



Ongoing projects terrestrial

[Causes of decline in pheasants and gray partridge](#)

A study about the causes of the decline in pheasants and gray partridges in western Lower Saxony, North Rhine-Westphalia and Schleswig-Holstein. A multiannual investigation project with focusing on potential causes of pathogenic germs. ([more information](#))

[Future Discourses -- Neozoa: How do we deal with immigrated animal species, and how do we want to deal with them?](#)

Neozoa are alien or non-native animal species, which were directly or indirectly introduced into a new habitat by humans. ([more information](#))

[Goose ecology: analysis of transmitter data](#)

The present investigation concept aims to analyse the existing and still arising transmitter data of motion patterns and migration behaviour of the three goose species greylag goose (*Anser anser*) (GG), greater white-fronted goose (*Anser albifrons*) (BG) and barnacle goose (*Branta leucopsis*) (NG). ([more information](#))

[Habitat improvement for small game and accompanying biological investigations](#)

The present investigation concept aims to assess the habitat improving measures created in model regions for the target species common pheasant and European hare in the ecological context, in order to effectuate them later in a variety of areas upon positive effects. ([more information](#))

[Investigations on the animal welfare of the live catch of nutria \(*Myocastor coypus*\) as well as of by-catches as basis for a management concept](#)

In Lower Saxony, hunting is the only possibility to decimate the increasing nutria population. In order to ensure animal welfare of trapped nutria, but also of unwanted by-catches such as raccoons or protected species, this project works according to international criteria for evaluation of animal live trapping. ([Read more](#))

[Project Life MICA \(Management of Invasive Coypu and muskrat in Europe\)](#)

With its LIFE projects (L'Instrument Financier pour l'Environnement), the European Union exclusively supports environmental protection programmes. MICA is an EU Life project with the aim to develop cross-border management strategies for nutria and muskrat in Europe.

In international cooperation between German, Dutch and Belgian institutions, innovative methods will be tested from 2019 to 2023. ([Read more](#))

[Spatiotemporal behaviour, health status and feeding ecology of wolves in Lower Saxony](#)

The aim of this project is to gain information about migration flows, health status and the diet composition of wolves in Lower Saxony. ([more information](#))

[Wildlife Surveys in Lower Saxony](#)

The continuous survey of wild animal populations and conditions in their habitat constitutes a prerequisite for scientifically sound statements on their abundance and population development. ([more information](#))

[Occurrence and space usage of black grouse predators in the Lüneburg Heath](#)

The aim of this project is to study the spatio-temporal behavior of predators in black grouse habitats in the context of the local predator management and landscape maintenance measures. ([more information](#))

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