



REPORT OF BELARUS BIRD RINGING CENTRE

1996-2008

Our history

Since 1970 all ringing activities in Belarus were carried out and coordinated by Belarus section of USSR Bird Ringing Centre at the Institute of Zoology, Belarus Academy of Sciences (Minsk).

After creation of independent state (the Republic of Belarus) bird ringing was practically stopped. Some professional ornithologists carried on bird ringing with Moscow and Estonian rings. In 1996 first 50 000 new national rings with Belarus inscriptions were produced due to financial support of the Secretariat of CMS (Bonn Convention).

Ringing office was organised in March 1998 within the scope of Danish Environmental Support Fund (DenSF) with the assistance of Ornis Consult Ltd. (Denmark).

BELARUS RINGS

- **1996-2002 - aluminium rings produced by “ARANEA”, Poland;**
- **2003 - steel rings for waterbirds produced by “MEKANISKA” Sweden;**
- **Since 2007 - all rings produced by “PORZANA” England.**

**Supported by Secretariat of Bonn Convention,
DenSF (Denmark), SEEN (Poland), NABU
(Germany) and RSPB (Great Britain)**

BELARUS RINGS

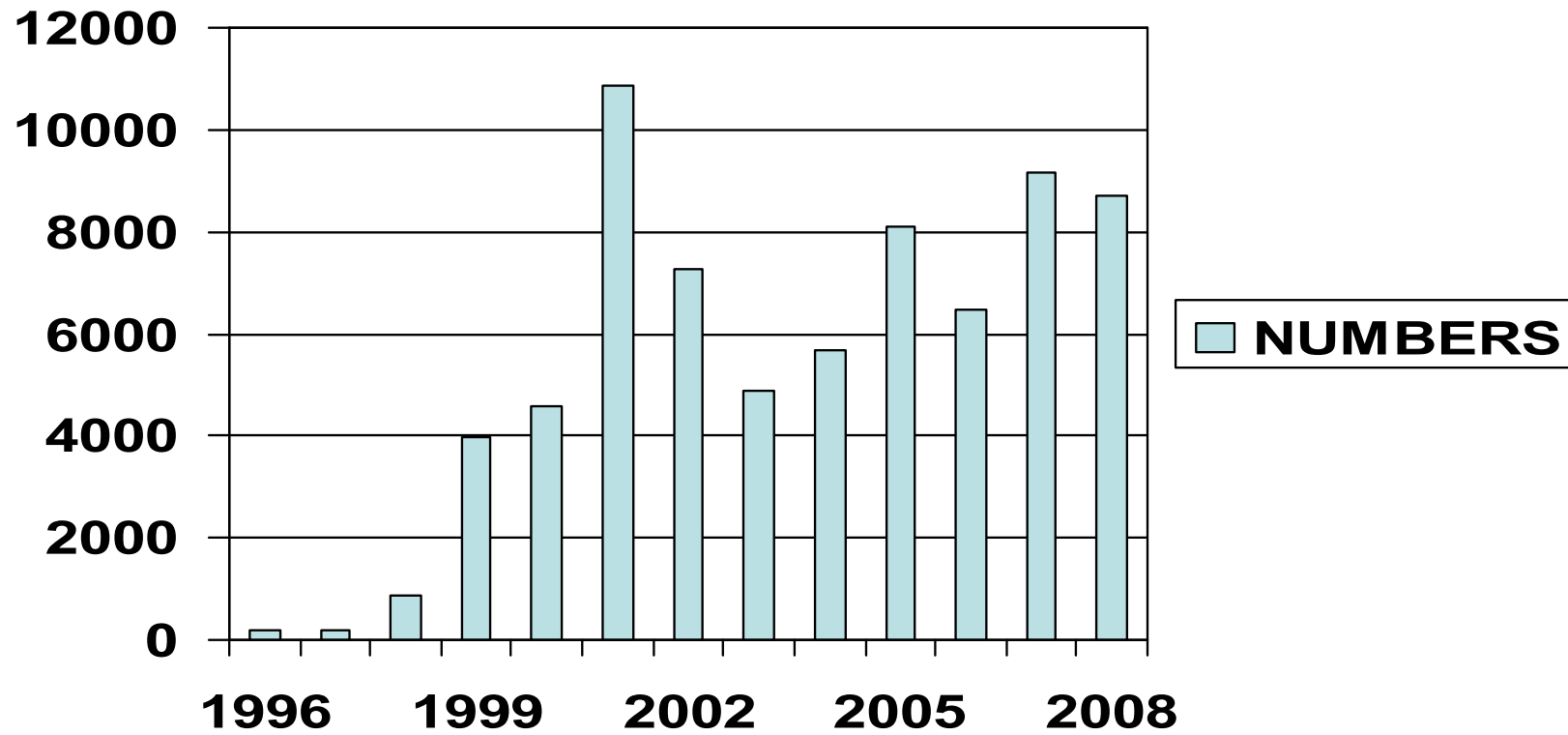
**Now 32 types of rings are in use.
Smallest size is 2.0 mm and largest -
30.0 mm diameter.**

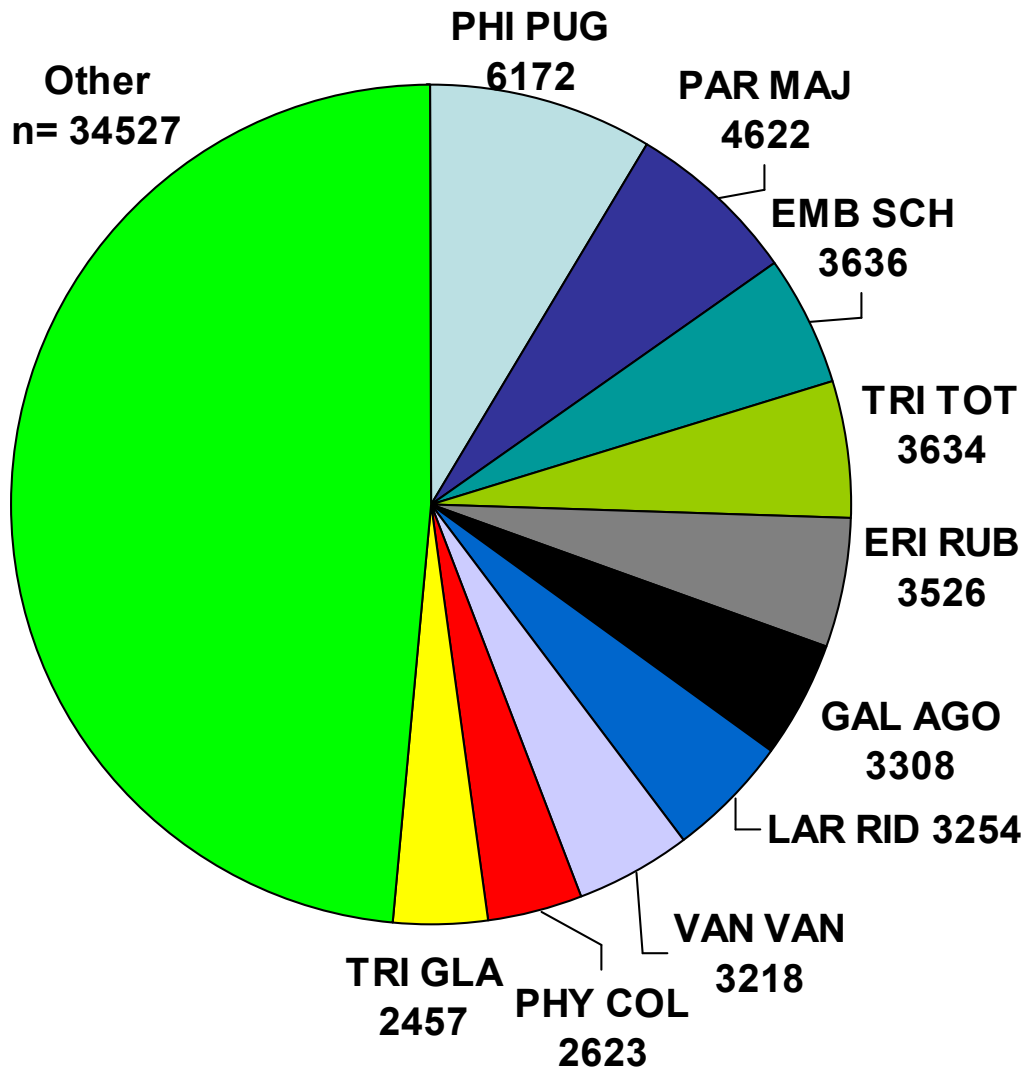


Our voluntary staff

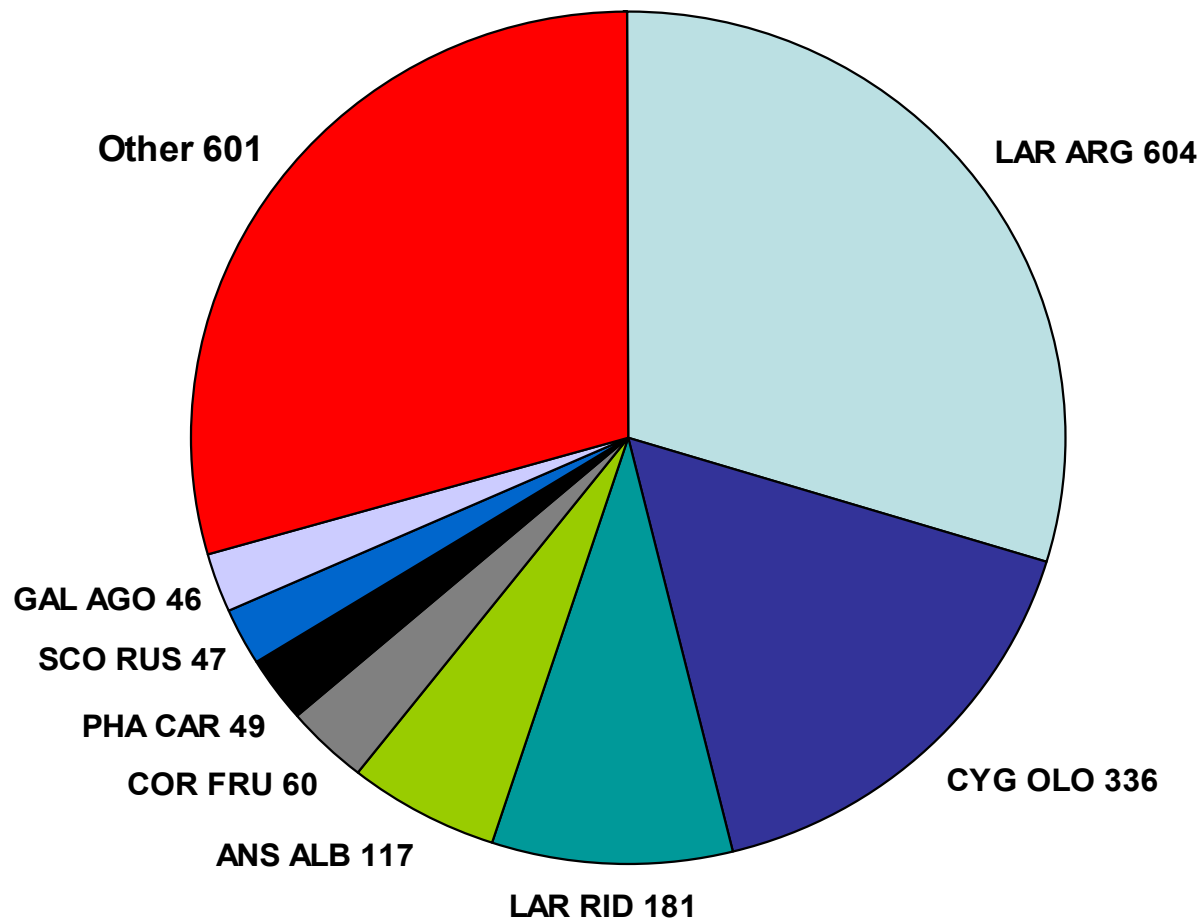
- **Pavel Pinchuk – head of Belarus Bird Ringing Scheme**
- **Natalia Karlionova – processing of ringing data**
- **Tatiana Pavlushchick – processing of recoveries**

RINGED BIRDS





NUMBERS OF BIRDS RINGED IN 1996-2008

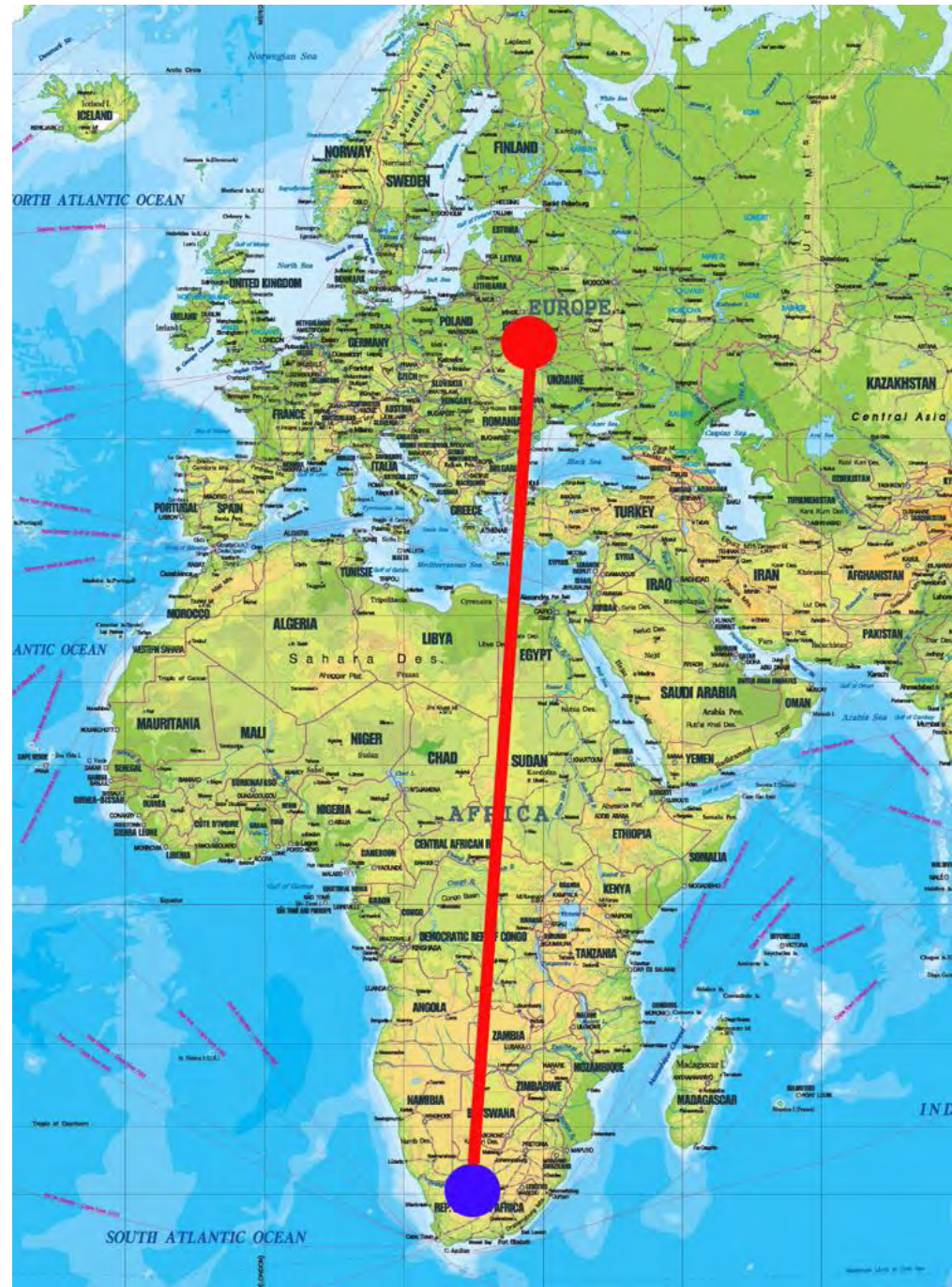


NUMBERS OF BIRDS RECOVERED IN 1996-2008

White Stork

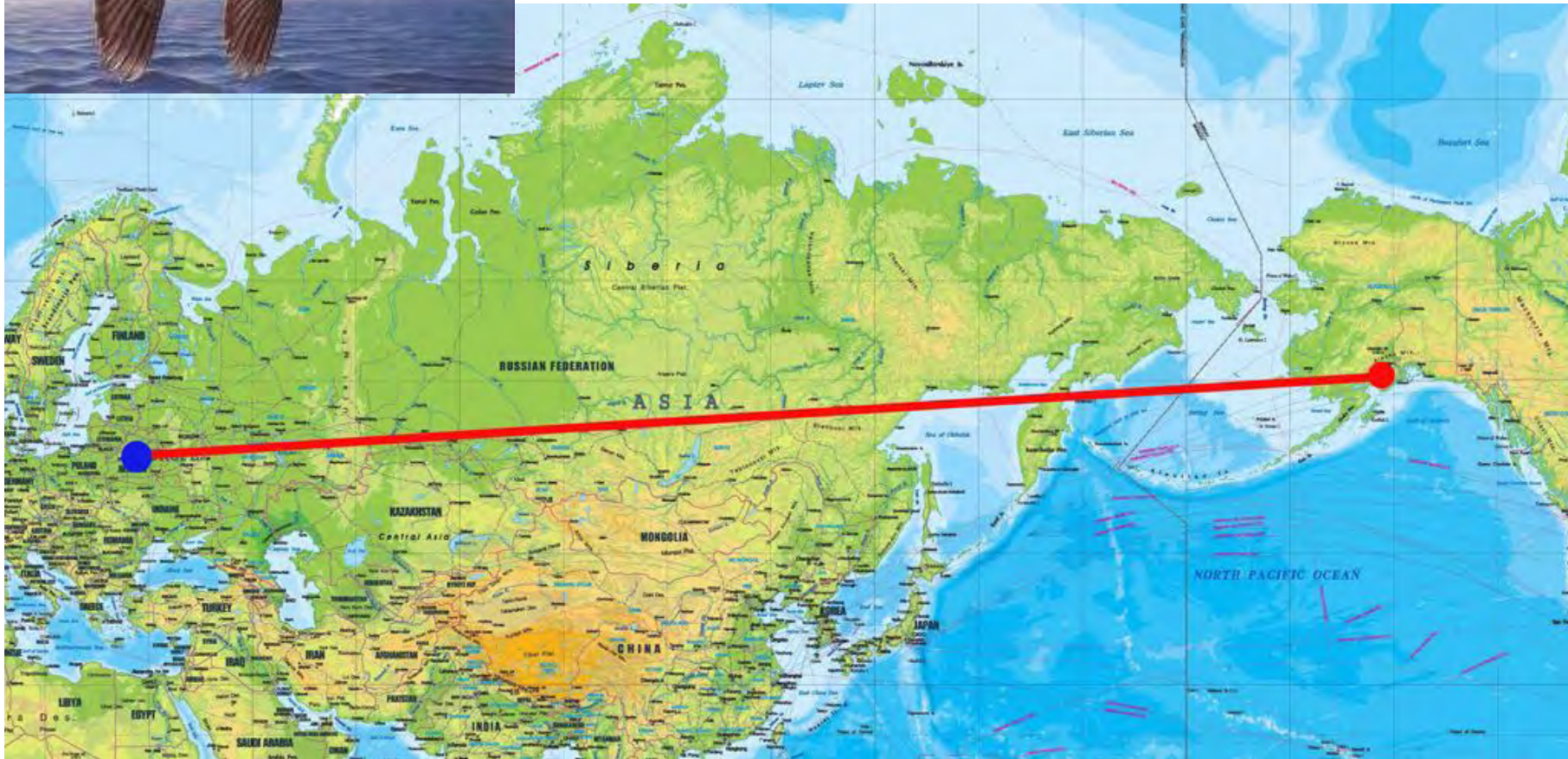


9654 km





Steller`s Eider



7654 km

COLOUR RINGING

- *Xenus cinereus* - since 1999.
- *Larus argentatus* and *Larus cachinnans* - since 1999.
- *Acrocephalus paludicola* - since 2000.
- *Cygnus olor* – since 2005.
- *Cygnus cygnus* – since 2008.
- *Circus pygargus* - since 2008.
- *Limosa limosa* - since 2008.

