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Taylor & Francis to publish *Bird Study* from 2009

We are proud to announce that Taylor & Francis will take responsibility for publication of *Bird Study* on behalf of the British Trust for Ornithology (www.bto.org), with effect from Volume 56, 2009.

Now in Volume 55, *Bird Study* is a premier title in ornithology, publishing high quality papers relevant to the sphere of interest of the British Trust for Ornithology, broadly defined as field ornithology, especially when related to providing the evidence base for bird conservation. The journal concentrates on bird species that occur in the Western Palearctic but welcomes papers from any part of the world that are of general interest to the following areas: patterns of distribution and abundance, movements, habitat preferences, developing field census methods, ringing and other techniques for marking and tracking birds.

Bird Study is indexed in Thomson Scientific's Journal Citation Reports® with an Impact Factor of 0.880*.

With Taylor & Francis, the journal will see a number of improvements. Volumes 1 through 42 will be digitised by early 2009, meaning that all subscribers will be able to access every issue online from 1:1 through to the current issue, 55:3. *Bird Study* will move to Taylor & Francis' informaworld™ platform. This will bring benefits including HTML versions of articles, forward citation linking and online publication of articles ahead of the print issue through *iFirst*, in addition to further strengthening the international reach of the journal. We will maintain the existing Manuscript Central™ online submission and review system for the journal.

Taylor & Francis are committed to the current Editorial policy and this will remain under the exclusive control of the Editor, in conjunction with the British Trust for Ornithology.

Professor Graham Martin, Editor of *Bird Study* is looking forward to working with Taylor and Francis in the promotion and development of the journal. "This is an exciting development for us. In fact it will be a major jump in the evolution of *Bird Study*. Our unique niche and reputation has been won by consistently publishing important and high quality research, and evolving within the field. The journal's reputation has grown alongside that of the British Trust for Ornithology who launched the journal over 50 years ago. We have now decided to move up a gear. We shall gain the expertise and world reach of Taylor and Francis. It is a logical step for *Bird Study*. The world is shrinking and ornithological research has ever wider impacts and international implications. Taylor and Francis will help *Bird Study* reach a significantly wider audience with a journal of the highest quality"

Rachel Sangster, Publisher for Environment & Agriculture journals at Taylor & Francis, added: 'We are delighted to be taking on publication of *Bird Study* on behalf of the British Trust for Ornithology. Continued monitoring and observation of birds and their habitats is fast becoming an increasing priority in these times of ecological and environmental change. Taylor & Francis is pleased to be expanding its coverage of this important and changing area of research.'

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