

STAVANGER, NORWAY

National report presented to EURING General Assembly 2007.

- Organisation:* The Bird Ringing Centre is a unit within the Department of Zoology at Stavanger Museum.
- Staff:* Two persons are employed on permanent basis (Olav Runde and Alf Tore Mjøs) and one on a voluntary basis (Morten Kersbergen). The Norwegian Directorate for Wildlife Management has, for some years, engaged Vidar Bakken to work with programs and data solutions.
- Annual fee:* We have no annual fee, and the ringers get the rings free of charge.
- Ringers (2006):* The number of ringers are rather stable, \pm 450. Most of these are organized in Ringing stations or Ringing Groups. The number of scientific projects using bird ringing as a method, are increasing.
- Birds ringed:* As a mean, 230 000 birds are ringed each year. 6.6 million birds have been ringed in Norway since 1914. Over 50% of these have been computerised.
- Computer routines:* A software is distributed free to the ringers, and effective from 2007, they have to submit their ringing data electronically.
A new administrative program has been developed as well, and was also effective from 2007.
- CES-project:* At the moment there is only one site in Norway.
- Recoveries:* All recoveries of birds ringed in Norway have been computerised (New EURING). Effective from 2007, EURING 2000 has been used. At the end of this year, all old recoveries will be transformed to EURING 2000.
Most of the colour-ring sightings are not included in our databases.
- Annual report:* The annual reports have been published in the Norwegian journal Ringmerkaren. The reports for 2005 and later, will be published on our homepage.
- Atlas:* The second volume (Pigeons – Passerines), of our Bird Ringing Atlas was published in 2006.
- Internet:* The address to our new homepage is <http://www.toyen.uio.no/ringmerking/index.html>
At the moment there is only a Norwegian version.