

Feedback to volunteers BMS_Italy



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The Italian BMS is born inside the Butterfly Conservation Europe and thanks to its inputs





Inaugural Meeting on BCE - Laufen, 29-31 October 2007
Bavarian Academy for Nature Conservation and Landscape Management (ANL)

The Italian BMS promotes the italian butterfly fauna and allows its assessment





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Italian BMS is realized through existing synergies

Butterfly CONSERVATION EUROPE

http://www.barcodingitalianbutterflies.eu

BARCODING ITALIAN BUTTERFLIES

✓ ZOOLAB – University of Turin (Simona Bonelli & Emilio Balletto)

✓ ZEN LAB- University of Florence (Leonardo Dapporto & Alessandro Cini)



✓ CREA_ Research Centre for Forestry and Wood (Stefano Scalercio)



http://www.butterflyweek.com/it/



The Italian BMS born as a tool for Habitats Directive ASSESSMENT UNDER ART 17. 16 HD Species occur in Italy, the 60% of the European protected species (29)





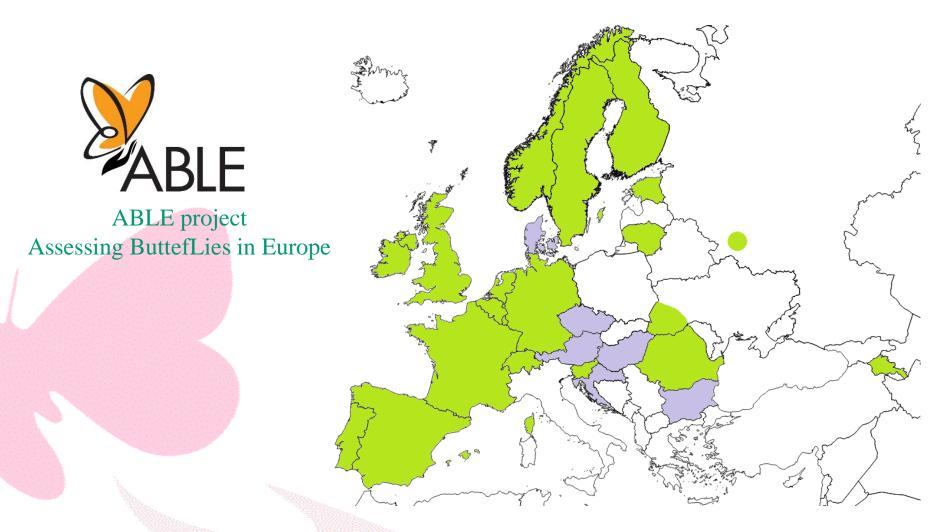
Italian BMS project start from National and Regional Protected Areas to ensure the long term monitoring following the Spanish model





The Italian project is strongly encouraged by the ECB but becomes concrete only thanks to ABLE project

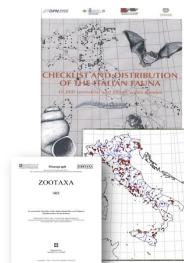




Italian BMS: problems to overcome



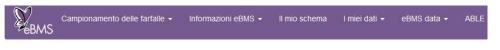
- □ How to involve volunteers in a country so rich in diversity, and how to keep them united?
 - Scarce interest in butterfly conservation among people and politicians
 - Few local group of butterfly amateurs
 - Scarce use of open source data bank



- ☐ How to correctly recognize and count such a large number of species?
 - Almost 300 butterfly species
 - Huge diversity of habitats/3 biogeographical regions
 - In some habitat 40 species can occur in the same transect at the same time
 - Many cryptic species

In 2019 the Italian BMS started officially



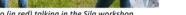


Italia BMS



1 national coordinator with 2 co-coordinators (Leonardo Dapporto (centre Italy) and Stefano Scalercio (south Italy)



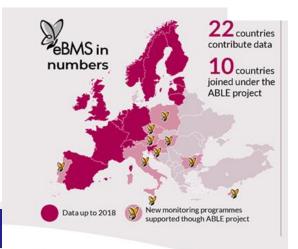




Simona and Leonardo discussing in a workshop



- ◆ 137 permanent transect. Only 30% inside Natura 2000
- 113 Volunteers, NGOs, Universities, Natural Parks, farmland, municipalities, Botanic garden, Zoo, Museum.



150 species sampled



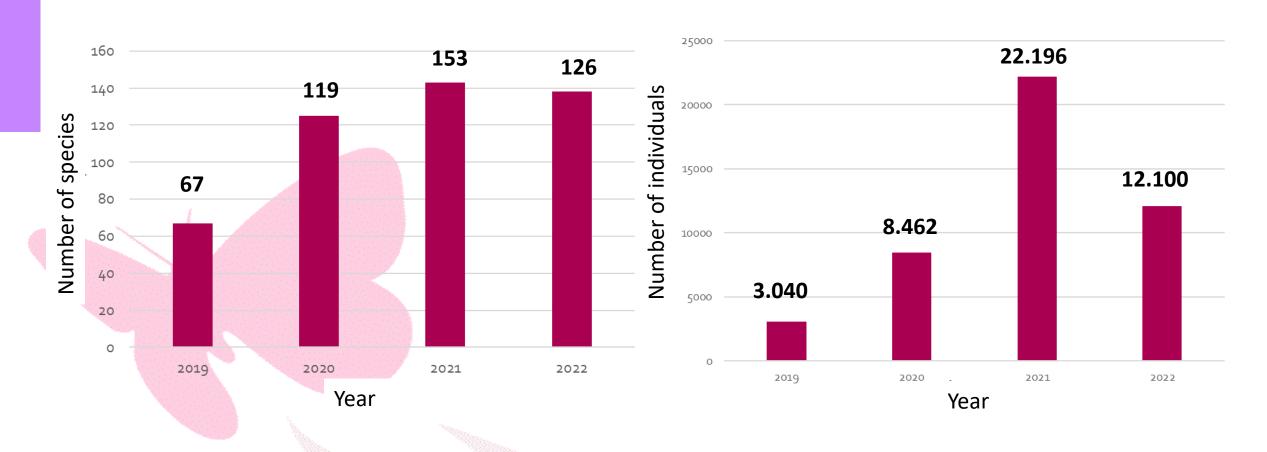






Number of species and individuals recorded





Butterfly Monitoring Scheme Italia tools

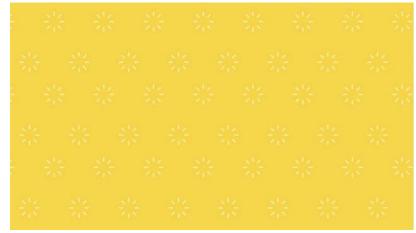






- We translated into Italian the European Butterfly Monitoring Scheme website, with all contents and the mobile application
- We build up tutorials on the methodology

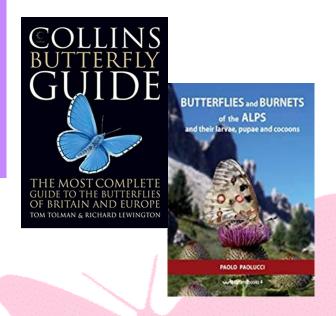




Butterfly Monitoring Scheme Italy Species identification some solutions:

Butterfly CONSERVATION EUROPE

PAST (ante ABLE)







- 5 ABLE regional field guide
- ♦ 12 workshops to train the use of guides
- 1 iNaturalist dedicated project to validate identifications
- ⋄ 5 regional Facebook groups of experienced volunteers who help
 the less experienced in identifying
- ⋄ 1 tutorial dedicated to identification of all alpine Erebia species

Butterfly Monitoring Scheme Italia Workshops

Italian BMS National Workshop

Italian Butterfly monitoring Scheme started in 2019 with the organization of five Workshops:



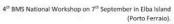
1st BMS National Workshop on 21st June located in Sila



2nd BMS National Workshop on 8th August located in Gran Sasso e Monti della Laga National Park.



MS National Workshop on 19th July in Gran Paradiso







5th BMS National Workshop on 10th





We dedicated time to communication















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Castelporziano Laboratorio Aperto

XII Workshop BMS - Butterfly Monitoring Scheme Italia

Nella giornata di lunedì 10 ottobre 2022 la Tenuta presidenziale di Castelporziano ha ospitato il XII Workshop BMS - Butterfly Monitoring Scheme Italia, che ha visto la partecipazione dei referenti nazionali del progetto, afferenti alle Università di Torino e Firenze, accompagnati da altri esperti del settore. Il BMS è un propetto Citizen Science che ha lo acopo di monitorare le popolazioni di farfalle per valutare i cambiamenti ambientali, così come lo stato di salute degli habitat e la biodiversità, attraverso l'esecuzione di

Nella Tenuta presidenziale di Castelporziano, considerata anche la crescente importanza riservata agli nsetti impollinatori e al fine di implementare la banca dati e le conoscenze entomologiche dell'area, viene condotto questo tipo di monitoraggio dal 2021 presso la località Tor Paterno, con l'utilizzo di un metodo



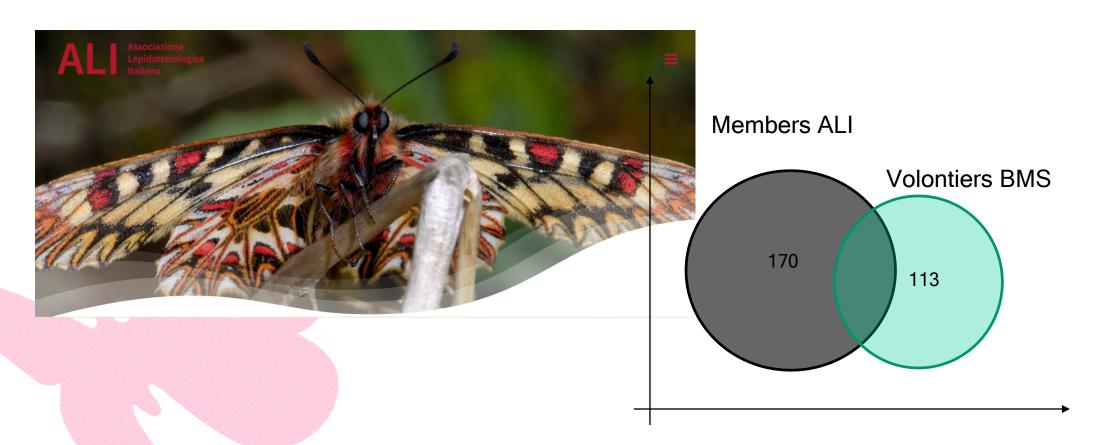


Most common species

2022	2021	2020	2019
Polyommatus icarus	Polyommatus icarus	Polyommatus icarus	Polyommatus icarus
Maniola jurtina	Pieris rapae	Coenonympha pamphilus	Pieris rapae
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Pieris rapae	Coenonympha pamphilus	Melanargia galathea	Colias crocea
Melanargia galathea	Pieris napi	Maniola jurtina	Cupido argiades
Lasiommata megera	Colias crocea	Lasiommata megera	Pieris napi
Melitaea didyma	Lasiommata megera	Colias crocea	Melitaea didyma
Aricia agestis	Melanargia galathea	Pieris napi	Thymelicus lineola
Colias crocea	Aricia agestis	Cupido argiades	Maniola jurtina
Pieris napi	Melitaea didyma	Papilio machaon	Vanessa cardui

Italian Butterfly Conservation Society





in 2020 we established ALI Italian Lepidopterological Association

https://www.lepidoptera.life/







