

**Meeting on the Implementation of the
AEWA International Species Management Plan (ISMP) for the
Svalbard population of the Pink-footed Goose (*Anser brachyrhynchus*)**

**Hotel Polarriggen, Longyearbyen, Svalbard, Norway
4 – 8 August 2012**

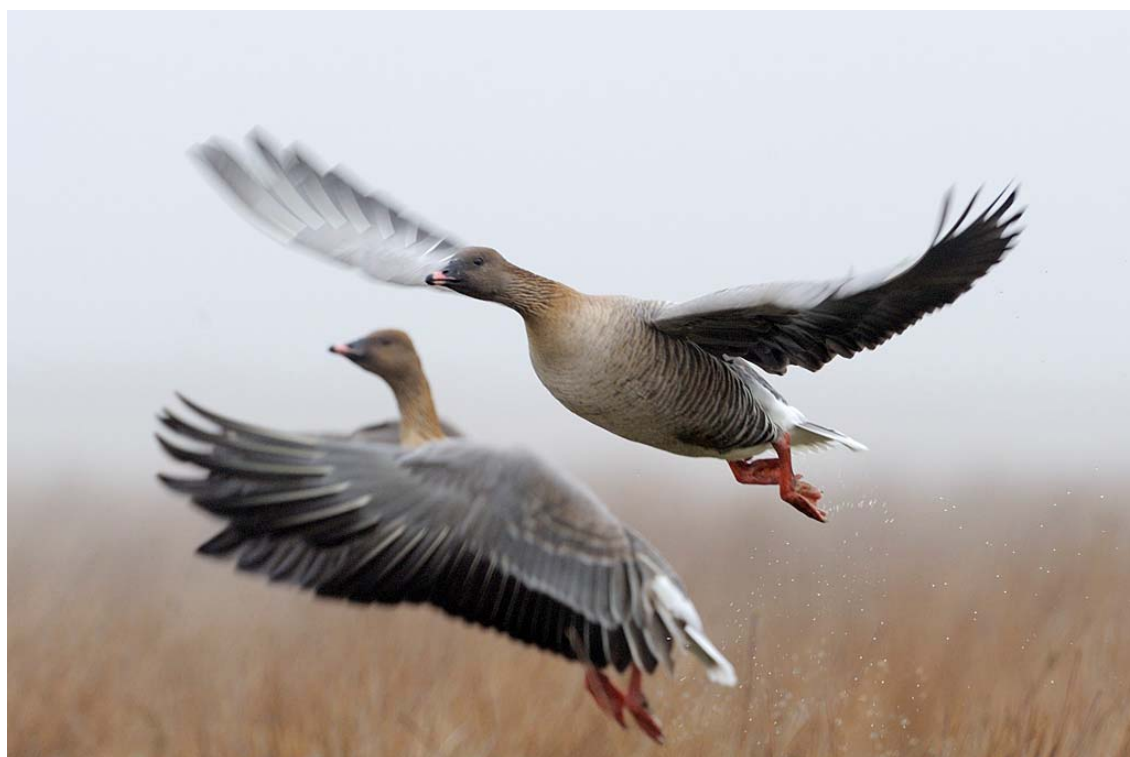


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-- Planned Agenda --

Saturday, 4th August		
Arrival Day		
Time	Activity	Lead
12:00 – 18:00	Arrival	
19:00 – 20:00	Evening icebreaker, welcome drinks and registration	Sergey Dereliev, Jesper Madsen
20:00	Dinner	

Sunday, 5th August		
Updates; The International PfG Working Group & its Terms of Reference; Adaptive Harvest Management		
Time	Activity	Lead
09:00 – 09:20 (20 mins)	Opening of the meeting & introduction Tour de table	Sergey Dereliev, Jesper Madsen
09:20 – 09:30 (10 mins)	Update on MOP5 and the AEWA endorsement of the International Species Management Plan (ISMP) for the Svalbard population of the Pink-footed Goose	Sergey Dereliev
09:30 - 09:45 (15 mins)	<i>Population growth and hunting:</i> Update on species population growth and an overview of current hunting practises, regulations & bag statistics	Jesper Madsen
09:45 – 10:30 (45 mins)	Update on national issues, policy and plans for goose management in Norway, Denmark, The Netherlands and Belgium	Head of national delegations
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 – 11:20 (20 mins)	<i>International PfG Working Group:</i> Outline proposal for its structure, role and draft Terms of Reference	Sergey Dereliev
11:20 – 11:45 (25 mins)	Agreement on: International PfG Working Group Terms of Reference	Sergey Dereliev
11:45 – 12:00 (15 mins)	<i>Potential ISMP priority management actions:</i> Review of completed feedback forms	James Williams
12:00 - 12:30 (30 mins)	<i>Focus on Adaptive Harvest Management (AHM):</i> Outline proposal for AHM in action and key decisions needed to get there	Jesper Madsen
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch break	
13:30 – 14:15 (45 mins)	<i>Predictive models for effective decision making:</i> The latest on PfG population models, harvest management strategies and quotas	Fred A. Johnson
14:15 – 15:15 (60 mins)	<i>Break out session – Acknowledging uncertainties & implications of AHM:</i> Delegates divided in to groups to identify consequences, issues, and critical information requirements (3 groups)	All delegates
15:15 - 15:45	Coffee break	
15:45 – 16:25 (40 mins)	Report back + Q&A session Assumptions, dependencies and constraints	Group spoke persons, Jesper Madsen, Fred A. Johnson
16:25 – 16:45 (20 mins)	Summing up & outline for next day	Sergey Dereliev
18:30	Dinner	
19:30 – 23:00	Evening trip to Longyear glacier and fossil site excursion	Øystein Størkersen

Monday, 6th August**Alternative management actions; information, communication and funding requirements for the PfG Flyway Plan and International Working Group**

Time	Activity	Lead
09:00 – 09:20 (20 mins)	<i>Focus on habitat management and mitigation measures:</i> Alternative options for spatial management and reducing conflicts	Ingunn Tombre
09:20 – 10:05 (45 mins)	<i>Break out session – Alternative management actions and implications:</i> Delegates divided in to groups to identify consequences, issues, and critical information requirements (3 groups)	All delegates
10:05 – 10:40 (35 mins)	Report back + Q&A session Assumptions, dependencies and constraints	Group spoke persons, Ingunn Tombre, Jesper Madsen
10:40 - 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 – 11:35 (35 mins)	<i>Discussion of: Operation of PfG Working Group in the context of AHM (an exploratory example).</i> Decisions to be taken, when and by whom e.g. the population target, hunting strategies and quotas. Other management actions and their implications	Øystein Størkersen, Sergey Dereliev
11:35 – 12:00 (25 mins)	<i>Agreement on: Operation of PfG Working Group; priority of international management actions and annual decision making cycle</i>	Øystein Størkersen, Sergey Dereliev
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch break	
13:00 - 13:30 (30 mins)	<i>Discussion of: Information, modelling and evaluation</i> Requirements and responsibilities for: monitoring programs, modeling modules, a Data Centre and success criteria (deliverables and key milestones.)	Jesper Madsen, Fred A. Johnson
13:30 – 13:50 (20 mins)	<i>Agreement on: Information, modelling and evaluation.</i>	Jesper Madsen, Fred A. Johnson
13:50 - 14:20 (30 mins)	<i>Discussion of: Communication and engagement</i> Requirements and responsibilities for: reporting (working group, national authorities and technical experts), developing National Management Plans, engaging with national stakeholders and the public. Resolving conflicts.	James Williams, Sergey Dereliev
14:20 – 14:40 (20 mins)	<i>Agreement on: Communication and engagement.</i>	James Williams, Sergey Dereliev
14:40 – 15:00	Coffee Break	
15:00 - 15:20 (20 mins)	<i>Discussion of: Funding and coordination of the Working Group</i> Requirements and responsibilities for: funding, budgeting, coordinating and promoting the work of the PfG Working Group, technical experts and the implementation of the ISMP.	Jesper Madsen, Sergey Dereliev
15:20 – 15:40 (20 mins)	<i>Agreement on: Funding and coordination</i>	Jesper Madsen, Sergey Dereliev
15:40 - 16:00 (20 mins)	Summing up, next steps and closure of the workshop	Sergey Dereliev, Jesper Madsen
16:30 – 20:00	Sightseeing, evening trip to see goose grubbed site	Jesper Madsen
20:30	Dinner	

Tuesday, 7th August**Excursion Day**

Time	Activity	Lead
9:30 – 18.30	Full day boat trip to Esmark Glacier and Barentsburg	Øystein Størkersen
19:30	Dinner	

Wednesday, 8th August**Departure Day**

Time	Activity	Lead
9:00 – 11:00	<i>Checkout and transfer to airport</i>	