

Update on progress and prospects of the Agriculture Task Force

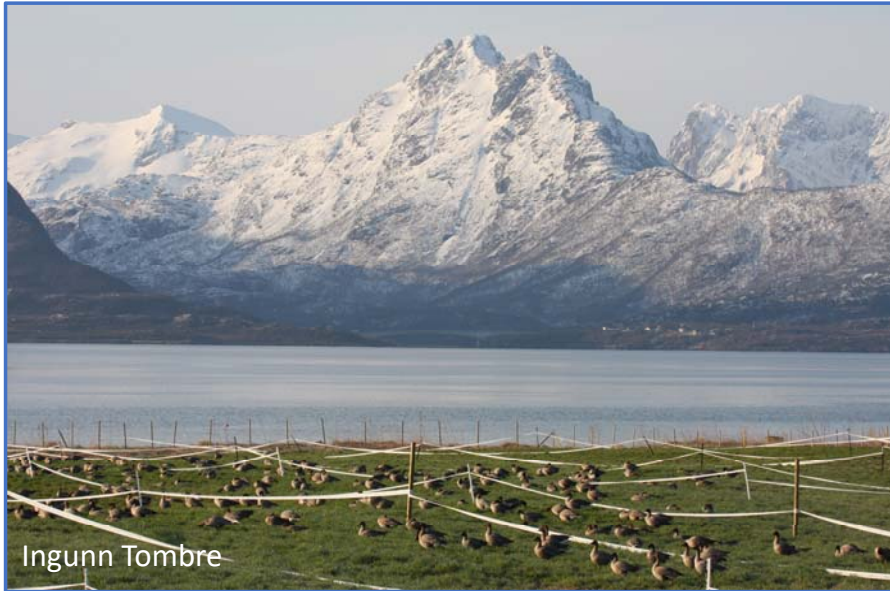
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Goose-agriculture conflicts...

Southern Norway
(Oslofjord region)



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*The core issue -
Geese are challenging...
but also a valued part of the ecosystem...*

How to balance these different views when the various interests overlap in space and time?

...The Wadden Sea Forum...

...The European Goose Management Platform...

...other initiatives sharing experiences, various stakeholder groups, balancing solutions...



Role The EGMP Agriculture Task Force

The role of the EGM IWG Agriculture Task Force is to:

- 1) Assist the EGM IWG in coordinating and catalysing the implementation of activities related to goose management and agriculture under the EGMP;
- 2) Assist the EGM IWG in stimulating and supporting Range States in the implementation of activities related to goose management and agriculture; and
- 3) monitor and report on the implementation of these activities to the EGM IWG via the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat and the National Reports to the EGM IWG, as appropriate.

Terms of reference



Tasks

The EGM IWG Agriculture Task Force will:

- develop and support the implementation of an international interdisciplinary cooperation framework for dealing with interaction between geese and agriculture;
- assist in other ways as requested by the EGM IWG.

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28 members

10 Range States

2 Observer Range States

5 Organizations

(including the Wadden
Sea Forum)

EGMP Data Centre

EGMP Secretariate



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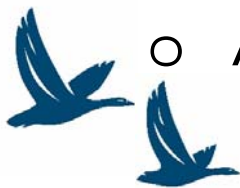
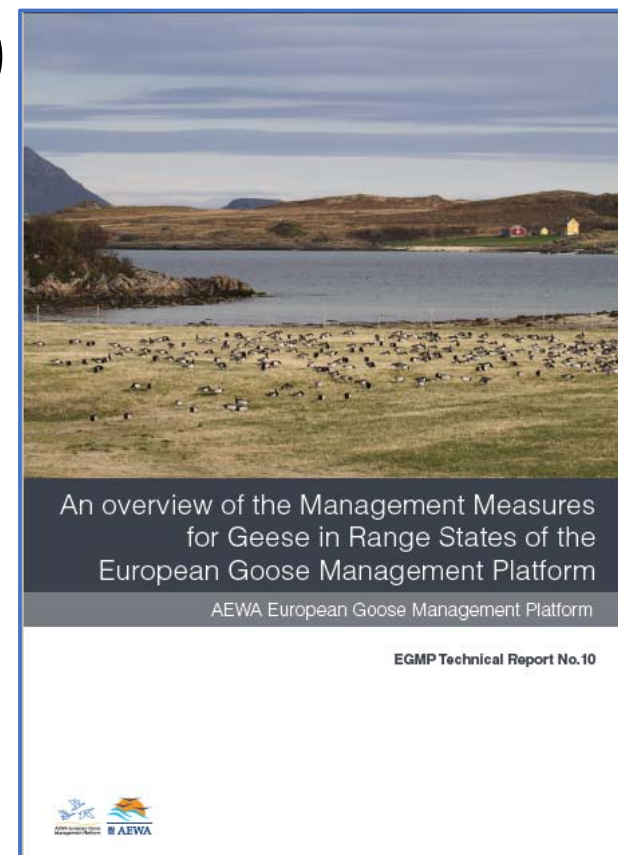


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Activities/products since the establishment (2017)

- 10 meetings (online, but also face-2-face back-to-back the IWG meetings)
- Annual reports and workplans
- EGMP-report –
RS's Management Measures
- Arranged three webinars





Webinar organising committee

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Webinar 1 – **Setting the Scene**

9 range states presented their available tools and practices/experiences

Webinar 2 – **How to manage the damage and conflicts?**

8 presentations ranging from scaring techniques to social science in goose-agriculture conflicts  **YouTube**

Webinar 3 – **Three case studies** (Belgium, Finland, Sweden)

 **YouTube**



Webinar 4 – Theme/content to be discussed at the coming TF meeting in March 2023



Metadata overview

- Overview of activities/projects, *reports*, scientific papers
- Google.doc (in the making...)
- Title, authors, theme, site, goose species, contact person
- Information open for all



Roles and tasks defined

- Still, rather flexible role
- The Task Force can initiate activities

Participation on a volunteer basis - may be a limiting factor...

Open for new tasks suggested from the farmers's perspectives
(under the «EGMP-umbrella» and objectives)



EGMP includes four goose species with its own task force

A separate Task Force for **Agriculture**

Demonstrates that the **challenges with agriculture** are seriously considered

Although EGMP includes stakeholder involvement, **bottom-up processes** must be communicated!

Research projects that demonstrate the challenges (e.g. next presentation!) will increase the **awareness** and **facilitate** more actions from the authorities/politicians?



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Suggestions, comments are welcome!

