



Butterfly Monitoring Scheme

una metodologia per il monitoraggio dei
lepidotteri a supporto dell'iniziativa europea
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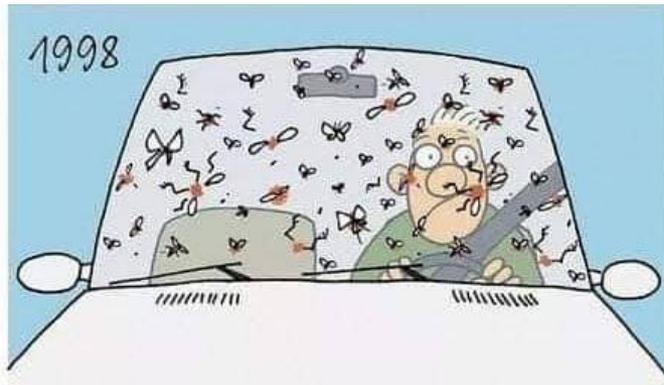
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Gli insetti sono in drammatico declino



RESEARCH ARTICLE

More than 75 percent decline over 27 years in total flying insect biomass in protected areas

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Review

Worldwide decline of the entomofauna: A review of its drivers

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As members of that subset of the human population who love insects, we have been alarmed by a recent publication reporting their global decline and impending extinction (Sánchez-Bayo & Wyckhuys, 2019), and the accompanying media furor. Indeed, there has

Climate-driven declines in arthropod abundance restructure a rainforest food web

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Non esistono schemi di monitoraggio a lungo termine pan europei



“Since the European Commission shows a growing interest for biodiversity monitoring, the time is there to start a European Dragonfly Monitoring Scheme. The success of the European Butterfly Indicator (coordinated by Butterfly Conservation Europe) can serve as an example”

“A pan-European recording scheme, as provided by observation.org, can become an ideal basis for obtaining better distribution maps of Orthoptera species”

The Grass Plain Grasshopper (*Prionotripa rhodanica*) is endemic to the Causse Steppes in southern France and occurs only in mosaic steppe habitat. In the past, this Critically Endangered species declined mainly due to the destruction of its habitat with the remaining population likely to be smaller than 5,000 mature individuals. A conservation plan has recently been developed for this species. © Laurence Tatin

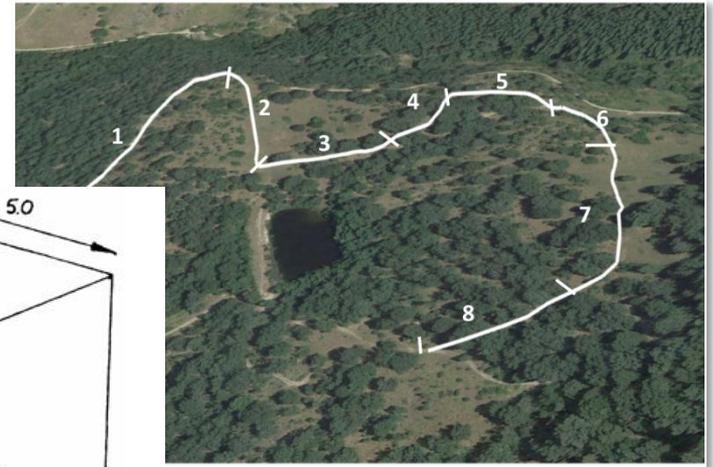
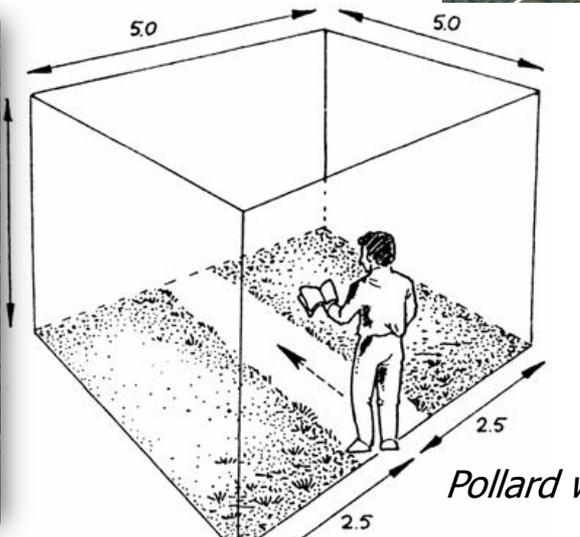
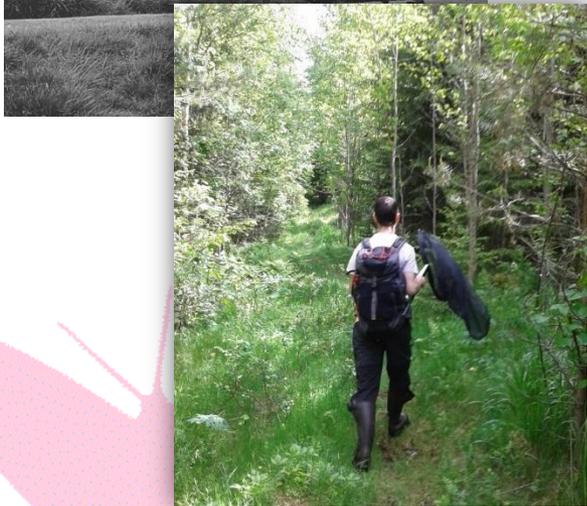


European Butterfly Monitoring Scheme

European Butterfly Monitoring Scheme



<http://www.butterfly-monitoring.net/mydata>



Pollard walk – Pollard and Yates 1993

The European Butterfly Monitoring Scheme (eBMS) was formed by Butterfly Conservation Europe in April 2016 to bring together data from the Butterfly Monitoring Schemes from different countries into a single database. The work is coordinated by the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology in the UK.

There are well organised active schemes in Europe in many countries, from Finland in the north until Spain in the south. In eBMS data from all these schemes is collected together to analyse and produce the population trends of the European species.

Every moment eBMS is growing and including more partners, new partners that use the website as a national website or sharing the data directly to the database. All the collaborators, volunteers and suppliers of data are decisive for the knowledge of European Butterflies.





Meadow, Greece

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Welcome

<https://butterfly-monitoring.net/>



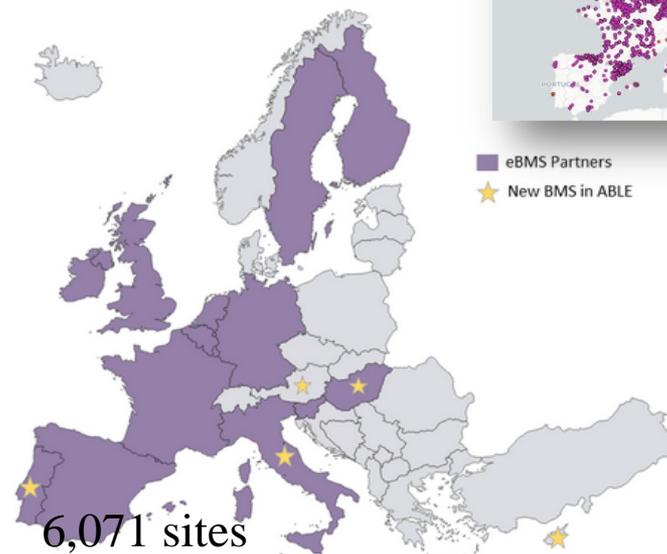
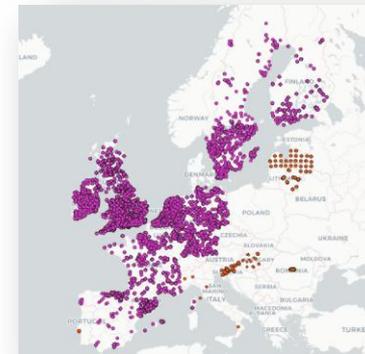
Lycaena phlaeas

Become a volunteer counting butterflies!

Help us counting butterflies, it will increasing the knowledge of butterflies and we could protect them better. There are already thousands of volunteers throughout Europe helping in butterfly conservation.

If you would like to join to eBMS and collaborate in the Butterfly Monitoring Scheme you just need to register. Follow [this link](#) to the My Data section and you will find a Quick Guide for setting up butterfly monitoring.

- Join one of the biggest citizen science network
- Monitoring butterflies in your area, you will contribute to science



6,071 sites
a gradient of ca. 6,800 Km (SW-NE)

New Butterfly Monitoring Schemes:

During this year 2019 ABL project did a great progress in the creation of new Butterfly Monitoring Schemes and including existing schemes in the network of eBMS.

- New schemes created in 2019 were in *Portugal, Austria* and *Cyprus* with a great welcome in the society and many volunteers
- Schemes joined to eBMS network: *Hungary, Italy, and Slovenia* providing data to the central database and increasing the number of transects.

The ABL project helped to several of these schemes promoting butterfly monitoring with several workshops, training seminars and material for volunteers. Many new butterfly transects have been created this year and many more will start next year to cover more European area and determine the situation of butterflies in Europe. We thank to all the volunteers willing to collaborate and to all the effort provided by coordinators and collaborators. We will continue working for butterfly conservation!

Map shows the eBMS network status in Nov.2019 and new BMS developed/created in 2019 with ABL

*Profile of a new BMS coordinator - ABL
Newsletter 2019*

eBMS Network - ABL Newsletter 2019

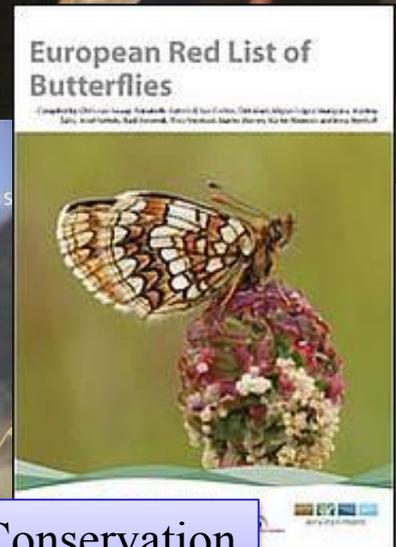


Il BMS italiano nasce in Europa grazie all'input della Butterfly Conservation Europe



BCE Board Committee - 2019

Prime Butterfly Areas
in Europe

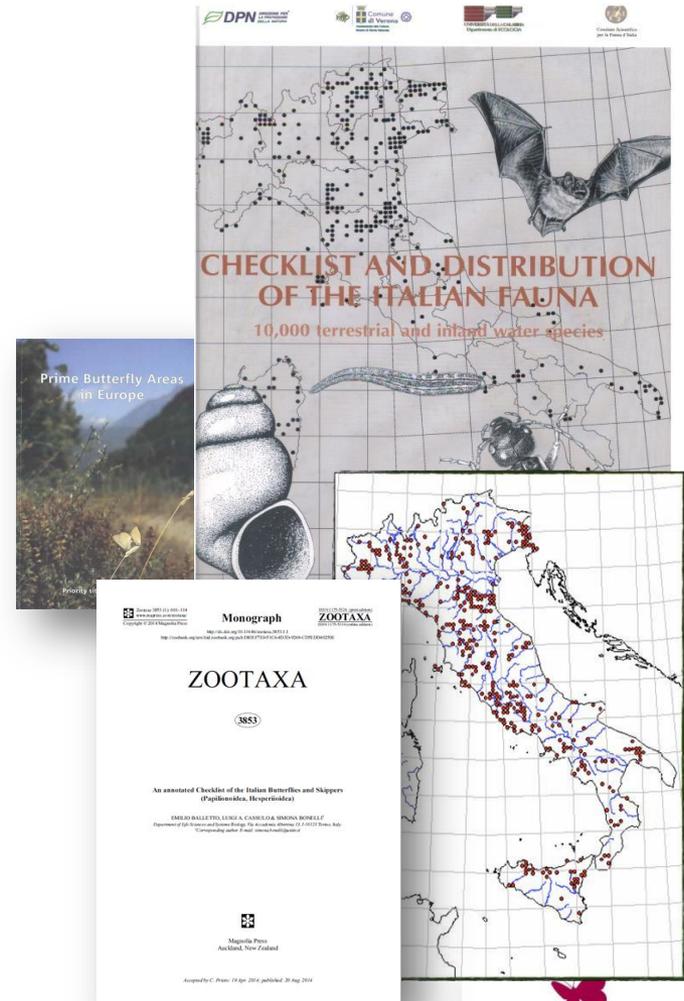


**BCE's Mission: Conservation
of Butterflies**

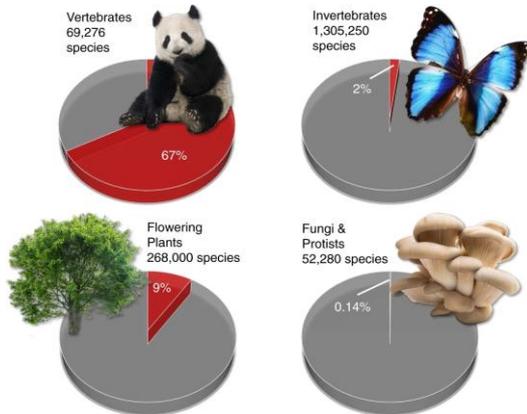
**Inaugural Meeting on BCE - Laufen, 29-31 October 2007
Bavarian Academy for Nature Conservation and Landscape Management (ANL)**

Il BMS italiano nasce grazie a progetti nazionali che hanno reso possibile la raccolta dati sulle farfalle italiane

- ✓ **1999 - Red Data Book of European Butterflies (van Swaay & Warren 1999)**
- ✓ **2003 - Prime Butterfly Areas in Europe (van Swaay & Warren 2003)**
- ✓ **2006 - Balletto E., Bonelli S., Cassulo L., (2006). Insecta Lepidoptera Papilionoidea.*In*: S. Ruffo e F. Stoch (Eds) -- Checklist and Distribution of the Italian Fauna.. 10.000 terrestrial and inland water species 2nd and revised edition -- Memorie del Museo Civico di Storia Naturale di Verona, 2° serie, Sez. Scienze della Vita. 17: 257-261, 280 tav. su CD-ROM.**
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REALIZZATO DA
 MINISTERO DELL'AMBIENTE E DELLA TUTELA DEL TERRITORIO E DEL MAR
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LISTA ROSSA DELLE FARFALLE ITALIANE ROPALOCERI

THE STATUS AND DISTRIBUTION OF MEDITERRANEAN BUTTERFLIES

RED LIST

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MEDITERRANEAN

Red List of Species

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SSC Butterfly Conservation UNIBIO MAVA

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La prima Lista Rossa delle Farfalle italiane

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Liste Rosse italiane
Cosa sono le Liste Rosse

Categorie e criteri
Estinta (EX)
Estinta in Ambiente Selvatico (EW)
Estinta nella Regione (RE)
In Pericolo Critico (CR)
In Pericolo (EN)
Vulnerabile (VU)
Quasi Minacciata (NT)
Minor Preoccupazione (LC)
Carente di Dati (DD)
Non Applicabile (NA)

Gruppi sistematici
ARTHROPODA
> INSECTA
CHORDATA
> AGNATHA
> AMPHIBIA
> AVES
> CHONDRICHTHYES

Lycaena dispar

Cerca nella Lista Rossa:
(genere, specie o nome comune...)

Vai

Tassonomia

| Regno | Phylum | Classe | Ordine | Famiglia |
|----------|------------|---------|-------------|------------|
| ANIMALIA | ARTHROPODA | INSECTA | LEPIDOPTERA | LYCAENIDAE |

Nome scientifico: *Lycaena dispar*
Descrittore: ([Haworth], 1802)

Informazioni sulla valutazione

Categoria e criteri della Lista Rossa: Minor Preoccupazione (LC)
Anno di: 2016



Lycaena dispar
Foto di Bernard Franssen
catalogo fotografico su www.leps.it



<http://www.iucn.it/liste-rosse-italiane.php>

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La prima Lista Rossa delle Farfalle italiane

Least Concern (LC) species



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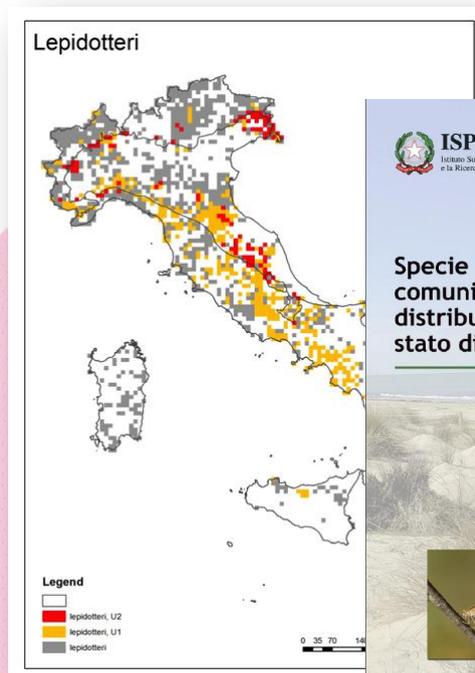
Winter-green host-plants, litter quantity and vegetation structure are key determinants of habitat quality for *Coenonympha oedippus* in Europe

Tatjana Čelik · Markus Bräu · Simona Bonelli ·
Cristiana Cerrato · Branko Vreš · Emilio Balletto ·
Christian Stettmer · Matthias Dolek

Alcune sono minacciate solo in una parte dell'areale italiano. Ad esempio alcune specie come *Parnassius apollo* sono in declino negli Appennini, ma restano abbondanti sull'arco alpino.

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BMS nasce anche dalla necessità di pianificare la raccolta dati per redigere l'ASSESSMENT ai sensi dell'art 17 per specie protette dalla Direttiva Habitat



Manuali per il monitoraggio di specie e habitat di interesse comunitario (Direttiva 92/43/CEE) in Italia: specie animali



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MANUALI E LINEE GUIDA

16 Specie in Direttiva Habitat 60% delle specie protette in Europa (29)



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Istituto Superiore per lo Studio e la Cura dell'Ambiente

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In Italia: specie animali

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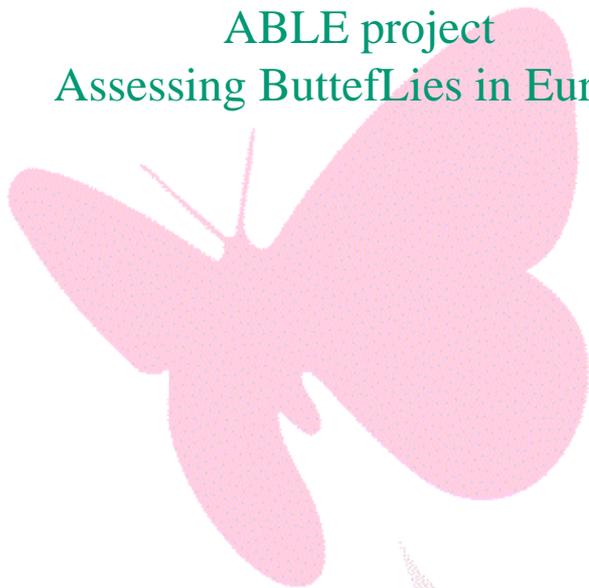
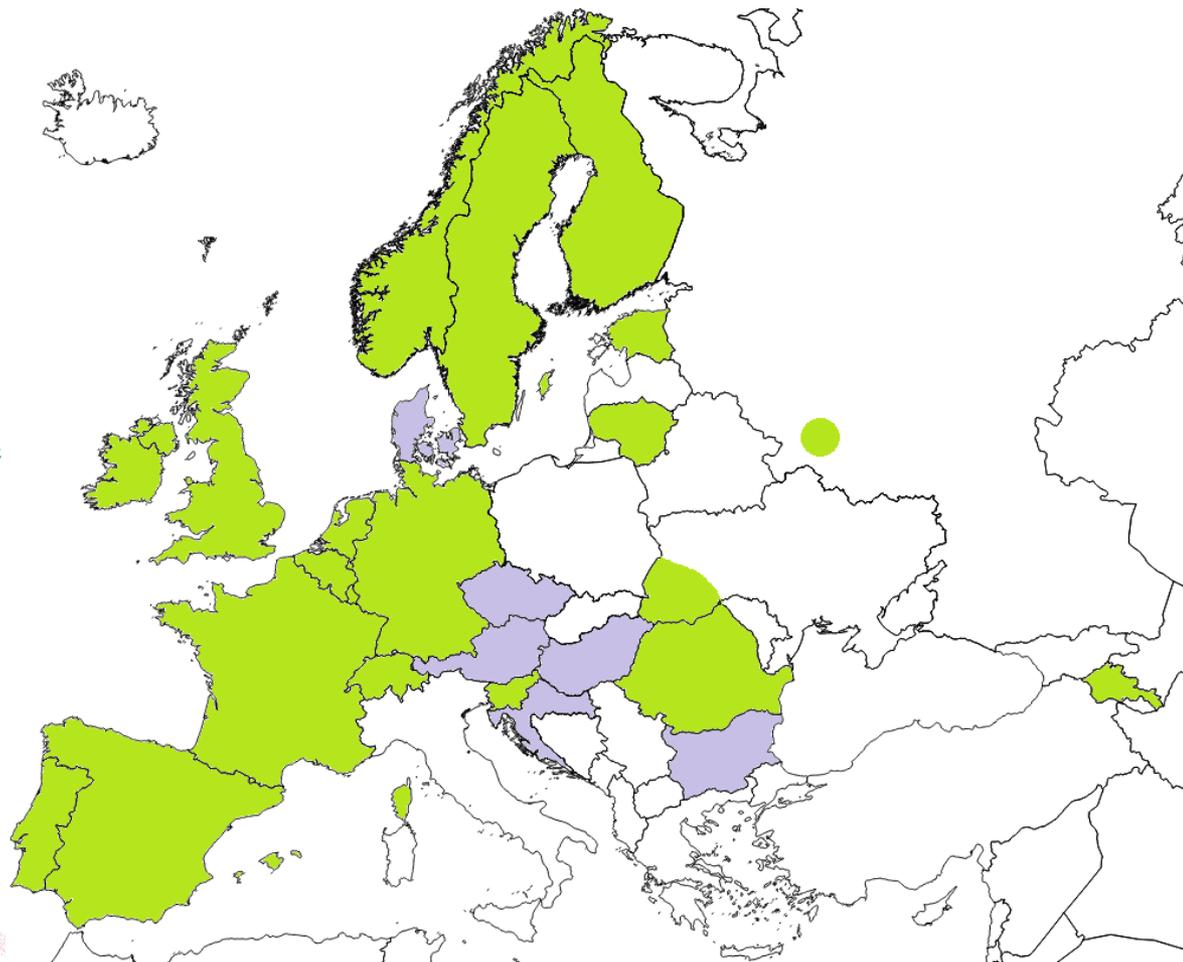


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BMS italiano viene fortemente incoraggiato dalla Butterfly Conservation Europe anche attraverso azioni concrete: il progetto ABLE



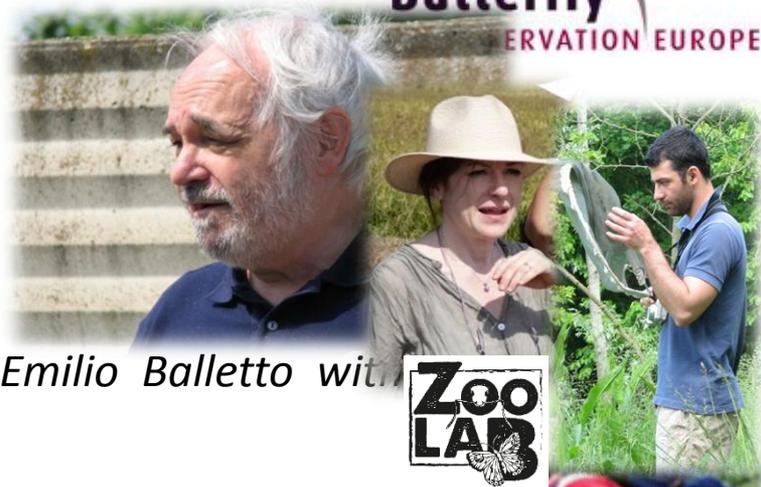
ABLE project
Assessing Butterflies in Europe



BMS si realizza attraverso sinergie già esistenti



<http://www.barcodingitalianbutterflies.eu>



✓ ZOO LAB – University of Turin (*Simona Bonelli & Emilio Balletto with Luca P. Casacci*)

✓ ZEN LAB- University of Florence (*Leonardo Dapporto & Alessandro Cini*)

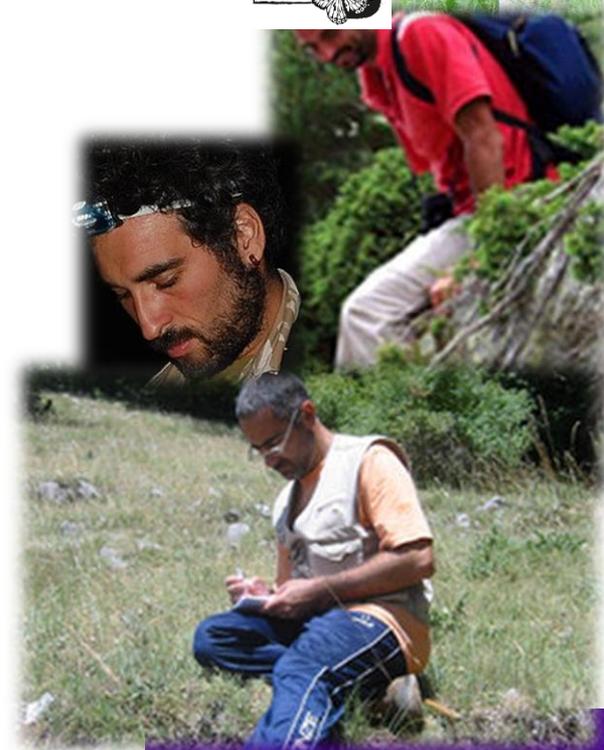


✓ Unità di Ricerca per la Selvicoltura in Ambiente Mediterraneo di Cosenza (CRA-SAM) (*Stefano Scalercio*)

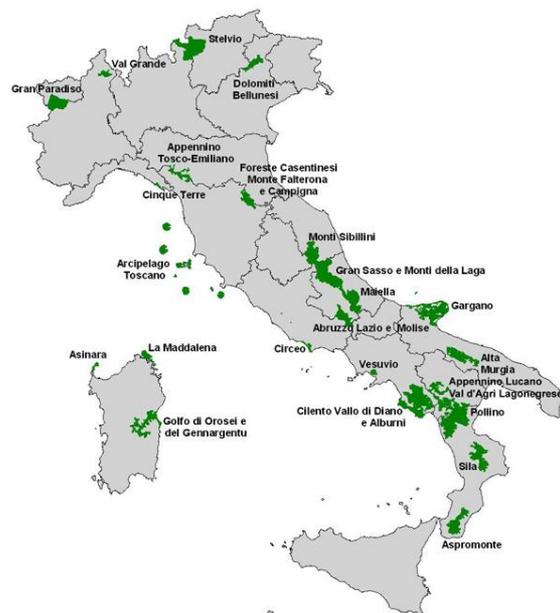
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BMS italiano viene proposto per la prima volta ai parchi nazionali nel 2018



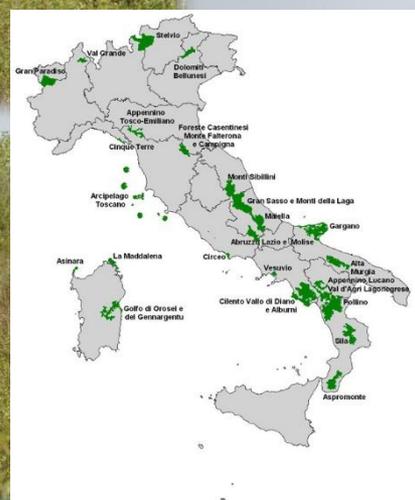
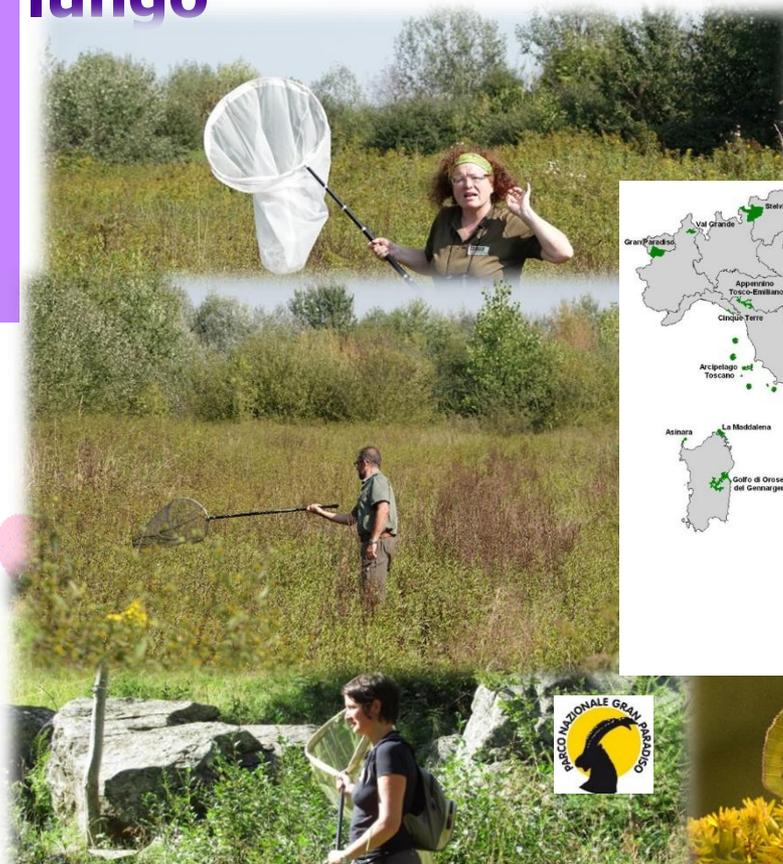
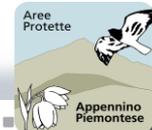
BMS Italia:

- First meeting in March 2019
- Proponiamo l'idea di un transetto per ciascun parco nazionale
- 500 m
- Ciascun transetto replicato ogni 15 giorni da Maggio ad Agosto
- I parchi regionali sono i benvenuti!



Dati opportunistici raccolti in tessuti urbani, agrosistemi e aree ripristinate saranno fondamentali

Il BMS italiano coinvolge in primis le aree protette. I Parchi Nazionali e regionali possono assicurare un monitoraggio a lungo



Il Parco Nazionale del Gran Paradiso è il primo Parco ad unirsi al progetto e a registrare un transetto permanente

Nel 2018 abbiamo lanciato il Butterfly Monitoring Scheme Italiano e nel 2019 grazie al support di ABLE :



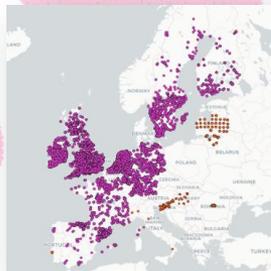
Abbiamo tradotto in italiano la pagina web del Sistema e la app per l'inserimento dei dati

- **Abbiamo organizzato 5 workshop coinvolgendo più di 400 persone**

Abbiamo prodotto 4 mini-guide da campo per 4 differenti regioni che abbiamo testato durante i workshops

- **Abbiamo dedicato molto tempo alla diffusione con i media**

- **Ad oggi abbiamo registrato più di 20 transetti**



Butterfly Monitoring Scheme Italia

Workshop 2019

Italian BMS National Workshop

Italian Butterfly monitoring Scheme started in 2019 with the organization of five Workshops:



1st BMS National Workshop on 21st June located in Sila National Park.

2nd BMS National Workshop on 8th August located in Gran Sasso e Monti della Laga National Park.



3rd BMS National Workshop on 19th July in Gran Paradiso National Park.

4th BMS National Workshop on 7th September in Elba Island (Porto Ferraio).



5th BMS National Workshop on 10th September in Ticino Park.



Il progetto italiano viene selezionato come buon esempio

Profile of a new BMS co-ordinator: Simona Bonelli

An interview with one of the new BMS coordinators in Europe, **Simona Bonelli** from Italy. Simona Bonelli is a biologist with a PhD in agricultural entomology in the Agronomy Faculty and nowadays she is a Professor at the Department of Life Sciences and Systems Biology at Turin University. She tells us what she did preparing and organising the Italian BMS and hopes that the positive results could motivate other countries to join and start a BMS.

The Italian BMS started in 2018 and since then it hasn't stopped growing. Italy is one of the priority countries in the ABE project and, in this interview, we asked to the main coordinator several questions about the creation of a BMS, what was necessary to create it and what was her experience.



How did you start to work with butterflies?

I started 20 years ago when I met **Emilio Balletto**. He is a big expert on Italian butterflies. He was involved in European level initiatives and when Butterfly Conservation Europe (BCE) was created, he was the contact of Italy for many years. Thanks to him I was introduced to BCE and the other butterfly experts of Europe.

After finishing my Postdoc, I came back to the Science Faculty and applied to an open permanent position with Emilio Balletto, focused on butterfly

What do you think is important to start a new BMS?

You have to think carefully about **organisation**. Italy is a big country, and very long. There are differences inside the country, from North to South, from West to East, every region is different from many point of views: habitats, climate, and also people. It is important to cover your entire country (not only one part), and you have to keep in mind, at least in Italy, there are strong regional differences. Italy has differences in heterogeneity of habitats, in terms of climatic conditions, elevations... if you don't think how to manage these differences from the beginning, you will probably fail.

Another important key to overcoming problems was to find people in other parts of the country who were interested, motivated and believed in the project. There were some people on my list, but one was close to retirement. I focused my attention on **Leonardo Dapporto** and **Stefano Scalerio**. I had worked before with them in many initiatives (EU, Red List) and I thought both were good candidates for being Regional coordinators of the Italian BMS. Fortunately, they agreed.



Stefano (in red) talking in the Sila workshop

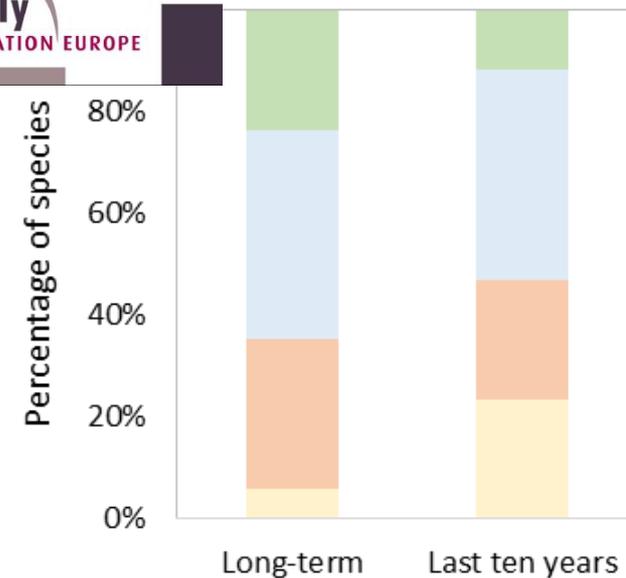
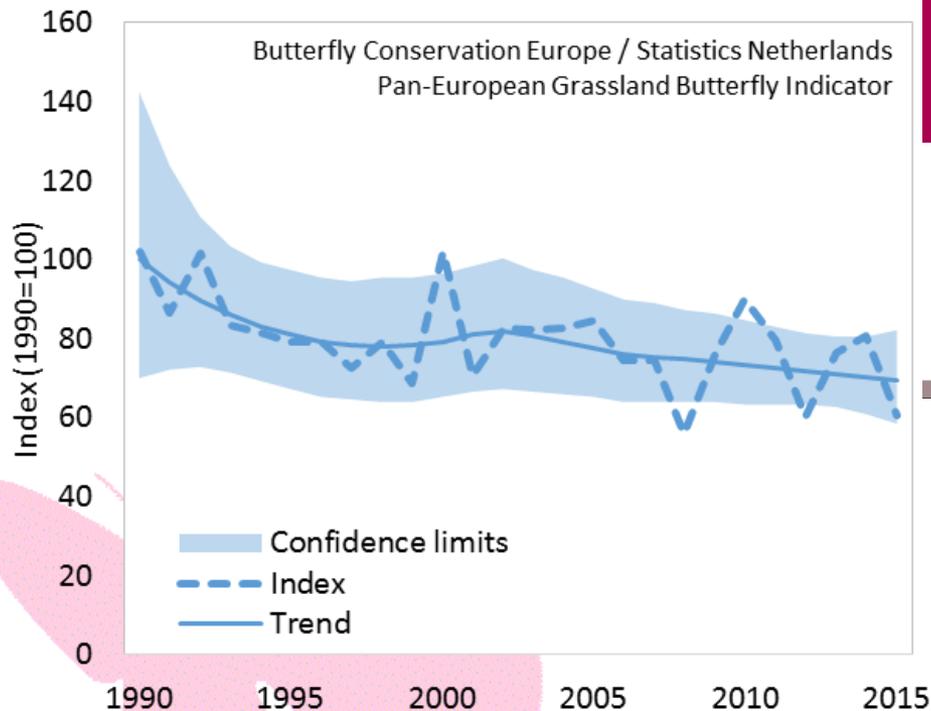


Simona and Leonardo discussing in a workshop



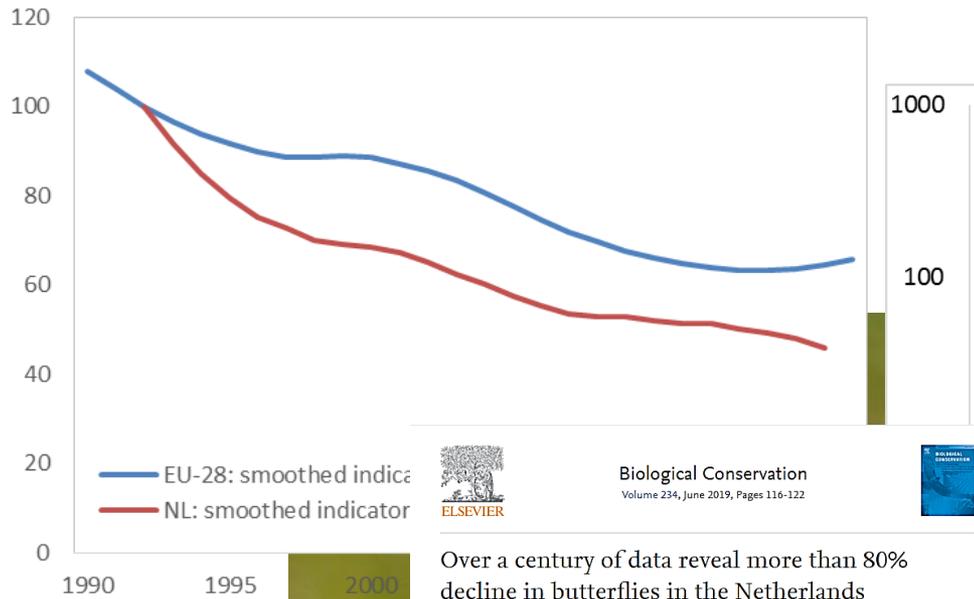
Il prossimo European Grassland Indicator conterrà anche dati italiani

The EU Butterfly Indicator for
Grassland species: 1990-2017
Technical report



■ uncertain ■ decline ■ stable ■ increase

Confrontare trend locali con trend nazionali o regionali



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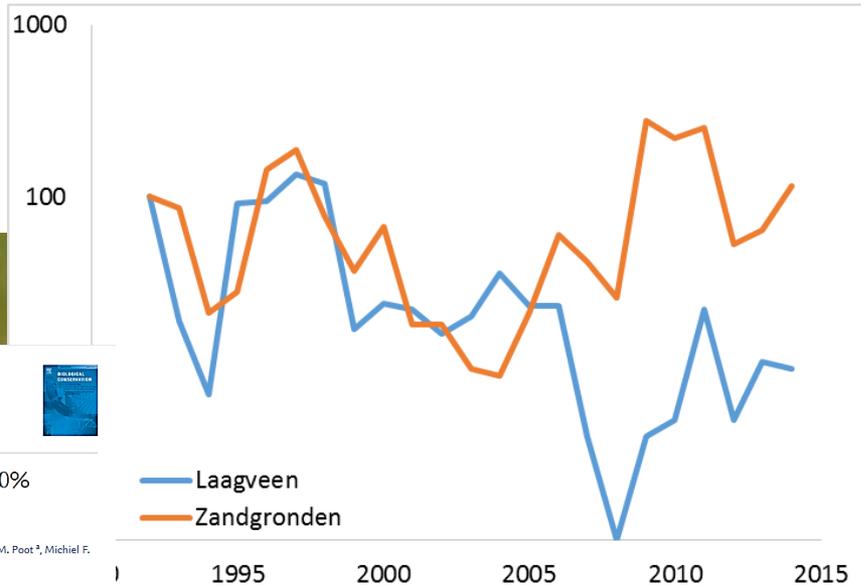
Over a century of data reveal more than 80% decline in butterflies in the Netherlands

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Comparare trend tra habitat differenti di una stessa area
Comparare un'area con il trend nazionale
Comparare località diverse di stesse aree biogeografiche

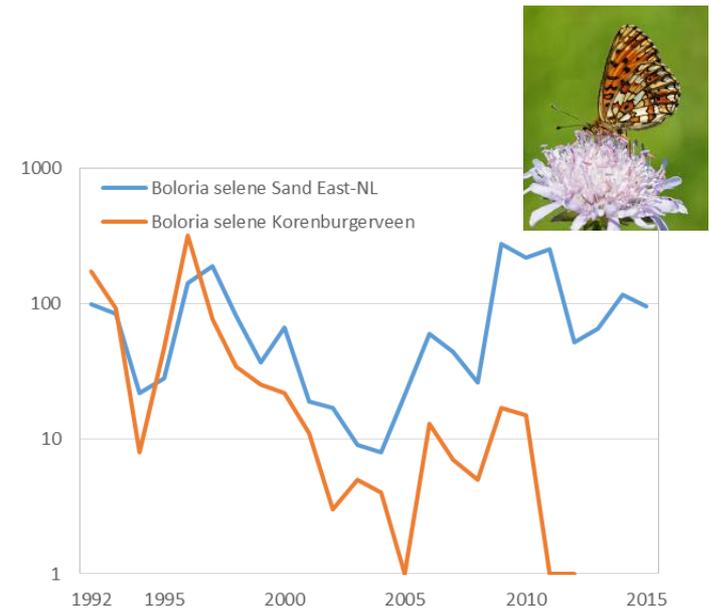
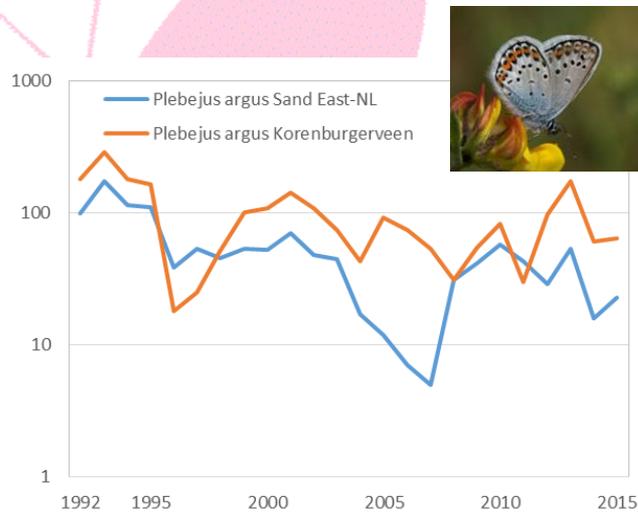
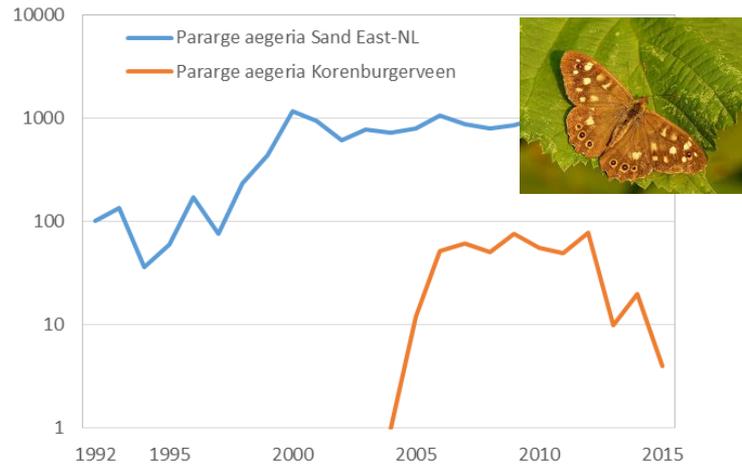


BMS metterà a punto:

- Urban butterfly indicator
- Farmland butterfly indicator



Confrontare trend locali con trend regionali per singole specie



Prossimi passi e nodi cruciali

Produrre il I Butterfly National Indicator for grassland

Avviare percorsi di tutoraggio per le Aree protette, le NGO, gli agricoltori, i privati cittadini, gli student etc.....impegnati in un transetto per aprire e gestire un proprio account, campionare le farfalle, utilizzare la app.....

Organizzare altri 4-5 workshops per coprire il territorio Italiano

Organizzare dei corsi per i volontari che svolgono i transetti per il riconoscimento di gruppi di specie criptiche (ad esempio un corso sul genere *Erebia* per i transetti alpini

Incrementare il numero di transetti



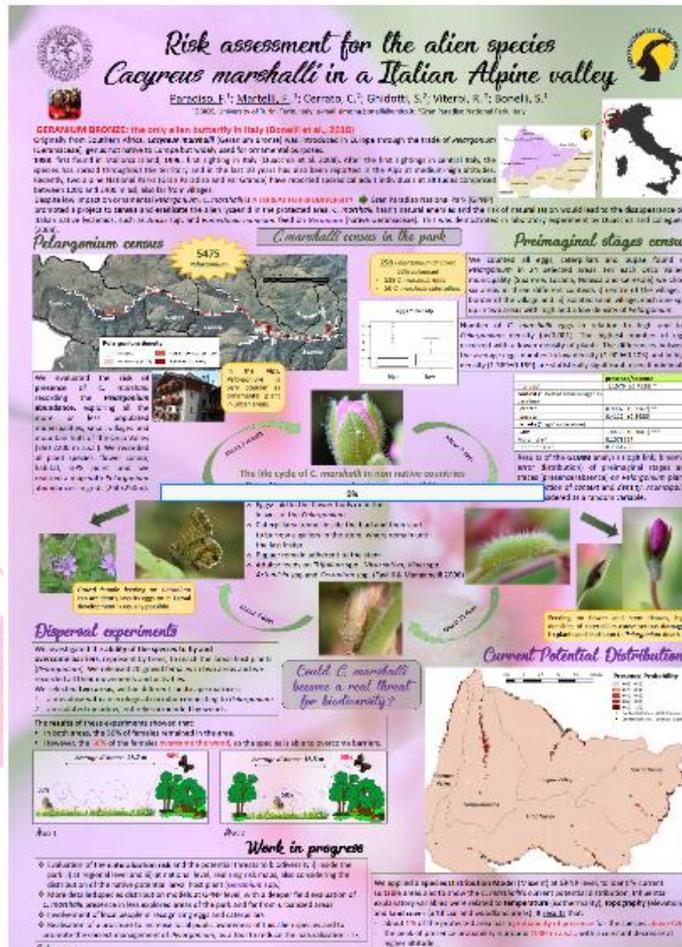
Join and become part of the butterfly
monitoring team



Grazie per l'attenzione

Farfalle diurne: specie aliene

Il licenide dei gerani *Cacyreus marshalli* una minaccia per la biodiversità



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Can the Geranium Bronze, *Cacyreus marshalli*, become a threat for European biodiversity?

Ambra Quacchia · Chiara Ferracini · Simona Bonelli · Emilio Balletto · Alberto Alma

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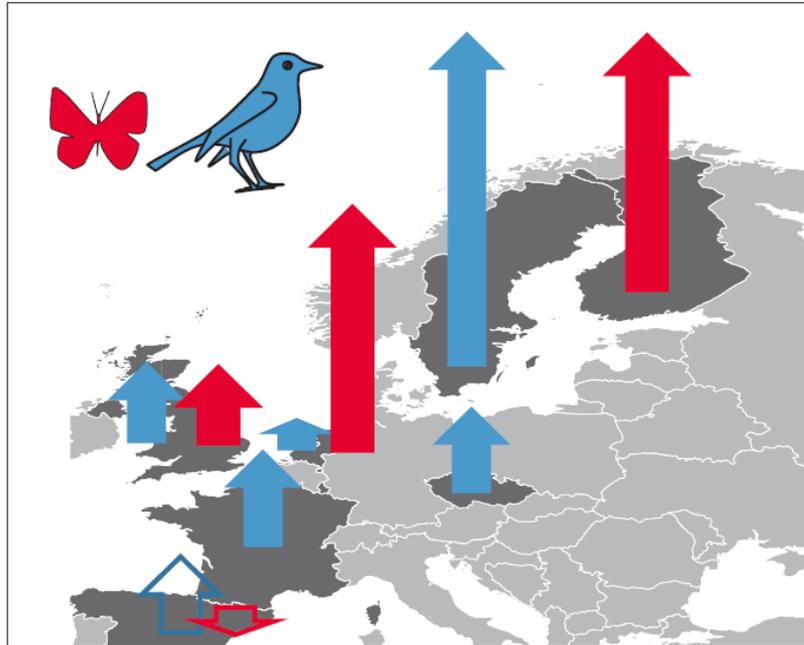


From Africa to the Alps: risk assessment on an invasion by *Cacyreus marshalli* (Butler, 1898)

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Europe: butterfly (and bird) communities shifting rapidly northwards.

Butterflies = 114 km N shift (1990-2008) but 135 km lag behind climate shift

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