

Update on the European Roller *by Alex*

- **MME (BirdLife Hungary)** agreed to expanding the framework of their EU LIFE+ project (ROLLER+) to cover the species range, include other countries and bring forward their workshop date to 2017 (ahead of the CMS COP12, so that the international species action - **output of the workshop can be presented to CMS Parties for adoption**).

MME has set up a project board and are **open to including other organisations**. However, they did point out that the EU LIFE+ funds will not cover this expansion. Additional funding is needed.

- **Belarus shared a national species** action plan they had written for the European Roller. This document has been translated into English (from Russian) and is **available**, if needed.

- BirdLife South Africa is interested and willing to join the work on the European Roller.

- SEO (BirdLife Spain) have been satellite tracking European Rollers and are interested in working with others.

- Arocha Portugal and France are doing some studies and conservation work on the European Roller. They are also open to working with others.

Due to the delay with discussions on funding, activities have stalled. However, the interest does remain.