Challenges in West Asia with a Case Study: Progress on Conserving Wildlife in Lebanon: Hunting management in Lebanon

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Birds in Lebanon

395 of bird species in Lebanon

- 1 Critically Endangered
- 2 Endangered
- 8 Vulnerable
- 17 Near Threatened species

- ‘Bottleneck’ site, lies on one of the most important flyways for migratory soaring birds in the world.
- Over a million of birds, fly through this corridor migrating back and forth each spring and autumn, from Europe and Asia, where they breed, to winter in Africa.
15 IBAs in Lebanon:

- 8 nature reserves and natural sites
- 2 conserved by local communities
In order to regulate the relationship hunting and the hunters and to protect biodiversity, birds and wildlife in Lebanon

The hunting law
No.580 dated 25/2/2004
Rare and threatened bird and animal species should be protected.

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Areas where hunting is strictly forbidden

- Mountains during snow season
- Cities, villages, public gardens
- Protected areas
- Heritage sites
- 500 m from residential areas, religious sites, public or private infrastructure
- Private land and agricultural lands
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The opening and the end of the hunting season, the species that are allowed to be hunted

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➢ Hunting during THE DAY
➢ **Specific bird and animal species allowed to be hunted and their quantities during each hunting trip**
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Institutions responsible for controlling violations and issuing related fines
- Internal Security Forces
- Forest rangers
- Nature reserves guards

Allowed and forbidden tools and forbids the public display of hunted preys
- Fire arms licensed for hunting
- Bow archery
- Dogs
- Falcon
- Nets
- Glue
- Calling machines
- Decoys
- Projection light
- Poison or drugs
- Traps
- Luring
- Shooting from vehicles
- Electrical machines

The hunter should obtain a hunting license
- Hunting insurance
- Hunting exam
- Fire arms license
Electronic page for hunting regulations Lebanon: http://hunting.moe.gov.lb/
Responsible hunting competition
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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