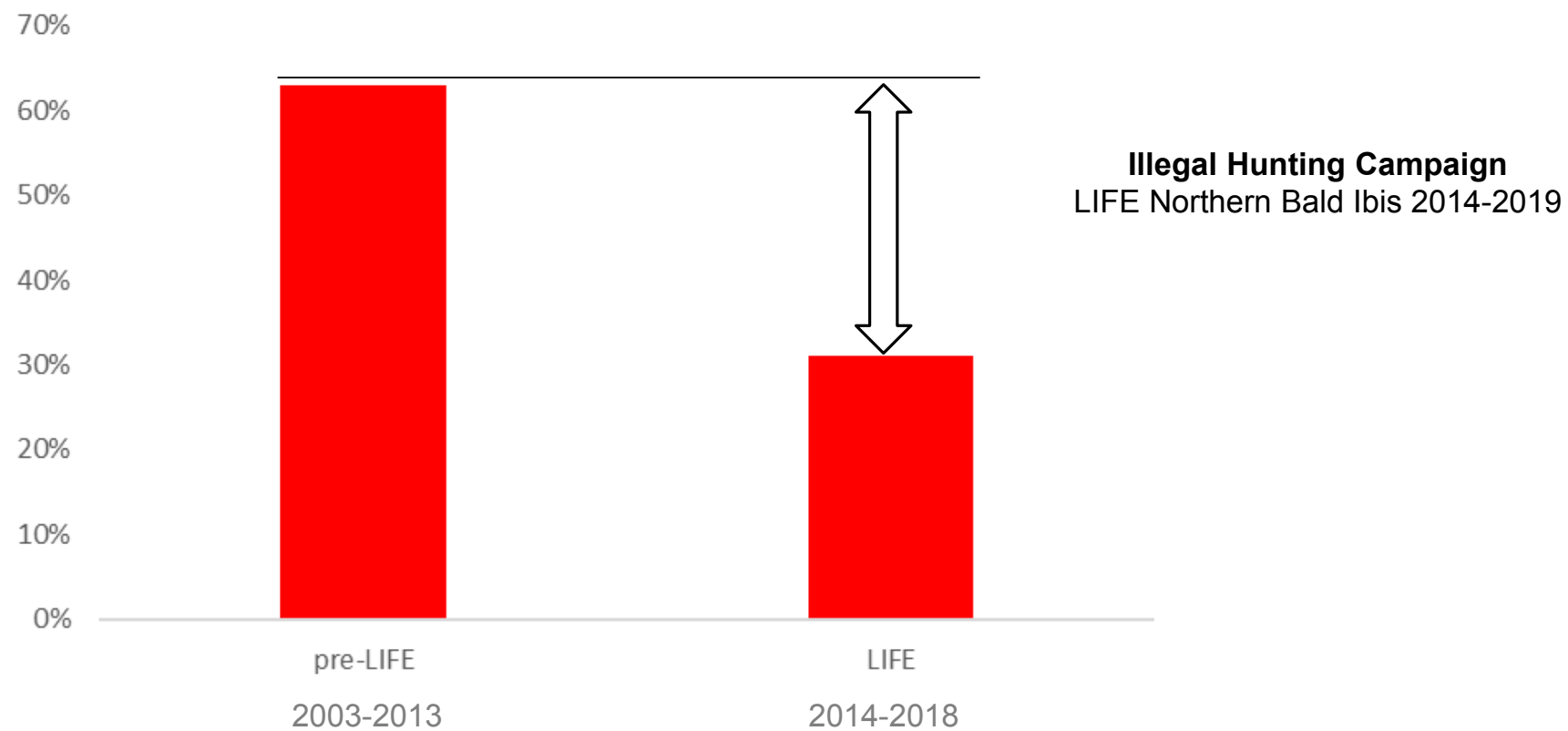








Proportion of losses due to illegal hunting



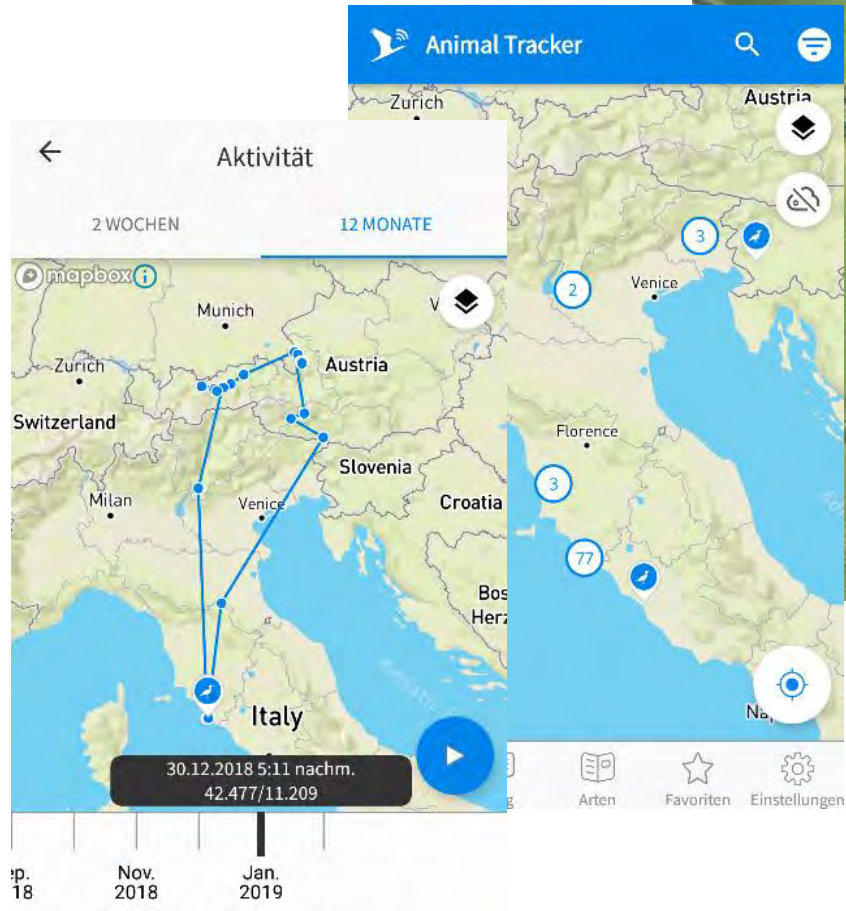
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🦅 NBI as an indicator & flagship species



Indicator Species



Flagship Species

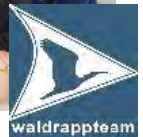


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Accordo informale tra il presidente del progetto LIFE+ Reason for Hope e la Federazione Italiana della Caccia

Il Progetto LIFE+ 'Reason for Hope', sviluppato dall'associazione Föderverein Waldrappteam e dai suoi partner, vuole stabilire, in Europa, alcune colonie auto sufficienti della specie migratrice Ibis eremita. In questo modo vuole anche promuovere una maggiore consapevolezza verso la natura e la conservazione della biodiversità, in particolare al fine di ridurre la minaccia rappresentata dal bracconaggio a carico dell'Ibis eremita e di altre specie lungo le loro rotte di migrazione.

Con l'adozione dell'Ibis eremita 'Artemide' e con la firma di questo accordo informale, la Federazione Italiana della Caccia dichiara di approvare e supportare attivamente e costantemente, nei limiti delle proprie possibilità, gli obiettivi del progetto LIFE+ 'Reason for Hope'.

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Dr. Jane Goodall (in Messaggio di bene di cuore, ricevuto dall'associazione Föderverein Waldrappteam)

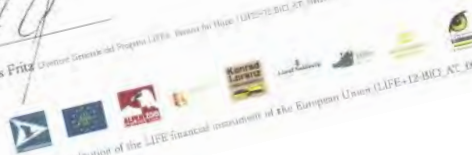
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Dr. Cesare Avesani (Presidente della Federazione Italiana della Caccia)

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Dr. Johannes Fritz (Direttore Generale del Progetto LIFE+ Reason for Hope)

With 50% contribution of the LIFE financial instrument of the European Union (LIFE+12-BIO-AT-00143)



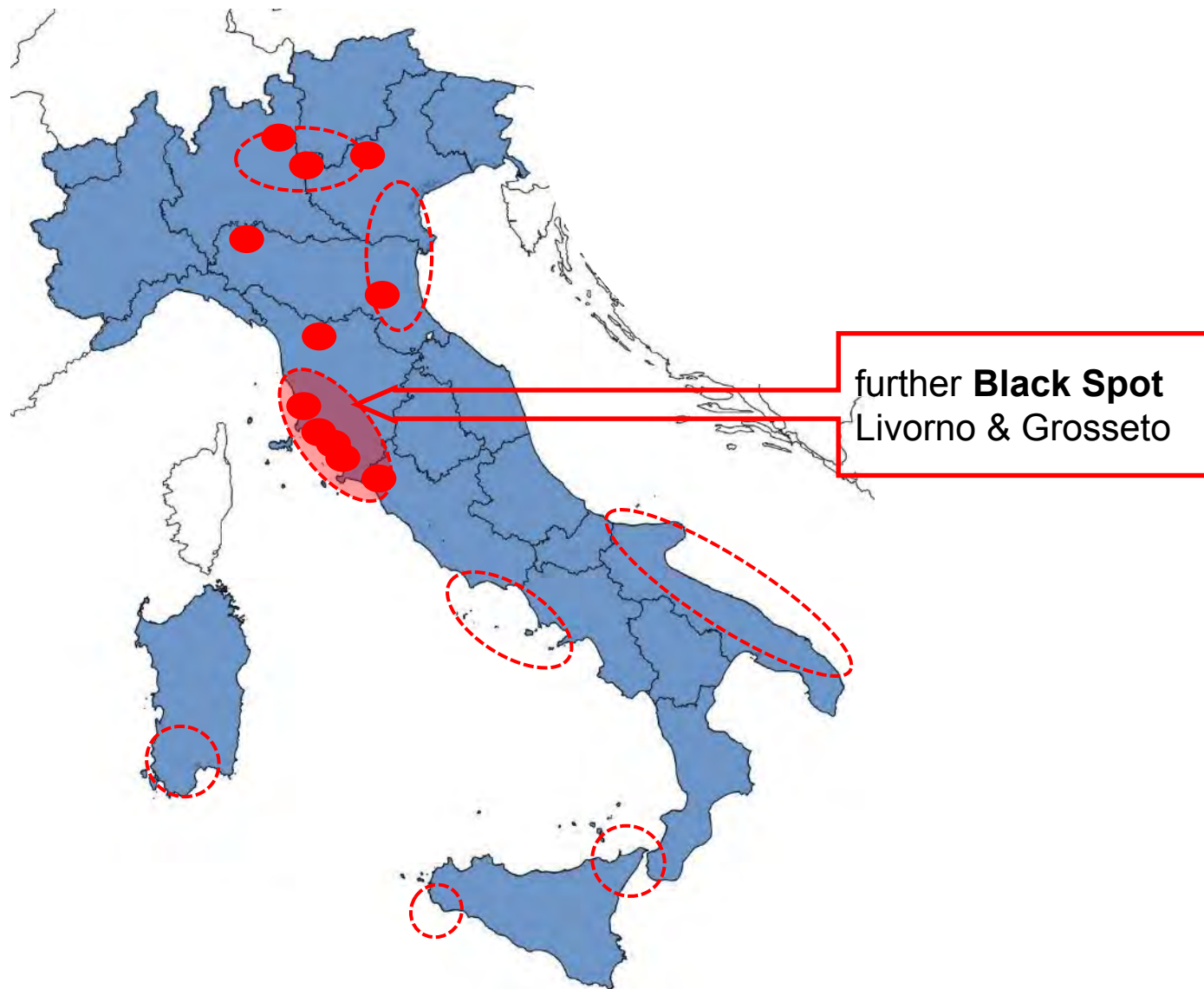
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Italian National Action Plan against illegal killing of birds



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- ✈ Post-poaching & legal activities



- 2012 Two NBIs were shot in the Tuscany;
the **offender was identified and displayed**;
a member of the largest Italian hunting association.
- 2016 The hunter **has been recognized guilty**;
condemned and his hunting licence has been withdrawn;
he appealed.
- 2017 The Supreme Court confirmed the condemnation and
created a **unique and essential precedent**.
- 2019 A subsequent **civil claim for damages** is ongoing,
demanding a damage compensation of ~ € 15.000.



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COMANDANTE

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2003 – 2019

120 birds lost due to illegal hunting

1 offender identified and accused

1 : 120

ILLEGAL HUNTING IS A LOW RISK CRIME

Real-time anti-poaching tags

[O'Donoghue & Rutz 2016]



“this innovative approach could lead to a much-needed breakthrough in the increasingly desperate fight against wildlife crime”



LIFE II

applied for 2021-2027

- ✈ Diving the development of **Real Time Anti Poaching Tags**
 - ✈ Collaboration with **Arma dei Carabinieri**
 - ✈ Extension and training of a **voluntary network**
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- ✈ Reaching **sustainable effects** for migratory birds in general
 - ✈ Initiating and promoting the **implementatin of further campaigns**

Thanks for your attention!



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