

CURRICULUM VITAE

AND

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

of

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STUDIES - TITLES

University education

- [Degree in Biology .](#) 1987. School of Sciences, Department of Biology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. Grade: 7.36.
- [Doctoral Degree .](#) 1998. School of Sciences, Department of Biology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. Grade: Excellent.

Additional training - Participation in training seminars

- Use of computers in the biological sciences.
Hellenic Productivity Center (ELKEPA).
Period: October 1989 - February 1990.
- Management and exploitation of waste landfills and liquid waste.
Association of Local Government Organizations of Greater Thessaloniki.
Period: September 1990 - February 1991 .

Foreign languages

- English (very good)
- Romanian (very good)
- French (moderate)

EMPLOYMENT

- 1993-1996: Greek Biotope Wetland Center (associate).
 - 1997-2000: Hellenic Ornithological Society.
 - 2001: ETHIAGE – Forest Research Institute, Researcher Trainee.
 - 2006: ETHIAGE – Forest Research Institute, Senior Researcher.
 - 2010: ETHIAGE – Forest Research Institute, Associate Researcher.
 - 2017: ETHIAGE – Forest Research Institute, Researcher A – Research Director.
 - 2024: Acting Director of the Forest Research Institute
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RESEARCH SUBJECT AND INTERESTS

My research interests and activity are related to avifauna and especially bird migration, wildlife interaction with human activities and natural environment management. Specifically, I attempt to contribute to the conservation of rare or endangered avifauna species and ecosystems through research and action for their protection, taking into account human activities.

My research activity can broadly be divided into three categories:

- a) Avifauna in wetland ecosystems
- b) Birdlife in forest or mountain ecosystems and
- c) Impact of birdlife on human activities.

The research in the first category concerns:

- the biology (reproduction, diet) and ecology of specific species or groups of birds belonging to the families of herons (Ardeidae, Threskiornithidae), waterfowl (Anatidae, Phalacrocoracidae) and wading birds (Scolopacidae),
- the investigation of their populations and the change in their numbers over time during migratory or winter periods,
- their distribution and habitat use in the ecosystems they inhabit.

This type of research, which was implemented at a national level (with emphasis on wetlands of Macedonia and Thrace), contributed to further knowledge of the status of these species in our country, and was utilized in studies for the delineation of protected areas and the drafting of special management plans and national action plans. So far, I have participated in at least 15 programs with a relevant subject. The most important of these were:

- a) two programs regarding the study of migration phenology and investigation of the impact of hunting on waterfowl, which were implemented in the period 2004-2008,
- b) an international program related to bird flu and
- c) an international program related to the protection of the most endangered water bird in Europe, the Lesser White-fronted Goose (2011-2017).

The research in the second category mainly concerns bird species that inhabit forest and mountain ecosystems. I had the opportunity to investigate this issue within the framework of a LIFE project of the Greek Biotope Wetland Centre (EKBY) in forest areas in 1996, which included research on species and their populations as well as the preparation of specific management plans. In addition, through my participation in an ETHIAGE project that was ongoing in 2001 when I joined the Forest Research Institute as a researcher. Through this investigation, in addition to the registration of species and populations, I was given the opportunity to “experiment” with management practices that were implemented within

the framework of this project with the aim of conserving certain globally threatened species. Furthermore, I tried to identify and record the impact of human activities on the bird fauna of forest and mountain ecosystems and to present for the first time in Greece a "guide" on what should be taken into account in forest management so that it does not negatively affect bird species.

Since 1999, I have been investigating the impact of fish-eating birds on fisheries, a topic that constitutes the third category of my research interests. The main impetus for this investigation was the complaints of fishermen about the damage caused by some bird species to their "fisheries" that I often heard during my research in wetlands. The first opportunity to start this investigation arose in a working meeting with an expert from England. Then, since 2000, I participated in a pan-European project on the reduction of competition between fishermen and fish-eating birds. With the participation of many researchers from many countries in this project and through the working meetings, I had the opportunity to gain expertise on this topic. In addition, I "took advantage" to further investigate this topic more thoroughly in Kerkini lake through an international project. My research continued until the end of 2008 with my participation in a European project that included collaboration between researchers from many European countries and working meetings with a specific topic each time regarding the problem of the impact of the Cormorants on fisheries and ways to address it in each country. The research on this topic continued, and in the period 2014 – 2015, I participated in a project on cormorants and fisheries in the National Park of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace.

Finally, since 2023 I have been participating in a program assigned to our Organization by FRAPORT Greece that concerns the diet of the Kestrel. This bird species is associated with accidents due to their collision with airplanes. The ultimate goal of the program is the reduction of such accidents at "Macedonia" Airport in Thessaloniki.

Occasionally I also dealt with other categories of wildlife species, e.g. research on a part of the benthic fauna of the Aegean Sea (Echinoderms).

In an effort to contribute to the management of the natural environment from another "battle position", the administrative one, during the period 2017-2022 I participated in the administration of the Kerkini Lake Management Body (as President of the Board in the period 2020-2022)

RESEARCH PROJECTS

A. International competitive projects

Title: "Recording, identification, assessment and mapping of habitats and species of flora and fauna of Greece - NATURA 2000 Program"

Funding: European Union - Ministry of Environment, Public Works and Public Works (LIFE 1994)

Period: 1/9/1994 – 31/1/1995.

Contractor: Goulandris Natural History Museum - Greek Biotope Wetland Center.

Participating institutions: Aristotle University, University of Athens, University of Patras.

Purpose of the program: Collection and analysis of information on the species of fauna, flora and habitats of Greece.

Position: Scientifically responsible for the action related to the collection and analysis - presentation of data on the avifauna.

Job Description: Collection of Greek bibliography concerning bird species and their populations in the most important areas for them in Greece. Analysis and processing of data by region and species.

Results: The results include data on the presence status of each species in each area and their population. They were included in a special database that is part of the NATURE 2000 Database as well as in publications I3 and I4.

A2. Title: "Conservation and Management of Sites of Community Importance in Greece (Directive 92/43/EEC)"

Funding: European Union (LIFE 96, B4-3200/95/851)

Period: February 1996 - December 1996

Contractor: Goulandris Museum of Natural History - Greek Biotope-Wetlands Center.

Participating bodies: Ministry of Environment, Public Works and Public Works, Ministry of Agriculture.

Purpose of the program: Drafting of Special Management Plans for ten protected areas based on the data and information collected in each of them.

Position: Scientifically responsible for the section concerning the avifauna in seven areas of northern Greece (Mount Stratoniko, Mount Itamos, Mount Kato Olympus, Mount Voras, Nestos Straits, Lakes Heimaditida and Zazari and Elatia Forest).

Job Description: I was responsible for recruiting the research team for the study of the avifauna, drafting fieldwork specifications and reports, monitoring the implementation of the project by the members of the research team and drafting the relevant reports namely the special management studies of the seven study

areas. I also undertook the field research in two of the seven areas (Stratoniko Mountain and Lower Olympus).

Results: The program was successfully completed and the results are included in reports numbered M7 and M8.

A3. Title: "Protection of the Slender Billed Curlew (*Numenius tenuirostris*) in Greece»

Funding: European Union (LIFE)

Period: April 1996 - December 1998

Contractor: Ministry of Agriculture

Participating institutions: Greek Biotope-Wetland Center, Institute Royal des Science Natural de Belgium, Federations Associations de Hunters de the EU, Bundesamt fur Nature Conservation, Sea Mammal Research unit.

Purpose of the program: Research to identify and record the most endangered bird species in Europe as well as inform the public (ornithologists, hunters, birdwatchers) about the species.

Position: Member of the research team and author of the final report.

Description of tasks: Research in the Axios Delta, one of the six areas in which the project was implemented. The research included systematic recordings of the number of wading birds during the migratory periods for three consecutive years (1996-1998).

Results: The program was successfully completed, and the results are included in publications M10 and B4 (with updated data). Also, part of the results was presented at two international conferences, in Alexandroupoli and Chiavenna, Italy, see below in the Chapter "Participation in Conferences").

A4. Title: "Protection of the Pygmy Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax pygmaeus*) and Lesser White Fronted Goose (*Anser erythropus*) in Greece»

Funding: European Union (LIFE) NATURE

Period: January 1997 - December 1999

Sponsor: Worldwide Fund for Nature (WWF Greece)

Participating organizations: Hellenic Ornithological Society, Prespa Conservation Society

Purpose of the program: To record the population status and distribution of the two species in Greece. To propose taking management measures for the protection of the two species as well as to inform the residents of the areas where the species under investigation live. To write the National Action Plan for each species.

Position: Scientific manager of the program.

Job description: Drafting specifications for the scientific - research part of the program, finding the working group, monitoring the implementation of the research, drafting reports and writing the National Action Plans for the two species.

Results: The project was successfully completed, and the results are included in the papers numbered H3, H4 and D2 as well as in the popular articles Ia2 and Ib1. The National Action Plans for the Pygmy Cormorant and the Lesser White Fronted Goose were the first plans for avian species in Greece. Due to the international interest of the project and its results, the National Action Plans were published both in Greek and in English.

A5. Title: "Management actions of Special Protection Areas in Greece"

Funding: European Union (LIFE) – Ministry of Environment, Public Works and Public Works

Period: 1998-2003

Contractor: National Agricultural Research Foundation

Participating bodies: -

Purpose of the program: The adoption of specific management protection measures to preserve the population of endangered bird species in seven protected areas.

Position: Member of the research team during the period 2001 - 2003.

Job description: Monitoring of the bird fauna in the areas "Tzena Mountains - Pinovo", "Lake Agra" and "Antichasia - Meteora" - Coordination of the actions of construction and operation of a feeder for carrion-eating birds of prey.

Results: The project was successfully completed, and the results are included in publications E5, Iß8 K3, K4, K7 and K8. The operation of the raptors' feeder on Mount Jena continued after the conclusion of the program by local bodies that participated in the implementation of the program's management actions in the area.

A 6. Title: « Reducing the conflict between Cormorants and fisheries in a pan-European scale (REDCAFE) »

Funding: European Union – 5th Framework Program (Concerted actions).

Period: 2000 - 2003

Contractor: Centre of Ecology and Hydrology (Banchory, Scotland, UK).

Participating organizations: Representatives of 36 organizations from 21 European countries and Israel participated.

Purpose of the program: Investigating the problem of competition between fishermen and fish-eating birds in Europe and searching for methods to address it.

Position: Member of the research team (I was the representative from Greece).

Description of tasks: Collection of all information on the subject in Greece. Gathering information from the literature, interviews, etc. regarding the competition between fishermen and fish-eating birds, especially the Cormorant.

Results: The program was successfully completed and the final report with the results was published in a special report (see electronic address: <http://www.banchory.ceh.ac.uk/redcafe/redcafedocs.htm> as well as in paper Ø5.

A 7. Title: «Integrated Management of European Wetlands - IMEW»

Funding: European Union (5th Framework Program)

Period: 2001-2004

Contractor: Durham University (England)

Participating organizations: Greek Biotope Wetland Center, Kordelio Environmental Education Center, Danube Delta Research and Protection Institute (Romania), Finish Game and Fisheries Research Institute (Finland), Klaipedos University (Lithuania) and National Agricultural Research Foundation.

Purpose of the program: Investigating the way wetlands are managed in each of the participating countries and the role of local communities that are directly or indirectly linked to the wetland.

Position: Scientific responsible for the action that concerned the investigation of the impact of birds on the catches and fishermen of Lake Kerkini.

Job description: Coordination of work and field research for the implementation of the action "Estimation of the quantity of fish consumed by birds in Lake Kerkini".

Results: The project was completed and the results were presented orally at the final workshop held in Durham (England), and included in the report number M12. In addition, part of the results were included in the publication number E3.

A 8. Title: "Conserving Biodiversity - Interdisciplinary Initiative to Reduce pan-European Cormorant-Fisheries Conflicts - INTERCAFE"

Funding: European Union (COST) No. 635)

Period: 2004-2008

Contractor: Centre of Ecology and Hydrology, UK

Participating institutions: Representatives from 28 European countries and Israel. Representatives from two research institutes of ETHIAGE, the Forest Research Institute and the Fisheries Research Institute, participated from Greece.

Purpose of the program: Improving scientific knowledge of the competition between Cormorants and fishermen in an interdisciplinary context, exploring ways to limit the problem and promoting research and cooperation between countries on this issue.

Position: Member of the Program Management Committee and member of a working group WG 2.

Job Description: Collecting information and data on how fishermen and the state in Greece are dealing with Cormorant-Fisheries Conflicts. I actively participated in the project's work in Brussels, Lisbon, Bautzen, Germany and the Po River Delta in Italy. At the last working meeting, I presented the results of the investigation in Greece. Information about the project can be found on the website www.intercafeproject.net

Results: The program completed at the end of 2008 and the final reports were included in work Ø10. For the first time in Greece, the problem faced by fishermen in the lagoons (especially in Thrace and western Greece) was highlighted with specific data and the State and the competent services were informed about it.

A 9. Title: « Influence of the viral proteins of avian influenza virus on the innate immune response of birds - INN FLU»

Funding: European Union (6th Framework Program)

Period: 2008-2010

Contractor: Federal Research Institute of Animal Health (Germany)

Participating institutions: Eight institutions (three universities and five institutes) from six European countries (Germany, France, England, Belgium, Poland and Greece). The institutions participating in the program from Greece were the Department of Veterinary Medicine of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, the National Agricultural Research Foundation – Forest Research Institute (FRI) and the Evros Delta Management Body.

Purpose of the program: The purpose of the "work package" in which Greece participates is to investigate the existence of the virus in wild birds, its resistance to water and various types of sediments (wetland bottoms) as well as the monitoring of the migration of birds that are vulnerable to the virus (aquatic). The purpose of the research undertaken by FRI was to monitor the existence of the virus in certain bird species with emphasis on Whooper Swans and to investigate the origin of aquatic birds wintering in Greece.

Position: Member of the research team. I participated in all phases of drafting the proposal and research plan in Greece in collaboration with the Greek and Belgian partners of the project.

Job Description: Collection of samples from specific bird species (Mute Swans, Coots and Black-headed Gulls) for analysis for avian influenza. The samples were taken from the oropharynx and the larynx, while blood samples were taken from the Mute Swans. Mute Swans and Black-headed Gulls were ringed with metal and colored plastic rings or collars, while systematic monitoring of the change in the number of swans in Lake Kastoria was also carried out.

Results: The program completed normally, and the results are presented in work Ib22 and M20.

A 10 . Title: Safeguarding the Lesser White-fronted goose Fennoscandian population in key wintering and staging sites within the European flyway. LIFE 10 NAT / GR /000638

Funding: European Union (LIFE + 69%, Norwegian Ministry of Natural Resources Management 25%, National participation approx. 6%)

Period: 2011-2017

Contractor: Hellenic Ornithological Society

Participating organizations: Seven organizations from four countries: Greece: ELGO DIMITRA/Forest Research Institute (FRI), Ministry of Environment and Energy. Bulgaria: Bulgarian Ornithological Society. Hungary: Hortobagy National Park, Finland: WWF Finland, National Park.

Purpose of the program: Safeguarding of the Finno-Scandian population of the Lesser White-fronted Goose along its migratory route from Finland and Norway (its breeding areas) to Greece (its wintering area). In Greece, particular emphasis is given to Lake Kerkini and the Evros Delta with conservation and research actions, study of the species' ecology (diet), research on the impact of hunting, management of feeding areas as well as informing hunters about the importance of the species. FRI undertook four actions: A) Investigation of the impact of hunting on the Lesser White-fronted Goose B) Analysis of the Lesser White-fronted Goose's diet, C) Preparation of a management plan and restoration plan for feeding and roosting habitats in the Evros Delta and D) Management of feeding habitats. FRI also participated in the writing of the National Action Plan for the Lesser White-fronted Goose.

Position: Coordinator of the actions of FRI/ELGO DIMITRA

Job description: I was responsible for the coordination of the actions of the Forest Research Institute and the implementation of an action (A3).

Results: Part of the results were presented at national (Λ10, Λ12) and international conferences (Γ4, Γ5, K29), in an article in a scientific journal (A14), in several popular articles (Iβ25, Iβ27, Iβ29) and in an interim report (M24).

A 11. Title: *Great Cormorant counts in the Western Palearctic*

Funding: Aarhus University (Denmark)

Period: January 2012 – June 2013

Contractor: Forest Research Institute (FRI) for Greece)

Participating institutions: A total of 25 countries from Europe, West Asia, the Middle East and North Africa.

Purpose of the program: Cormorant population measurement in the Western Palearctic. The measurements concern the breeding population (measurement of nests in bird colonies) as well as measurement during the wintering period (measurement of birds at roosting sites).

Position: Representative and coordinator of actions in Greece.

Description of duties: a) Coordination of recordings of Cormorant colonies in Greece and counting nests, b) Coordination of recordings of the number of wintering Cormorants at roosting sites.

Results: The program completed normally, and the results were presented in the special edition of the program (article I11), in the popular article Ib26, and in writing at an international conference (K28).

B. National, competitive programs

- B1. Title:** «Identification and evaluation of habitats and investigation of the possibility of their inclusion in the Community network of specially protected areas in application of Article 4 of Directive 79/409/EEC on the conservation of wild birds"

Funding: European Union (ENVIREG)

Period: July - August 1994

Contractor: National Agricultural Research Foundation

Participating organizations: Hellenic Ornithological Society

Purpose of the project: Evaluation of 16 areas that classified as important for birds with a view to their inclusion in a protection status.

Position: Member of the research team and responsible for recording the bird fauna in two areas, Mount Holomontas and the Aliakmonas Straits.

Description of tasks: Field research to record the bird fauna in two areas.

Results: The program was successfully completed and the results are included in the papers numbered M4 and M5.

- B2. Title:** «Importance of natural and anthropogenic habitats for the conservation of populations of endangered wading birds in the Axios Delta"

Funding: General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT), PENED program 1991.

Period: February 1995 - December 1995

Contractor: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki - Research Committee

Participating bodies: -

Position: Research team member

Purpose of the project: Evaluation of the various habitats of the Axios Delta in terms of their usefulness for a group of protected bird species, the herons.

Description of tasks: Field research that included studying the distribution of herons in the research area, recording the feeding activity of certain species in various habitats of the Axios delta (rice fields, freshwater marshes, coastal marshes, etc.).

Results: The program was successfully completed and the results were included in the work number M6 and partially in the work A 10. The research found that the flooded rice fields in the wider area of the Axios delta during spring and summer constitute a very important feeding habitat for the herons that nest in the delta.

- B3. Title:** «Restoration and upgrading actions of the lakeside forest of Kastoria"

Funding: Ministry of Environment, Public Works and Public Works (Program "Sustainable Development")

Period: March 2003 - April 2004

Contractor: Municipality of Kastoria

Participating institutions: National Agricultural Research Foundation – Forest Research Institute

Purpose of the project: Investigation of the problem of the degradation of the lakeside forest of Kastoria and actions for its upgrading.

Position: Program coordinator and scientifically responsible for implementing one of the actions (bird fauna study).

Job Description: Drafting the proposal, defining the research specifications, coordinating and monitoring the field research, delivering reports. Also, field research for the bird fauna (breeding, wintering and migratory) in Lake Kastoria with particular emphasis on the lakeside forest.

Results: The program was successfully completed and the results are included in publications E6, E11, Ib5, L4, L9, M13 and M14.

B4. Title: «Monitoring bird migration using the ringing method and publication of ringing results for birds in Greece»

Funding: Ministry of Environment, Public Works and Public Works (Program "Sustainable Development")

Period: March 2003 - April 2004

Contractor: Hellenic Bird Ringing Center (HBR)

Participating institutions: National Agricultural Research Foundation – Forest Research Institute, Hellenic Ornithological Society.

Purpose of the project: Monitoring the migration of migratory birds, bird ringing and publishing the results of bird ringing in Greece.

Position: Member of the research team.

Description of tasks: Field research with systematic monthly recordings of wading birds in the Axios Delta and bird ringing in the Axios Delta (herons, Black-headed gulls) and Evros Delta (Black-headed gulls and terns).

Results: The project was successfully completed and gave an impetus to research on bird migration using the ringing method, which, although widely used throughout the world for more than 100 years, is rarely applied in Greece. Part of the results were included in articles such as Ib17, Ib18, Ib19, K16.

B5. Title: «Determination of the migration phenology of game birds»

Funding: Ministry of Rural Development & Food

Period: 2004-2008

Contractor: National Agricultural Research Foundation – Forest Research Institute

Participating institutions: Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences

Purpose of the project: Investigation of the arrival and departure period of waterfowl wintering in seven wetlands in Greece. In addition, the investigation of waterfowl movements using the ringing method. With these results, it will be possible to determine with greater precision the period of waterfowl hunting so that it is in accordance with what is defined in the Community Directive 79/409 "on the protection of birds and their habitats".

Position: Scientific Director of the program

Job Description: Defining the research activities, finding the working group in each of the seven research areas, describing the tasks, organizing meetings, monitoring the field research, writing interim reports and the final report.

Results: The project was successfully completed and the results are included in publications C3, E13, Ib13, K5 and M16. It should be noted that the above project was one of the largest projects implemented in Greece regarding birds, one of the longest-running projects implemented in many important bird areas. The results filled a very important research gap for the avifauna in Greece.

B6. Title: "The impact of hunting on game aquatic bird species"

Funding: Ministry of Rural Development & Food

Period: 2004-2008

Contractor: National Agricultural Research Foundation – Forest Research Institute

Participating institutions: University of the Aegean, Department of Environment

Purpose of the project: The program aimed to record the number of hunters in seven research areas and to estimate the number of birds hunted per hunter in each research area. In addition, to investigate the possible lead poisoning that may affect waterfowl from the ingestion of lead shot. The diet of waterfowl (ducks and geese) was also studied in order to investigate the possible impact of waterfowl on agricultural crops.

Position: Scientific manager of the program.

Description of tasks: Finding a working group in each of the research areas, description of tasks (field research), cooperation with forest departments, organization of meetings, monitoring of the field research, writing interim and final reports.

Results: The project was successfully completed. The final report was completed and submitted in June 2009. Part of the results were presented at the 13th Panhellenic Forestry Conference. The results were included in publications A11, B5, E14, K14, K15, K18, Ib21, Ib25, L12, M17, M18 and M19.

B7. Title: "Update of the Red Book of Threatened Vertebrates of Greece"

Funding: Ministry of Environment, Public Works and Public Works (Operational Program "Environment" EPPER)

Period: 2008-2009.

Contractor: Hellenic Zoological Society.

Participating organizations: Hellenic Herpetological Society, Hellenic Ornithological Society, etc. ETHIAGE - IDE contracted with the Hellenic Ornithological Society, which undertook part of the project concerning the avifauna.

Purpose of the project: The collection of data and information on endangered bird species in Greece. The data concerns the distribution of the species, their population (breeding, wintering or migratory), their biology and ecology, the problems they face, etc. This data will be included in the updated edition of the Red Book of Endangered Vertebrates of Greece.

Position: Member of the research team. I undertook the writing of reports on twenty aquatic and wading bird species.

Job description:

Results: The project was completed in March 2009 and the results were included in the final version of the Red Book (task I8).

B8. Title: Assessment of the impacts of the increase in the number of Cormorants *Phalacrocorax carbo* on the fish fauna of the lagoons of the Delta Nestos – Vistonida – Ismarida National Park

Funding: Nestos Delta National Park Management Body, Ismarida, Vistonida

Period: 26/8/2013 – 31/1/2015

Contractor: M. Panagiotopoulou

Participating bodies: Management Body of the Nestos Delta – Vistonida – Ismarida National Park

Purpose of the project: To assess the impact of the cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo* on the fish stocks and the fish fauna of the lagoons of the Delta Nestos – Vistonida – Ismarida National Park. The wintering population of the Cormorant in the area has been found to cause problems in the catches of the extensively managed lagoons. Large numbers of wintering cormorants gather around the wintering basins of the fish and consume quantities of fish/catch. The main objective of the present study is to investigate the extent and magnitude of the potential loss of income of fishermen due to the increased presence of Cormorants. Also, to investigate a solution to address the problem and its experimental application.

Position: Scientific coordination of part of the program.

Description of duties: The participation concerned the coordination of Cormorant measurements throughout the National Park and the collection of emetic concentrates from the roosting sites.

Results: Part of the results were presented in article B7, at an international (K30) and a Greek conference (L13).

B9. Title: Training of the staff of the Amvrakikos Wetlands Management Agency in the bird ringing technique.

Funding: Amvrakikos Wetlands Management Agency

Period: May 2015- June 2016

Contractor: Charalambos Alivizatos

Participating bodies: Amvrakikos Wetlands Management Body

Purpose of the project: Training the staff of the Amvrakikos Wetlands Management Agency in the ringing of passerine and wading birds.

Position: Research team member

Job description: Training staff in bird ringing, recording heron colonies in the National Park.

Results: Reference M25.

B10. Title: Investigation of the degree of impact of the biodiversity of flooded rice fields on the populations of herons and Black-headed Gulls during the breeding season

Funding: OFYPEKA.

Period: 01.02.2021 – 10.12.2022

Contractor: ONE ALPHA OE

Participating bodies: ONE ALPHA OE

Purpose of the project: Recording biodiversity in rice fields of Thessaloniki - Imathia - Pieria and impact on the populations of herons and Black-headed Gulls nesting in the Axios - Aliakmon Delta, study of heron diet, distribution in rice fields and ringing

Position: Scientific coordinator of the program

Job description: My participation concerned the scientific coordination of the program and participation in field research (sampling in rice fields, collection of bird droppings, diet analysis, bird ringing) and writing results and reports.

Results: Part of the results were presented at the conference of the Hellenic Ecological Society (Patras, October 2023).

B11 Title: Ringing of Ratites in the Kerkini Lake National Park and training of the Management Body's staff in the technique of bird ringing

Funding: OFY.PE.KA.

Period: 1.10.2022 – 31.10.2023

Contractor: ELGO DIMITRA

Participating bodies: -

Purpose of the project: The recording, capture and ringing of ratite and non-rat species of birds in Lake Kerkini. Also, the training of the staff of the Central Macedonia Protected Areas Management Unit (Kerkini Branch) in the capture, identification and ringing of birds. The program will contribute to the knowledge of the avifauna of the area and to the understanding of the migration of birds from the area.

Position: Program Coordinator

Job description: Ringing of various bird species (rats, woodpeckers) and training of the staff of the Central Macedonia Protected Areas Management Unit in bird ringing.

Results: The results are expected to be presented at an international conference in 2025.

C. Other international and national, non-competitive programs (with assignments)

C1. Title: «Protection of the globally threatened species *Anser erythropus* (lesser white-fronted Goose) and *Numenius tenuirostris* (Slender billed Curlew) in the Evros delta"

Funding : Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)

Period : October 1987 - May 1988

Contractor: Hellenic Ornithological Society

Participating bodies:-

Purpose of the project: Systematic monitoring of the number of the two species in the Evros delta and actions to inform the public about the identification of the two species, their distribution and the problems they face.

Position: Member of the research team.

Job description: Participation in the recording of the number of aquatic and wading bird species in the Evros Delta.

Results: The program was successfully completed and the results are included in the papers numbered A1, B2 and M1.

C2. Title: "Monitoring program for threats to Greek wetlands"

Funding: Ministry of Environment, Public Works and Public Works

Period: April 1993 - December 1993, April 1994 - December 1995

Contractor: Goulandris Museum of Natural History - Greek Biotope-Wetlands Center.

Participating bodies: -

Purpose of the project: To record the problems faced by Greek wetlands and to investigate ways to address them.

Position: Member of the research team, coordinator of part of the project and author of the final report.

Job Description: Visits to the wetlands under investigation, recording human activities and any problems they cause. Collaboration with local bodies (Prefectures, municipalities, communities, environmental organizations, etc.) with the aim, in collaboration with the National Institute of Wetlands and Hydrology, of mitigating the negative consequences of human activities on wetland ecosystems. In addition, I was responsible for issuing the final report.

Results: The program was successfully completed, and the results are included in the publication number H2.

C3. Title: "Inventory program of Greek wetlands as natural resources"

Funding: Ministry of Environment, Public Works and Public Works

Period: July 1993-December 1993

Contractor: Goulandris Museum of Natural History - Greek Biotope-Wetlands Center

Participating institutions: Kapodistrian University of Athens and Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

Purpose of the program: The detailed inventory of Greek wetlands, the values they present as well as the problems they face.

Position: Member of the main research team.

Job description: Analysis of questionnaires completed by relevant bodies for wetlands in each region, field research and participation in the writing of part of the final report.

Results: The project was successfully completed, and the results are included in a publication of the EKBV (the inventory of Greek wetlands) where I am listed as a member of the main project team.

C4. Title: Transboundary Cooperation in Prespa: Support for the Prespa National Park in Albania ("Transboundary Biosphere Reserve Prespa: Support to Prespa National

Park in Albania ”, with code BMZ - NR 2001 66 785). Subproject: Assessment of the diversity of ratites.

Funding: Ministry of Environment of Albania via Prespa Protection Society.

Period: May 2012 - October 2012.

Participating organizations: Prespa Protection Society, Nature Conservation Consultants (NCC)

Purpose of the project: Assessment of the diversity of passerine birds in the reed beds of Little Prespa on Albanian territory.

Position: Coordinator of the part of the program that concerned the recording of passerine birds in the reed beds of Little Prespa on Albanian territory.

Description of tasks: The assessment of diversity was carried out by capturing and ringing passerine birds in the reeds of the lake. The capture was carried out by placing special nets (mist nets) in the reed beds. The research was carried out in two weekly missions during the breeding and migratory seasons of the birds.

Results: The program was successfully completed, and the results are included in report M 21.

Title : Diatrophic habits of the species *Falco tinnunculus*)

Funding: FRAPORT GREECE

Period: April 2024 – March 2026

Participating bodies: -

Purpose of the program: Investigation of the diet of the Kestrel (and some additional bird species) at the Macedonia airport in Thessaloniki. Based on the data obtained, it will be possible to take measures to remove/control the prey species of these birds so that they are not attracted to the airport area. The ultimate goal is to limit the risk of a bird strike on an aircraft that could cause an accident

Position: Project Coordinator

Job description: Diet analysis, from examination of stomach contents of dead birds

Results: The program is ongoing.

PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCES

(with work presentation)

A. International conferences

1. **Conference Title:** «Waterbird Conservation and Management »

Organizer: Colonial Waterbird Society (USA)

Place and date of realization: Arles (France), 5-10 October 1993.

Participation with a paper presentation: Paper number A2 was presented.

2. **Conference Title:** "The 3rd Wetlands International Goose Specialist Group meeting"

Organizer: Wetlands International, Bulgarian Society for the Protection of Birds, Ministry of Environment of Bulgaria.

Place and date of implementation: Kavarna, Bulgaria. February 5-8, 1998.

Participation with a presentation of work: **Participation in the working meeting of the Anser Specialist Group erythropus Specialist Group** of Wetlands International, as a representative of the program "Protection of the Lizard and the Little Goose in Greece" with a presentation of the first results of the program. (Proceedings not published).

3. **Conference Title:** "International Scientific Workshop on Slender billed curlew"

Organizer: Ministry of Agriculture (Greece), Royal Institute of Natural Sciences (Belgium), German Ministry of the Environment.

Place and date of implementation: Alexandroupoli, 19-21 November 1998.

Participation with a presentation of work: "Monitoring the migration of wading birds in six Greek wetlands". (Proceedings were not published, but part of these results were included in work B4).

4. **Conference Title:** "International Meeting on Wetland Restoration "

Organizer: Hellenic Ornithological Society.

Place and date of implementation: Gytheio, 12-14 November 1999.

Participation with a presentation of work: "Proper use of dredged material from excavations in lagoons in the National Park of Eastern Macedonia - Thrace. (Proceedings were not published but part of these results was included in publications E2 and Iβ3, Iβ6 and Iβ7).

5. **Conference Title:** "International Workshop on the Protection of the Lagoon"

Organizer: Bulgarian Society for the Protection of Birds - Birdlife International

Place and date of realization: Hisar, Bulgaria, June 23-26, 2000.

- Participation with a paper presentation:** The paper number D2 was presented.
6. **Conference Title:** "9th International Congress on the Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent areas"
- Organizer:** Hellenic Zoological Society - National Center for Marine Research
- Place and date of implementation:** Thessaloniki, 22-25 May 2002.
- Participation with a paper presentation:** Papers numbered K1 and K2 were presented orally, while a written presentation (poster) was made of paper numbered K3.
7. **Conference Title:** " Biodiversity conservation and sustainable development in mountain areas of Europe: The challenge of interdisciplinary research »
- Organizer:** European Bioscene Research Project (European Union, 5th Framework Program, DG XII), Aristotelian University.
- Place and date of implementation:** Ioannina, Greece , 20-24 September 2005.
- Participation with a paper presentation:** Paper number K4 was presented orally.
8. **Conference Title:** "Ecology, Conservation and management of Mediterranean Climate Ecosystems" (10th MEDECOS)
- Organizer:** National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (Department of Ecology and Systematics) and International Society of Mediterranean Ecologists .
- Place and date of implementation:** Rhodes (Greece), April 25 - May 2, 2004.
- Participation with a paper presentation:** The paper with number D3 was presented with a written announcement.
9. **Conference Title:** «10th International Congress on the Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent areas»
- Organizer:** Hellenic Zoological Society, Hellenic Ornithological Society, Hellenic Ministry of Rural Development and Food, University of Patras.
- Place and date of implementation:** Patras , 26-30 June 2006.
- Participation with a paper presentation:** Papers numbered K5 and K7 were presented orally, while a written presentation (poster) was made of papers numbered K6 and K8.
10. **Conference Title:** « 1st European Congress of Conservation Biology »
- Organizer:** European Congress of Conservation Biologists.
- Place and date of implementation:** Eger, Hungary , 22-26 August 2006.
- Participation with a paper presentation:** A written presentation (poster) of the paper with number K9 was made.

11. **Conference Title:** "Bird numbers 2007 - Monitoring for conservation and management" (17th International Conference of the EBCC).

Organizer: European Bird Census Council

Co-organizers: Fauna Viva, Centro Italiano Studi Ornithologici, LIPU.

Place and date of implementation: Chiavenna, Italy, 17-22 April 2007.

Participation with a paper presentation: The paper with number B4 (or K10) was presented orally.

12. **Conference Title:** "31st annual meeting of the Waterbird Society »

Organizer: Waterbird Society (USA) , University of Barcelona (Spain) .

Place and date of implementation: Barcelona, Spain, October 30 – November 3, 2007.

Participation with a presentation of work: The work numbered K11 was presented orally and the work numbered K12 was presented in writing.

13. **Conference Title:** "11th International Congress on the Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent areas"

Organizer: Hellenic Zoological Society, University of Crete

Place and date of implementation: Heraklion, Crete , 21-25 September 2009.

Participation with a presentation of work: Work K13 was presented orally and works K14, K15 and K16 were presented in writing (poster).

14. **Conference Title:** 3rd International Eurasian Ornithological Congress

Organizer: University of Aegean (Greece), University of Hacettepe (Turkey)

Place and date of implementation: Myrtilini, Greece , 8-11 April 2010.

Participation with a paper presentation: Papers K17 and K21 were presented orally and papers K18, K19, K 20 and K22 were presented in writing (poster) .

15. **Conference Title:** "8th International Conference on Cormorants", "5th Meeting of Wetlands International Cormorant Research Group "

Organizer: Cormorant Research Group

Locus and date of realization: Medemblik, The Netherlands, 24 - 27 November 2011.

Participation with a paper presentation: The paper K23 was presented in writing (poster).

16. **Conference Title:** 16th International Symposium on environmental pollution and its impact on life in the Mediterranean region

Organizer: Mediterranean Scientific Association of Environmental Protection

Place and date of implementation: Ioannina, Greece, 24 - 27 September 2011.

Participation with presentation work: Heavy metal levels in tissues of wigeon (*Anas penelope*) from the Evros Delta, Greece. (Written presentation, K 24)

- 17 **Conference Title:** "11th International Congress on the Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent areas"

Organizer: Hellenic Zoological Society, University of Athens

Place and date: Athens, 18-22 June 2012

Participation with a paper presentation: Papers numbered K25 and K26 were presented orally and paper K27 was presented in writing (poster).

18. **Conference Title:** "Bird numbers 2013 – 19th International Conference of the European Bird Census Council (EBCC)

Organizer: European Bird Census Council, University of Cluj-Romania

Place and date: Cluj, Romania, 17-21 September 2013

Participation with a paper presentation: Two papers (K28 and K29) were presented in writing (poster).

19. **Conference Title:** "9th International Conference on Cormorants - 6th Meeting of Wetlands International Cormorant Research Group".

Organizer : IUCN & Wetlands International Cormorant Research Group and Croatian Society for Bird and Nature Protection.

Place and date of implementation: Osijek, Croatia, 23-27 April 2014.

Participation with a paper presentation: One paper was presented (poster K30).

20. **Conference Title:** 5th International Conference on Phthiraptera

Organizer: International Society of Phthirapterists

Locus and date: Park City, Utah, USA, 2-7 August 2014

Participation with a paper presentation: One paper was presented (poster K31).

21. **Conference Title:** 15th International meeting of the FAO-CIHEAM subnetwork on Mediterranean Forages and Fodder Crops

Organizer: FAO-CIHEAM

Place and date of implementation: Orestiada, Greece, 12-14 April 2016.

Participation with a paper presentation: Papers D4 and D5 were orally presented.

22. **Conference Title:** 10th International Conference on Cormorants - 1st Meeting of Pelican Specialist Group: " Pelicans, cormorants and fishes: mutual competition or harmonious coexistence?"

Organizer: Cormorant research Group-Pelican Specialist Group - Forest research Institute, Lake Kerkini Management Authority, Society for the Protection of Prespa

Place and date of event: Akritochori, Serres , Greece , 15-19 March 2017

Participation with a paper presentation: Paper K 32 was orally presented and papers K 33 and K34 were written presented.

23. **Conference Title:** 18th Conference of Goose Specialist Group

Organizer: Goose Specialist Group, Klaipeda University

Place and date of event: Klaipėda , Lithuania , 27-30 / 3/2018

Participation with a paper presentation: Paper K35 was presented orally.

24. **Conference Title:** 14th International Congress on the Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent areas" ICZEGAR

Organizer: Hellenic Zoological Society – Aristotle University

Place and date: Thessaloniki, 27-30 June 2019

Participation with a paper presentation: Papers K36 and K37 were presented orally and paper K38 was presented in writing.

25. **Conference Title:** Eurasian Spoonbill International Expert Group meeting

Organizer: ESIEG - Eurasian Spoonbill International Expert Group, University of Osijek, Croatia

Place and date of event: Virtual meeting, 1 Oct. 2021

Participation with a paper presentation: The paper K 39 was presented orally.

26. **Conference Title:** X International Workshop ESIEG 2022, " Strengthen spoonbill network towards Eastern Mediterranean countries".

Organizer: Eurasian Spoonbill International Expert Group, University of Osijek, Croatia

Place and date of event: Zadar Croatia, 3-7 October 2022

Participation with a presentation of work: The work D6 was presented orally

27. **Conference Title:** 15th International Congress on the Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent areas" (ICZEGAR)

Organizer: Hellenic Zoological Society – University of the Aegean

Place and date: Mytilene, 10-14 October 2022

Participation with a presentation of work: The work K 40 was presented orally.

B. National Conferences

1. **Conference Title :** "Management of fishery resources and aquaculture" (9th ^{Panhellenic} Conference of Ichthyologists)

Organizer: Panhellenic Association of Ichthyologists .

Place and date of implementation: Messolonghi, 20-23 January 2000.

- Participation with a paper presentation:** Paper number L1 was presented.
2. **Conference Title:** "Artificial Wetlands and Reservoirs of Crete: Values - Functions - Prospects "

Organizer: Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania, Natural History Museum of Crete.

Place and date of implementation: Chania, March 4-6, 2002.

Participation with a paper presentation: Paper number E2 was presented.

 3. **Conference Title:** "Grassland Management and Development of Mountainous Areas" (3rd ^{Panhellenic} Grassland **Management** Conference)

Organizer: Hellenic Pasture Society.

Place and date of implementation: Karpenisi, September 4-6, 2002

Participation with a paper presentation: **The paper with number E4 was presented orally, while** the paper with number E5 was presented in a written (poster) form.

 4. **Conference Title:** "Developments and the utilization of science and technology in fisheries, aquaculture, and water resources management" (11th ^{Panhellenic} Conference of Ichthyologists)

Organizer: Panhellenic Association of Ichthyologists.

Place and date of event: Preveza, 10-13 April 2003.

Participation with a paper presentation: The paper number E3 was presented orally.

 5. **Conference Title:** "Meadows of lowland and semi-mountainous areas: Lever for rural development" (4th Panhellenic Meadow Management Conference)

Organizer: Hellenic Pasture Society

Co-organizers: University of Thessaly, ETHIAGE, Ministry of Rural Development and Food

Place and date of event: Volos, 10-12 November 2004

Participation with a presentation of work: The work with number E8 was presented orally and the work with number E9 was presented in writing.

 6. **Conference Title:** "Biodiversity and Planetary Change" (2nd Conference of the Hellenic Ecological Society - Hellenic Zoological Society)

Organizer: Union of Greek Ecologists – Hellenic Zoological Society

Co-organizers: University of the Aegean (Department of Environment)

Place and date of event: Mytilene, 18-21 November 2004

Participation with a presentation of work: The work with number E7 was presented orally and the work with number E6 was presented in writing.

 7. **Conference Title:** " Ecology and Biodiversity Conservation" (3rd Conference of the Hellenic Ecological Society - Hellenic Zoological Society)

Organizer: Hellenic Ecological Society - Hellenic Zoological Society.

Co-organizers: University of Ioannina, Department of Environmental and Natural Resources Management, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Southeastern Region of Ioannina.

Place and date of event: Ioannina, 16-19 November 2006

Participation with a presentation of work: Work E10 was presented orally and work E11 was presented in writing.

8. **Conference Title:** "Development of Mountainous Areas - Protection" Natural Environment" (13th ^{Panhellenic} Forestry Conference)

Organizer: Hellenic Forestry Society

Co-organizers: Prefecture of Kastoria, Region of Western Macedonia, General Secretariat of Forests and Natural Environment, GEOTEE.

Place and date of event: Kastoria, 7-10 October 2007.

Participation with a presentation of work: The work with number E12 was presented orally and the work with number E13 was presented in writing.

9. **Conference Title:** "Grassland Management and Protected Areas" (6th ^{Panhellenic} Grassland Management Conference)

Organizer: Ministry of Rural Development and Food - Hellenic Pasture Society

Place and date of event: Leonidio, Arcadia, 2-4 October 2008.

Participation with a paper presentation: The paper number E 14 was presented orally.

9. **Conference title:** Scientific research in the wider area of Lake Kerkini National Park with the aim of managing the Park.

Organizer: Kerkini Lake Management Body

Place and date of implementation: Akritochori, Serres, April 24-25, 2013.

Participation with a work presentation: Papers numbered L10 and L11 were presented orally.

11. **Conference Title:** "7th Panhellenic Ecology Conference "

Organizer: Hellenic Ecological Society

Place and date of event: Mytilene, 8-13 October 2014

Participation with a presentation of work: The work numbered L12 was presented orally and the work numbered L13 was presented in writing (poster).

12. **Conference Title:** "8th Panhellenic Ecology Conference" "150 years of Ecology "Structures, bonds, dynamics and survival strategies"

Organizer: Hellenic Ecological Society, Aristotle University

Place and date: Thessaloniki, 20-23 October 2016

Participation with a presentation of work: The work L15 was presented orally

and written assignments L14 and L16.

13. Conference Title: "9th Panhellenic Ecology Conference"

Organizer: Hellenic Ecological Society, University of Crete

Place and date: Heraklion, October 4-7, 2018

Participation with a presentation: Work L17 was presented orally and works L18 and L19 were presented in writing.

14. Conference Title: "10th Panhellenic Ecology Conference"

Organizer: Hellenic Ecological Society, University of Ioannina

Place and date: Ioannina, October 4-7, 2021 - Online

Participation with a presentation of work : The work L20 was presented orally.

15. Conference Title: 11th Panhellenic Ecology Conference "Ecology in the Anthropocene Era"

Organizer: Hellenic Ecological Society, University of Patras

Place and date: Patras, October 4-7, 2023

Participation with a presentation of work: Papers L21 and L22 were presented orally and paper L23 was presented in writing.

C. Workshops – Working meetings – Seminars

International

1. Workshop title: 1st workshop of the International Working Group on Cephaloudi (*Oxyura leucocephala*).

Organizer: SEO/BirdLife Spain, AEWA, BirdLife International

Place and date: Madrid , Spain , 24-26 October 2016

Guest speaker: Paper K 37 was presented.

2. Workshop title: 1st workshop of the International Working Group on the Copperhead (*Plegadis falcinellus*).

Organizer: Donana Biological Station.

Place and date: Donana , Seville , Spain , 24-26 November 2017

Guest speaker: Paper B 11 presented

National

1. Seminar: " They Surround Us: The World of Birds"

Organization: Kastoria Environmental Education Center

Presentation topic: "Bird migration and how we study it"

Location: Kastoria Environmental Education Center – Kastoria

Date: February 6-8, 2009

The four-hour seminar included a bird ringing demonstration and information on bird migration patterns. It was aimed at teachers of both grades in northern Greece who were teaching environmental education.

2. Workshop: "Protection and management of the Axios, Loudias, Aliakmonas Delta National Park"

Presentation topic : " Birds and people in the delta of the Axios, Loudias and Aliakmonas rivers "

Organization: Rotary Club of Thessaloniki and Management Body of the Axios Delta - Loudia - Aliakmonas National Park.

Area: History Center of the Municipality of Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki.

Date: 14-2-2009.

3. Conference title: Biodiversity and productivity in Lake Pamvotida.

Presentation topic: "The importance of biodiversity"

Organization: Department of Biological Applications and Technologies of the University of Ioannina, Pamvotida Lake Management Body.

Location: "K. Papoulias" Conference Center, University of Ioannina, Ioannina.

Date: January 15-16, 2011.

Guest Speaker: The importance of biodiversity .

4. Seminar Title: Right to Diversity

Organizer: Giannitsa Environmental Education Center

Place and date of event: Giannitsa CCI, Giannitsa, 20-21 May 2011.

Guest Speaker: The importance of biodiversity .

5. Conference title: Restoration of forest ecosystems with the aim of preserving biodiversity.

Organizer: Forest Research Institute – ELGO DIMITRA (LIFE Program VERENIKE), Department of Forestry and Management of Natural Environment and Natural Resources (Democritus University of Thrace)

Place and date of event: Orestiada, April 3, 2013.

Participation with a work presentation: Conserving the Little Goose population in important wintering and staging areas along the European migration route.

6. **Conference Title:** "Fishing tactics and fish-eating birds in a protected area"
Organizer: Amvrakikos Wetlands Management Agency
Place and date: Preveza, March 27, 2014
Guest Speaker: [Management practices applied in aquaculture in Greece and the rest of Europe regarding fish-eating birds](#)
7. **Conference Title:** "Management and protection of pelicans in the Messolonghi National Park"
Organizer: Messolonghi Management Body
Place and date: Messolonghi, March 29, 2014
Guest Speaker: [Cormorants and methods of their control](#)
8. **Conference Title :** "Fishing tactics and fish - eating birds in a protected area" - 2nd workshop
Organizer: Amvrakikos Wetlands Management Agency
Place and date: Salaora Research and Information Center , Arta, May 8, 2014
Guest Speaker: *Competition between fishermen and cormorants in Europe and Greece.*
9. **Conference Title:** The Dwarf Goose in Greece
Organizer: Management Body of the National Park of East Macedonia - Thrace
Place and date: Porto Lagos, Xanthi, June 13, 2014
Guest Speaker: Presentation of the results of the LIFE + Safeguard programme action LWfG entitled 'The hunting of waterfowl in the Evros Delta', to employees of the Forest Service and the Protected Areas Management Bodies.
10. **Title :** Educational Seminar on the identification of the Dwarf Goose and the practice of hunting
Organizer: a) Lake Kerkini National Park Management Body
b) Management Body of the Regional Administration of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace
c) Evros Delta National Park Management Body
Place and date: a) [Kerkini Lake Information Center , Kerkini, 20 November 2014 .](#)
b) Porto Lagos, Xanthi, December 3, 2014
c) Evros Delta Information Center , Loutra Traianoupolis, Evros, December 4, 2014
Guest Speaker : [" Hunting of waterfowl and their populations"](#).
11. **Conference title:** " The Feathered Delta - Ornithological Meeting on the Evros Delta"
Organizer: Evros Delta National Park Management Body

Place and date of event: Alexandroupoli , 20-21 October 2015

Guest Speaker: [The change in the number of wintering waterbirds in the Evros Delta during the period 1968-2015](#) .

12. Conference title: " The Dwarf Goose and the Buffaloes at Lake Kerkini"

Organizer: Kerkini Lake National Park Management Body, AGROETAK – ELGO DIMITRA program

Place and date of event: Kerkini , November 18, 2015

Guest Speaker: [The Dwarf Goose in Europe](#)

13. Workshop title: The forest in education

Organizer: Livadi Environmental Education Center

Place and date of implementation : Livadi, Thessaloniki, 11/11/2023

Guest speaker: A presentation on bird migration was presented

D. Participation in international scientific meetings

These include those carried out within the framework of research programs and COST programs.

1. Annual meeting of participants in « Reducing » program the Conflict between Cormorants and fisheries on a pan-European scale". Lelystad (Netherlands), 16-20 October 2001.
2. Annual meeting of participants in project "Reducing the Conflict between Cormorants and fisheries on a pan-European scale". London , 21-25 November 2002.
3. Final meeting of the participants in the program: "Integrated Management of European Wetlands - I ME W ». Durham (England), 31 August - 4 September 2003. Presentation of results of the research carried out in Greece. The paper with number M12 was presented.
4. 1st meeting work in frame of COST 635 project "Conserving Biodiversity - Interdisciplinary Initiative to Reduce pan-European Cormorant-Fisheries Conflicts - INTERCAFE" on Brussels, Belgium, 20-21 September 2004.
5. 2nd meeting work in frame of COST 635 project "Conserving Biodiversity - Interdisciplinary Initiative to Reduce pan-European Cormorant-Fisheries Conflicts - INTERCAFE" in Lisbon, 26-29 January 2005.
6. 3rd meeting work in frame of COST 635 project "Conserving Biodiversity - Interdisciplinary Initiative to Reduce pan-European Cormorant-Fisheries Conflicts – INTERCAFE" in Bautzen – Dresden, Germany , 1-3 October 2005.
7. 5th meeting work in frame of COST 635 project "Conserving Biodiversity - Interdisciplinary Initiative to Reduce pan-European Cormorant-Fisheries Conflicts - INTERCAFE" in Arbarella , Italy . September 2007. Presentation work : S. Kazantzidis and Em. Koutrakis: "The conflict between fisheries and cormorants in Greece" which

included a summary her status in the Greece with updated data of work M 12 and Q 3.

8. 2nd meeting work of everyone of parts of « Influence » program of the viral protein of avian influenza virus on the innate immune response of birds - INN FLU » in Baths Traianoupolis Evros, 22 -26 January 2009. I presented the first results of the part of the program that was implemented in Greece.
9. Participation in the annual meetings of the LIFE program: Kerkini (November 2011), Evros Delta (January 2013), Hortobagy (Hungary) (April 2015), Evros Delta (January 2016).

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- A 3 . **KAZANTZIDIS S.**, H. HAFNER and V. GOUTNER. **1996**. Comparative breeding ecology of Little egret (*Egretta g. garzetta*) in the Axios Delta (Greece) and the Camargue (France). [*Revue Ecologie \(Terre Vie\)* 51: 313-327](#) . (IF: 0.28).
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- A 5 . **KAZANTZIDIS S.** and V. GOUTNER. **2005**. The diet of nestlings of three Ardeidae species (Aves, Ciconiiformes) in the Axios Delta, Greece. [*Belgian Journal of Zoology* 135 \(2\): 165-170](#) . (IF: 0.87).
- A 6 . PAPAKOSTAS G. , **S. KAZANTZIDIS** , V. GOUTNER and IR. CHARALAMBIDOU. **2005** . Factors affecting the foraging behavior of the Squacco Heron. [*Waterbirds* 28 \(1\): 28-34](#). (IF: 0.87).
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- M27. **KAZANTZIDIS S. 2023.** Ringing of Ratites in the Kerkini Lake National Park and training of the Management Body's staff in the technique of bird ringing/Results of ringing of ratites and non-ratites. Report of Phase C results. ELGO DIMITRA/Institute of Forest Research. Thessaloniki. 26 pp.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION

GUEST AUTHOR IN A BOOK

- Θ 1. **KAZANTZIDIS S. & M. ANAGNOSTOPOULOU. 1996.** Lake Koronia. (vol. II). *In* : Morillo C. and J. L. Gonzalez (editors) . *Management of Mediterranean Wetlands. Case Studies (1-4).* Med. Wet. - Ministerio de Medio Ambiente (Spain). pp. 67-81 .

REVIEWER OF WORKS IN INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS

Periodically SCI

1. Journal of field Ornithology (2008, 2013 , 2022)
2. Journal of Biological Research – Thessaloniki (2006, 2007, 2010 , 2011)
3. Turkish Journal of Zoology (2007, 2008)
4. Italian Journal of Zoology (2012, 2014)
5. Waterbirds (USA) (2013)
6. Journal of Ornithology (Germany) (2014, 2022)
7. International Journal of Ecology (2015)
8. Comptes Rendus Biologies (France) (2016)
9. Pakistan Journal of Zoology (2019, 2023)
10. J. Peer (2020)
11. Mediterranean Marine Science (2022)
12. Journal of Nature Conservation (2023)

Other scientific journals

1. Web Ecology
2. New Western Journal of Zoology (Romania) 2012
3. Ekoloji – Journal of Environment (Turkey) (2010, 2013)
4. Parnassiana archives (2020, 2021)

MEMBER SCIENTIFIC COMMISSION INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

1. Member of the Scientific Committee of the [3rd Eurasian Ornithological Congress](#) held in Mytilene, 8-11 April 2010 -
2. Organizing and Scientific Committee of the 10th International Conference on Cormorants/ 1st Meeting of Pelican Specialist Group: *Pelicans, cormorants and fishes:*

mutual competition or harmonious coexistence ? Cormorant Research Group, 15 - 19 March 2017, Akritochori, Lake Kerkini National Park, Greece. The conference was organized by the Forest Research Institute in collaboration with the Lake Kerkini Management Authority and the IUCN International Specialist Group on Cormorants and Pelicans .

CHAIR AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

1. Chair of a section at the 10th^{International} Conference of Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent Areas ([10th ICZEGAR](#)), Patras, Greece, 2006.
2. Chairman of a section at the [3rd Eurasian Ornithological Congress](#) held in Mytilene, 8-11 April 2010.
3. Chairman of one unity on the 13th International Conference of Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent Areas (13th^{ICZEGAR}), Athens, Greece, 2012.
4. Chairman of one unity on the 14th International Conference of Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent Areas (14th^{ICZEGAR}), Thessaloniki, Greece, 2019.
5. Chairman of one unity on the 15th International Conference of Zoogeography and Ecology of Greece and adjacent Areas (15th^{ICZEGAR}), Mytilini, Greece, 2022.

MEMBER OF INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES, ORGANIZATIONS AND WORKING GROUPS

1. Heron Specialist Group (International Heron Specialist Group).
2. Cormorant Specialist Group (International Cormorant Specialist Group).
3. Storks, Ibis, and Spoonbills Specialist Group (International) Group Specialists for their storks, ibis and stilts).
4. Member her Administrative Commission and member group work of COST 635 project ["INTERCAFE: Conserving Biodiversity - Interdisciplinary Initiative to Reduce pan-European Cormorant-Fisheries Conflicts"](#). Period : 2004-2008.
5. Member her Team Work and representative from the Greece in International Plan Action for the Chouliaromyta *Platalea leucorodia* which issued the "International Single Species Action Plan for the Conservation of the Eurasian Spoonbill *Platalea leucorodia*. AEWA Technical Series No 35. 2008. 60 p. + annexes. http://www.unep-awea.org/sites/default/files/publication/ssap_eurasian_spoonbill_ts35_text_0.pdf

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

REVIEWER OF WORKS IN NATIONAL JOURNALS AND CONFERENCES

1. Geotechnical Scientific Topics (2001, 2002, 2003).
2. Participation in reviews of papers presented at national conferences of the Hellenic Pasture Society (2008, 2024) and the Hellenic Forestry Society (2013, 2015, 2023, 2024).

PARTICIPATION IN SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEES / SCIENTIFIC COUNCILS / CONFERENCE COMMITTEES, etc.

1. Member of the Advisory Committee for the licensing of the operation of Wildlife Care Centers (KEPEAP) of the Ministry of Rural Development and Food during the periods 2007-2010, 2011-2014, 2014-2017 and 2022-2025 (Government Gazette 539/18.12.2007, no. prot. 115127/12414-11-2011 document of the Directorate of Aesthetic Forests, Wilderness and Game of the Ministry of Rural Development , **Government** Gazette 330/06.06.2014 and Government Gazette 4744/08.09.2024).
2. CITES Scientific Committee (Trade in Wild Fauna and Flora) of the Ministry of Rural Development and Food. Period: 2008-2010 ([Government Gazette 539/18-12-2007](#)), 2011-2013 ([ADM: 4AΛΘ0-Y](#)) , 2014-2016 ([Government Gazette 330/6-7-2014](#)), 2017-2020 (Government Gazette 255/31-5-2017).
3. Member of the Scientific Committee of the Axios - Loudias - Aliakmonas Delta Management Body (2010-2012).
4. Member of the organizing committee of the 8th ^{Panhellenic} Ecology Conference (Thessaloniki, 20-23 October 2016).
5. Natura 2000 sites , species, habitats, and ecosystems in Greece" (LIFE 16 IPE / GR /002) (A.P. YPEN/DDFPB/22292/968/18/4/2018)
6. Alternate member of the NATURE 2000 Committee: 2021-2023 (Government Gazette 495/04.07.2020) and 2024-2026 (Government Gazette 408/24.04.2024)
7. Member of the Scientific Council of the Forest Research Institute (2018-2020)
8. President of the Scientific Council of the Forest Research Institute (2020-2022 and 2022-2023 (Decision of the Board of Directors of ELGO DIMITRA with topic number 16 of the 16th ^{Meeting} 15.11.2022)

PARTICIPATION IN BOARDS/MANAGEMENT POSITIONS

1. Member of the Board of Directors of the Management Body of the Axios Delta National Park Loudias Aliakmonas (Government Gazette 918/04.07.2003).
2. Alternate member of the Board of Directors of the Management Body of the Axios Delta National Park Loudias Aliakmonas in the period 2003-2005, alternate member in the period 2006-2008 ([Government Gazette 65/7-11-2006](#)) and regular from 2013-2016 ([Government Gazette 918/4-7-2013](#)) .
3. Member of the Board of Directors of the Kerkini Lake Management Body (Government Gazette 329/10.07.2013) which was renewed for the period 1/1/2016 – 31/12/2016 (Government Gazette 143/I/9-11-2015 article 36).
4. Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Kerkini Management Agency from 5-7-2017 to 09.01.2019 (Government Gazette 325/5-7-2017) from 10.01.2019 to 31-12-2021 (Government Gazette 7/10-1-2019).
5. Deputy Director of the IDE (2023) (Subject number 08 Decision of the Board of Directors of the 15th ^{Meeting} 31.10.2023)
6. Acting Director of the IDE (2024 – present) (Topic number 13 Decision of the Board of Directors of the 17th ^{Meeting} 21.12.2023)

PARTICIPATION IN UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES (THESES)

1. Member of the seven-member evaluation committee of seven (7) doctoral theses at the Universities of: Ioannina (2), Patras (3), Athens (1) and Crete (1):
2. Member of the three-member evaluation committee of four (4) postgraduate theses at the Universities of: Aristotle (1) and Ioannina (3) and one Postdoctoral:

PARTICIPATION IN UNIVERSITY JUDGMENT COMMITTEES (ELECTORAL)

Regular member of the 11-member review committee for filling nine Professor positions at Universities:

Ionian :

- Department of Environmental Technologists of the Technical University of the Ionian Islands regarding the announcement of a position of Assistant Professor, with the subject of " [Management of protected areas with emphasis on terrestrial fauna - spatial analysis of the natural environment](#) " December 2014.
- Department of Environmental Technologists of the TEI of the Ionian Islands regarding the announcement of one (1) position of [Professor of Applications of the TEI of the Ionian Islands. 2015.](#)

- Department of Environment, one position of Associate Professor, with the subject of "[Management of protected areas with emphasis on terrestrial fauna - spatial analysis of the natural environment](#)" 2020.
- Department of Environment, one position of Professor, with the subject of "[Management of protected areas with emphasis on terrestrial fauna - spatial analysis of the natural environment](#)" code APELLA: APP37560 (2024) .

Patras :

- Polytechnic School, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, position of Associate Professor with the subject of "Management and Conservation of Natural Resources". 2015.

International University of Greece :

- Department of Forestry and Natural Environment of the School of Geotechnical Sciences, position at the rank of Professor with the subject area "Wildlife Management" (position code 26016).

Democritus:

- Department of Forestry and Environmental and Natural Resources Management, one position at the rank of Associate Professor with the subject area "Ecology and Wildlife Management" (2023).

Ioannina :

- Department of Biological Applications and Technologies one position at the level of Professor with a subject area Conservation and Management of Biodiversity (2014).

Aristotle:

- Department of Forestry and Environmental Management, one position at the level of First-Class Professor, in the subject "Wildlife Ecology and Management (2021).

3. Regular member of the five-member evaluation committee for filling three Researcher positions at the Forest Research Institute with fields of knowledge
 - "Livadoponia": One position of Delegate and one position of Principal Investigator at the IDE
 - "Wildlife": a Principal Investigator Position at the IDE

MEMBER OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES, ASSOCIATIONS, ETC.

1. Hellenic Ornithological Society (Board member 2000-2004)
2. Hellenic Bird Ringing Center (Founding member, Vice President of the Board 2023-2025)
3. Hellenic Zoological Society (member)
4. Hellenic Ecological Society (member)

OTHER ACTIVITIES AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

A) Teaching

- Adjunct teaching of General Zoology laboratories. Aristotle University, School of Sciences, Department of Biology, Zoology Division.
Period: 1988 - 1990.
- Instructor at the 2nd and 3rd Vocational Training Institute (IEK) of Thessaloniki, in the department "Curators-tour guides of National Parks and recreation areas". Teaching the course "Biology-ecology of wild animals".
Period: March 1994 - June 1995.
- Trainer in the training program for executives of the Delta Axios - Loudia - Aliakmonas and Koroneia - Volvi Information Centers.
Organization: Thessaloniki Development Company
Period: May 1998.
- Trainer in the Vocational Training Program "Management and promotion of nature protection areas".
Organization: KEK "Technical Education"
Period: April - May 1999.

B) Training of executives of protected area management bodies

Participation, upon invitation, in the 2nd training seminar for staff of Protected Area Management Bodies " [Scientific](#) & Technical Training for Monitoring in the Habitats and Terrestrial & Aquatic Fauna sectors" on the topic: " [Monitoring of bird populations. Kerkin Lake National Park 30/11/2013 - 08/12/2013 \(Ministry of Foreign Affairs / E.Y.S.P.E.D.\)](#)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- **Bird ringing**

I am a bird ringer licensed by the Ministry of Rural Development and Food and a ringer ID from the Hellenic Bird Ringing Center and I systematically ring passerine species, herons, etc. To date, I have ringed more than 12,000 birds both in Greece and abroad (Albania, Belgium, Ukraine, Russia). Some of them have been re-sighted. The longest-lived rediscovery of a bird I ringed was a White Egret ringed at the Axios Delta in 1989 and was found in Niger after 17 years, while Mute Swans ringed in Siberia were found in southern China and Greece (see related articles).

- **Nature photography**

I am an amateur nature photographer. My photographs are included in many publications and albums as well as in exhibition spaces. Specifically, they are included in the albums: 1) "Greek wetlands" (edition coordinators: Gerakis P. A. and M. Koutrakis - Publications of the Commercial Bank of Greece), 2) "The other Greece" (edition coordinator Kostas Vasilakis - LIVANI Publications), 3) "Birds of the Aegean" (Hellenic Association of Greece Publications), 4) "Mavropetritis – the falcon of the Aegean" (Hellenic Association of Greece Publications) as well as in information brochures for the Axios Delta and Koroneia – Volvi wetlands.

- **Participation in short films - documentaries**

I was a **scientific advisor for the short film** "Rite of Spring" directed by Giorgos Kourmouzas, screened at the Drama Short Film Festival and received an award. I was also the scientific advisor for the documentary "If He Were a Musician" which was screened at the Thessaloniki Documentary Festival (March 13 and 15, 2006) directed by Giorgos Kourmouzas. The two films refer to the colonial life of Ashtoreth in Scholari, Thessaloniki, and in the Forest of Apollonia, at Lake Volvi.

RESUME

STUDIES AND PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

I am a graduate of the Department of Biology of the School of Sciences of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and a PhD candidate in the Department of Biology of the same university. I have worked as a freelancer - researcher and collaborator of research institutions and environmental organizations for at least eight years (1993-2000). In 2001, I joined the research staff of the Forest Research Institute of ETHIAGE as a Research Associate. In 2006, I was promoted to Associate Researcher, in 2010 to Associate Researcher, in 2017 to Research Director. Since 01.01.2024, I have been acting Director of the Forest Research Institute.

KNOWLEDGE OBJECT AND RESEARCH ACTIVITY

My research activity mainly concerns avifauna.

RESEARCH PROGRAMS

International (11 programs)

- Scientifically responsible for one (1) international, competitive program.
- Scientifically responsible for a department of five (5) international, competitive programs and one by assignment.
- Research team member of five (5) international, competitive programs

National (11 programs)

- Scientifically responsible for three (3) national, research, competitive programs.
- Scientifically responsible for a part of the program in one (1) competitive program.
- Member of the research team in seven (7) national, competitive research programs.

In addition, I participated as a member of the research team in five programs (mainly assignments) as well as in six studies (mainly environmental impact studies) in collaboration with consulting firms.

CONFERENCE

I participated with a work presentation at:

- Twenty- seven (27) international conferences in which I presented (oral or written) 42 papers.
- Fifteen (15) national conferences in which I presented (oral or written) eighteen (23) papers.

- Fifteen (15) one-day, two-day or seminars (both international) in each of which I participated with a presentation.
- I also participated in at least thirteen (13) international scientific meetings held within the framework of programs.

PUBLICATIONS

To date (2024), in addition to my doctoral thesis, I have published additional ... scientific papers in international and national journals, in proceedings of international and national conferences (full proceedings or abstracts), publications, program reports, studies, articles in the daily and periodical press. In detail, I have published:

- Fourteen (26) papers in international SCI journals with a total Impact Factor (IF) 37.84. In ten (10) of these I am the first author, in one the sole author, in five (5) the second author, in two (2) the third author, in one (1) the fourth author, and so on.
- Eleven (11) papers in international journals with non- SCI referees . In one of them I am the sole author, in three (3) first, in three (3) second, in three (3) third and so on.
- Three (3) papers in national journals after the crisis. In one (1) I am the first author, in one (1) the second and in the other the sixth (last).
- Six (6) papers in international conference proceedings. In one (1) I am the first author, in three (3) I am the third and in one (1) I am the ninth author (last).
- Fourteen (14) papers in national conference proceedings. In six (6) of them I am the first author, in five (5) I am the second, in two (2) I am the third and in one (1) I am the fourth.
- One (1) textbook for students of the "Curators - Guides of National Parks and Recreation Areas" department of the Vocational Training Institutes (IEK).
- I have edited or coordinated the publication of nine (9) books. In one (1) of these I am the sole author, in four (4) I was the first author, in one (1) I was the second author and in two (2) I was the third author.
- Thirteen (13) papers were included in books. Seven (7) are in international publications (six in English and one in Spanish). In seven (7) of them I am the sole author, in one (1) I am the first, in two (2) I am the second and in one (1) I am the third.
- Thirty-four (36) articles in the daily and periodical press. In the majority of these articles (31) I am the sole or first author.
- Forty -two (42) papers in proceedings of international conferences. In twenty (20) of these I am the first author, in eleven (11) the second, in four (4) the third, in two (2) the fourth, in one (1) the fifth and in two (2) the sixth.
- Twenty-three (23) papers in the proceedings of national conferences. In ten (10) of them I am the first author, in ten (10) I am the second, in one (1) I am the third, and so on.
- Twenty-seven (27) papers include results of research carried out within the framework of research programs. In three (3) of them I am the sole author or publication

coordinator, in eight (8) I am the first author or publication coordinator, in eight (8) I am the second, in three (3) I am the third, in one (1) I am the fourth and in two (2) I am the sixth author.

- Also, eight (8) reports include research results (mainly environmental impact studies or protected area delimitations). In four (4) of these, I am the sole author, in one (1) first, two (2) second and in one (1) third author.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION

- SCI journals (with impact factor IF): **763 (Google Scholar), 343 (Scopus), 570 (RG)**.
- Guest author for writing chapters in books.
- Reviewer of at least 27 papers in 16 scientific journals and many papers in two conferences.
- Member of the scientific committee of two conferences.
- Session chair at five conferences.
- Participation in a working group for the drafting of the International Action Plan for three bird species (Little Hen, Little Snout and Common Duck).

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Reviewer of three papers in a scientific journal and many papers at three scientific conferences.
- Member of the Scientific Committee of a conference.
- Guest author on chapters of three books.
- Invited speaker at conferences (teacher seminars and scientific conferences).
- Participation in a working group for the drafting of the National Action Plan for three bird species.
- Member of five scientific committees of public bodies (Ministry of Environment and Energy), services (Protected Area Management Bodies) and environmental organizations.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Member of the Board of Directors of the Northern Greece branch of the Panhellenic Union of Biologists during the period 1988-1990).
- Founding member of the Hellenic Bird Ringing Center (1989) and Vice President of the Board for the period 2023-2025.
- Vice-President of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Ornithological Society (2001-2003 and 2003-2005).

- Member of the Boards of Directors of the Management Bodies of Axios - Loudias - Aliakmonas and Lake Kerkini.
- President of Board of Directors of the Lake Kerkini National Park Management Body
- Deputy Director of the IDE (November 2023- December 2023)
- Acting Director of the IDE (2024- present)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

My educational activity includes adjunct teaching in the Zoology laboratory, the Biology Department of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, courses and presentations at Vocational Training Centers (IEK & KEK) and special training seminars. I also participated in supervising student internships, was a member of the three-member examination committee for postgraduate students, a member of the seven-member examination committee for doctoral candidates and a member of the evaluation committee for positions in universities and technical institutes.

I am also a founding member of a scientific association and participate in international working groups.

Table 1. *Summary of research project*

Papers in international peer-reviewed journals	SCI journals (with IF)	26
	Number of papers in international journals without IF	11
	Average IF per task with IF	1.4 5
	Number of (cross)references	356 (Scopus) 583 (RG) 778 (Google Scholar)
	Maximum number of citations to a work	93 (GS)
	Average number of citations per paper with IF (Scopus)	14.3
	Works with IF per year since 2001	1.1
	Works in national magazines	3
Other tasks	Popular articles	3 6
Books-Publications	Books	9
	Chapters in books (foreign language/Greek)	7/ 6
Conferences	Participation in international/national conferences	27/15
	Papers at international conferences - full proceedings	6
	Papers at international conferences – abstracts	4 2
	Papers at national conferences - full proceedings	14
	Papers at national conferences - abstracts	23
Research	International research programs (competitive)	11
	National research programs (competitive)	11
	Other (non-competitive)	5
Project reviewer	Reviewer in international journals (no. of journals/no. of articles)	16/27
	Reviewer in national journals (no. of journals/no. of articles)	1/3
Theses supervision	Doctoral theses (participation in the seven-member committee)	7
	Postgraduate theses (participation in the three-member committee)	4
	Diploma-graduate theses	2
	Postdoctoral research	1