

IUCN Conservation Translocation Specialist Group

Training for Effective Translocations Workshop

9-12th November 2023

“Conservation through intervention is now common, but with increasing evidence and appreciation of the risks. Consequently, any conservation translocation must be justified, with development of clear objectives, identification and assessment of risks, and with measures of performance.”

IUCN Guidelines on Reintroductions and other Conservation Translocations (2013)

Workshop aim:

We aim to create profound benefits for nature and people by saving species and restoring the function of ecosystems. To do so, we aim to support conservation biologists and managers in designing and managing the complexities surrounding conservation translocations in terms of multi-stakeholder interests, biological uncertainties, and risk. We thereby hope to ultimately increase knowledge to plan, courage to act, certainly to secure resources, skill to respond to challenges, and the achievement of successful conservation outcomes.

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the workshop, participants should be able to apply the IUCN Guidelines for Reintroductions and other conservation translocations by:

1. Developing conservation translocation goals, objectives, and actions that are specific, measurable, attainable, realistic, and time-bound.
2. Utilising a range of decision-making tools in order to develop, monitor, and adapt conservation translocation projects to achieve pre-determined objectives.
3. Identifying and managing risks.
4. Drawing on a suite of stakeholder engagement tools (group problem-solving, expert elicitation, etc) to overcome challenges and improve success.

Format:

Workshop participants will be required to prepare a summary of a conservation translocation project they are currently involved with prior to the workshop. A small number of these will be selected by the lecturers to be developed within group sessions during the workshop. Lecturers are leading experts in the field and include those who were involved in writing and/or evaluating the IUCN Guidelines on Reintroductions and Other Conservation Translocations. The four-day course will be a mix of lectures, tools training sessions, and small group activities to practice application of lecture and tools material to participant-suggested case studies.

Location: Fremantle, Western Australia

Registration: Register your interest when registering to attend ICTC 2023.

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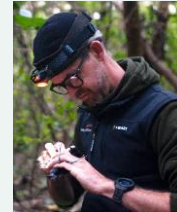
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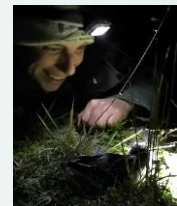


Kevin Parker is a conservation scientist with expertise in reintroduction biology, threatened species management, & restoration ecology. His research & management perspective has been influenced by extensive experience in applied conservation management as a scientist, park ranger, zookeeper, and through direct involvement in >70 translocations of bird & invertebrate species. He also provides advice to many translocation projects in Aotearoa NZ, and internationally.



Zoë Stone is a post-doctoral fellow at Massey University. Her research focuses on how effective monitoring can help guide management & improve conservation & reintroduction outcomes.

She has been involved in a range of threatened bird programmes & reintroductions in Aotearoa NZ & Australia



Johannes Fischer is a technical advisor for the NZ Department of Conservation. His work focusses on addressing domestic & international threats to seabirds, particularly by fostering cross-governmental & international collaborations and through structured decision-making to implement conservation action, including translocations.



Phil Seddon is a Professor of Zoology & Director of the Postgraduate Wildlife Management Programme at the University of Otago. Phil has been a member of the IUCN Conservation Translocations Specialist

Group since 1994. He has been involved with reintroduction projects for various mammals, birds & reptiles across Oceania & the Middle East & has advised on reintroduction projects globally.



Doug Armstrong is Professor of Conservation Biology at Massey University. Doug has over 25 years' experience in reintroduction biology & has been the Oceania Chair of the IUCN Conservation Translocations Specialist Group since 1997.



Axel Moehrenschrager is the Chair of the IUCN SSC Conservation Translocation Specialist Group. He is motivated to amplify translation, policy integration, training, & application of the IUCN

Guidelines for Reintroductions & other Conservation Translocations to help more species, ecosystems, & people worldwide. He is Adjunct Professor, University of Calgary in Canada, Erskine Fellow at NZ's University of Canterbury, & Research Associate at Oxford University in the UK where he received his PhD.