

Bird Ringing Station Manual presents to a wider audience more than 50 years of field practice on migratory birds' ringing. During many years of intensive work in Operation Baltic (KULING and SEEN programs) the authors tested various methods and ideas, accumulating considerable experience in bird migration studies. The authors found that the main problem of international co-operation is the incompatibility of methods and local work protocols, which makes the exchange and efficient use of data very difficult. The idea of 'a NETWORK working according to the standard methods' is postulated by the authors as its proper solution.



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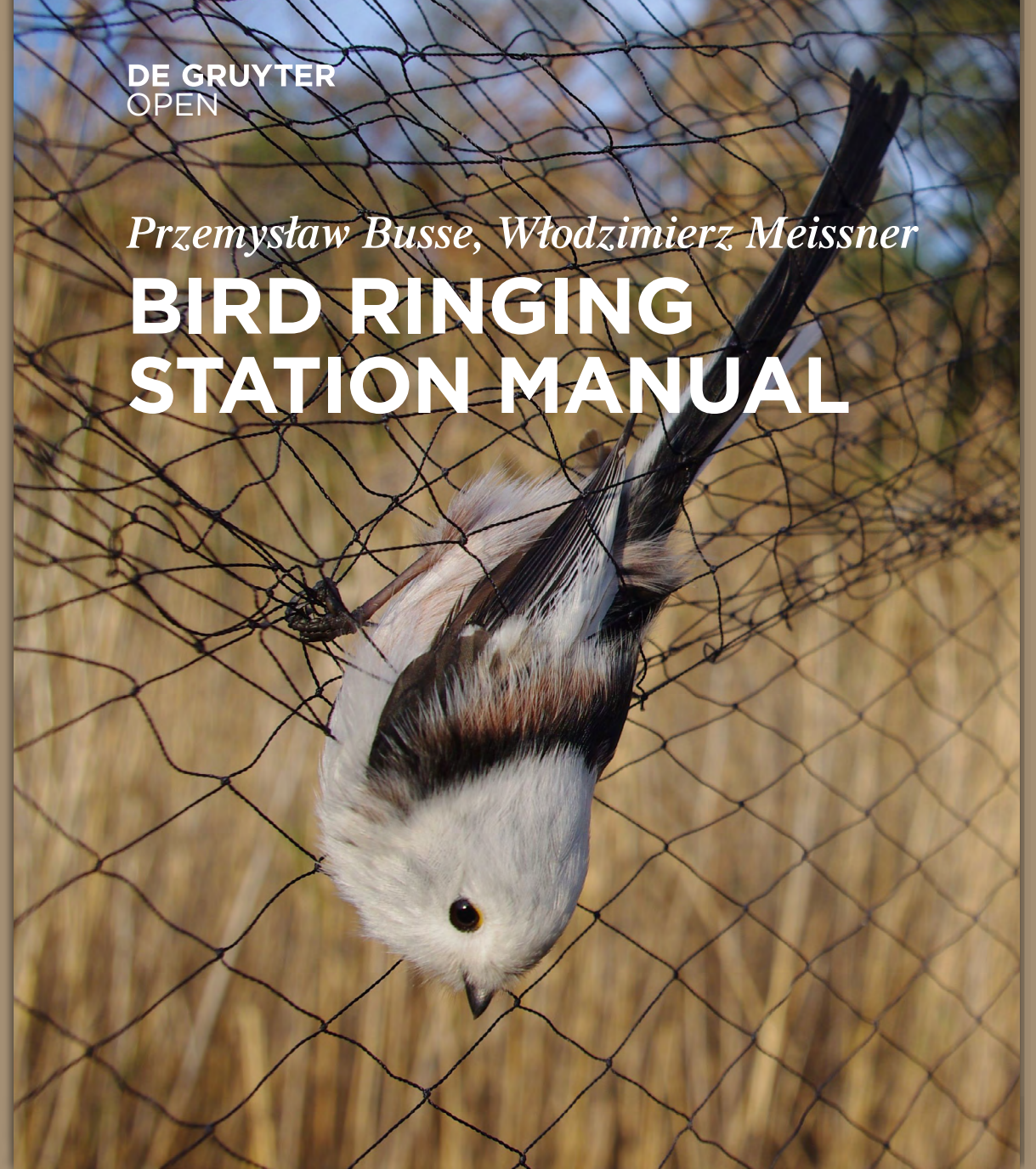
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Aims and Scope

In an attempt to standardize elements of the station routine, the book describes the procedures used in passerine and wader ringing stations. It offers a comparative analysis of versatile evaluation techniques such as measurements, orientation experiments and monitoring. The authors meticulously analyze different methods used to track birds, including catching passerines with mist-nets in land and wetland habitat, as well as the use of the Heligoland trap. The monograph, as a successful bid to establish a bird station routine that is favourable to both birds and ringers, will benefit all professional and amateur ringers.

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