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Saker Falcon *Falco cherrug*

A review of existing conservation actions

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How can we summarise existing conservations actions?

- By the main aims:
 - Increase the survival of all age classes – ‘Species protection’
 - Increase resource (nests, mate and food supply) availability – ‘Habitat conservation’
 - Increase Saker Falcon specific knowledge – ‘Research and monitoring’
 - Raising public and stakeholder awareness
- By the location of implementation:
 - In situ/‘on the ground’ or field activities (practical conservation measures)
 - Ex situ/‘indoor’ activities (e.g. policy making, law enforcement or captive breeding and falcon hospitals)
- By their geographic and time scales,
- By their geographic location,
- By their pre-defined priority,
- By their proved or assumed effectiveness.

Material and method

- Sources for listing the conservation actions:
 - International (European) Action Plan for the Saker Falcon
 - SakerGAP national questionnaires
 - Available literature
 - Existing conservation programmes

- Listing by Geographical location Effectiveness

Conservation action	<i>Europe</i>	<i>Asia</i>	<i>Middle East & Africa</i>	<i>Effectiveness</i>
Aim Increase resource (nests, mate and food supply) availability – ‘Habitat conservation’				
Provision of artificial nest boxes and reinforce natural nests	In all range countries	Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Asiatic Russia	NA	High

Place of implementation: in situ/ex situ

Results

Main aim of the action	<i>In situ</i>	<i>Ex situ</i>
Increase the survival of all age classes – ‘Species protection’	3	6
Increase resource (nests, mate and food supply) availability – ‘Habitat conservation’	4	9
Increase Saker Falcon specific knowledge – ‘Research and monitoring’	10	4
Raising public and stakeholder awareness		5
Total	17	42
Grand total	41	

Effective conservation measures

The evaluation of effectiveness should be made on different geographic scales (global, regional, local) and country by country!

Effective conservation actions throughout the breeding range:

Conservation action	<i>Europe</i>	<i>Asia</i>	<i>Middle East & Africa</i>	<i>Effectiveness</i>
Increase the survival of all age classes – ‘Species protection’				
Modification of existing MV powerlines or establishing bird friendly powerlines to decrease the impact of electrocution on SF populations	Bulgaria, Hungary, Slovakia, Russian Federation	Kazakhstan? Mongolia, Asiatic Russia	?	High
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Increase Saker Falcon specific knowledge – ‘Research and monitoring’				
Satellite or VHF tracking to study habitat use, dispersion and migration pattern	BG, H, SK, R, UA	Kazakhstan, Mongolia	UAE	High

Thank you for your attention!

