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Profile

➤ ORNITHOLOGY

- ✓ Knowledge of the Western Palearctic birds; several birding trips and missions (Spain, Morocco, Slovenia, Fenno-Scandinavia)
- ✓ Experiences in population monitoring (counting, catching, ringing, biometry, tagging and radio-tracking)
- ✓ Experience in blood and cloacal sampling (avian influenza)
- ✓ Collaboration on bird atlas and conservation books
- ✓ Communication on bird ecology (workshops, symposiums and seminars)
- ✓ Impact studies of invasive species on security and hygiene

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➤ ENTOMOLOGY

- ✓ Knowledge of the French Orthopteran and Scarabaeoidea fauna, reference collections of specimens and organs
- ✓ Collaboration on atlas

➤ BOTANY

- ✓ Knowledge of plant histology, rudiments of botany

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➤ RESEARCH

- ✓ Applied research in bird conservation
- ✓ Specialized in insectivorous and herbivorous bird ecology
- ✓ Publications in international journals
- ✓ Associated with several bird research programs (CNRS, ONCFS...)

Work History

➤ NATIONAL HUNTING AND WILDLIFE AGENCY - ONCFS

<http://www.oncfs.gouv.fr>

2004 and **2005**: feeding ecology and diet study on Red-legged Partridge *Alectoris rufa* by faeces analysis; diet study of Pheasant *Phasianus colchicus* by crop analysis

2000 and **2001**: feasibility study of radio-tracking of Jack Snipe *Lymnocyptes minimus* in Camargue

1994 to **1997**; **2001**: contribution to a programme study on Red-legged Partridge: radio-tracking, plant and insect samplings; contribution to the creation of a CR-ROM as a tool for insectivorous and herbivorous studies

➤ BIOLOGICAL STATION OF LA TOUR DU VALAT

<http://www.tourduvalat.org>

2002 to **2005**: contribution to a research program on Common Teal *Anas crecca* in Camargue (catching, tagging, field samplings, monitoring on avian influenza)

2004: feeding ecology study on Greylag Goose *Anser anser* in Camargue by faeces analysis

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ INSTITUTION OF PRACTICAL HIGHER STUDIES - EPHE http://www.ephe.sorbonne.fr ➤ ASSOCIATION LES AMIS DES MARAIS DU VIGUEIRAT http://www.conservatoire-du-littoral.fr ➤ EMIRATES CENTER FOR WILDLIFE PROPAGATION ➤ CEEP - ASSOCIATION FOR NATURE CONSERVATION http://www.ceep.asso.fr ➤ NATIONAL CENTER FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH - CNRS http://www.cefe.cnrs.fr ➤ LPO - FRENCH BIRDLIFE INTERNATIONAL PARTNER http://www.lpo.fr 	<p>2000: contribution to a study on the booming activity of the Great Bittern <i>Botaurus stellaris</i> in Camargue (LIFE Program)</p> <p>1998 and 1999: contribution to a study on the reproductive biology of Purple Heron <i>Ardea purpurea</i> and of its habitat in Camargue; study of its diet by analysis of pellets and regurgitated food</p> <p>1995 to 1997: assessment of the risk of bird collisions with airplanes on a military airfield and of the impact of airplanes on the birds in the plain of the Crau; contribution to a study about the use of Marseille's rubbish by Gulls</p> <p>2005 to 2006: contribution to a research program on Common Teal <i>Anas crecca</i> in Camargue</p> <p>2002: feasibility study of radio-tracking on Jack Snipe <i>Lymnocyptes minimus</i> in Camargue</p> <p>2002: contribution to population reinforcement of Houbara Bustard <i>Chlamydotis undulata undulata</i> in the desert of Morocco and to the study of its biology (catching, ringing, biometry, blood sampling, radio-tagging and aerial telemetry)</p> <p>2001: contribution to a study on the reproductive biology and habitat selection of Stone Curlew <i>Burbinus oedicnemus</i> in the steppe of the Crau</p> <p>2000: feeding ecology and diet study of Little Grey Shrike <i>Lanius minor</i>, an endangered bird species across Europe, in its last two French breeding colonies</p> <p>1991, 1992; 1999: feeding ecology and diet study of Lesser Kestrel <i>Falco naumanni</i>, an endangered bird species throughout the world, in its last French breeding colony in the steppe of the Crau; nest surveillance of a Bonelli's Eagle pair <i>Hieraaetus fasciatus</i> in the Alpilles</p>
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Education

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ INSTITUTION OF PRACTICAL HIGHER STUDIES - EPHE ➤ AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL ➤ AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL 	<p>1998 - Diploma from the French Institution of Practical Higher Studies, Biogeography and Ecology Laboratory, Montpellier: feeding biology of Southern Grey Shrike <i>Lanius meridionalis meridionalis</i> in the plain of the Crau</p> <p>1993 - Higher education in agriculture and food sciences - BTSA; Option: "Nature Conservation"</p> <p>1991 - Education in agriculture and food sciences - BTA</p>
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Other Skills

English: advanced level from Arles Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Statistics: knowledge of criteria for the choice of tests and of their rules of application