



Eurasian curlews and Black-tailed godwits in France

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Wetlands
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Any information on L.I. limosa wintering in France (rings, GPS tracking) ?



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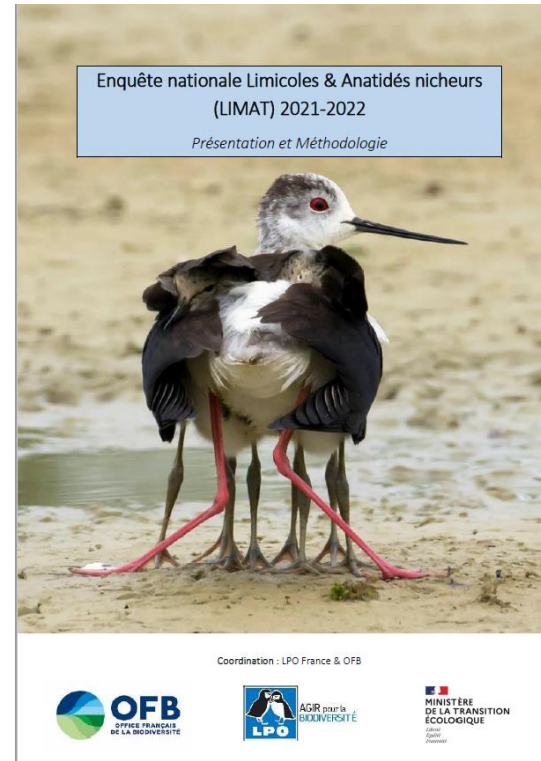
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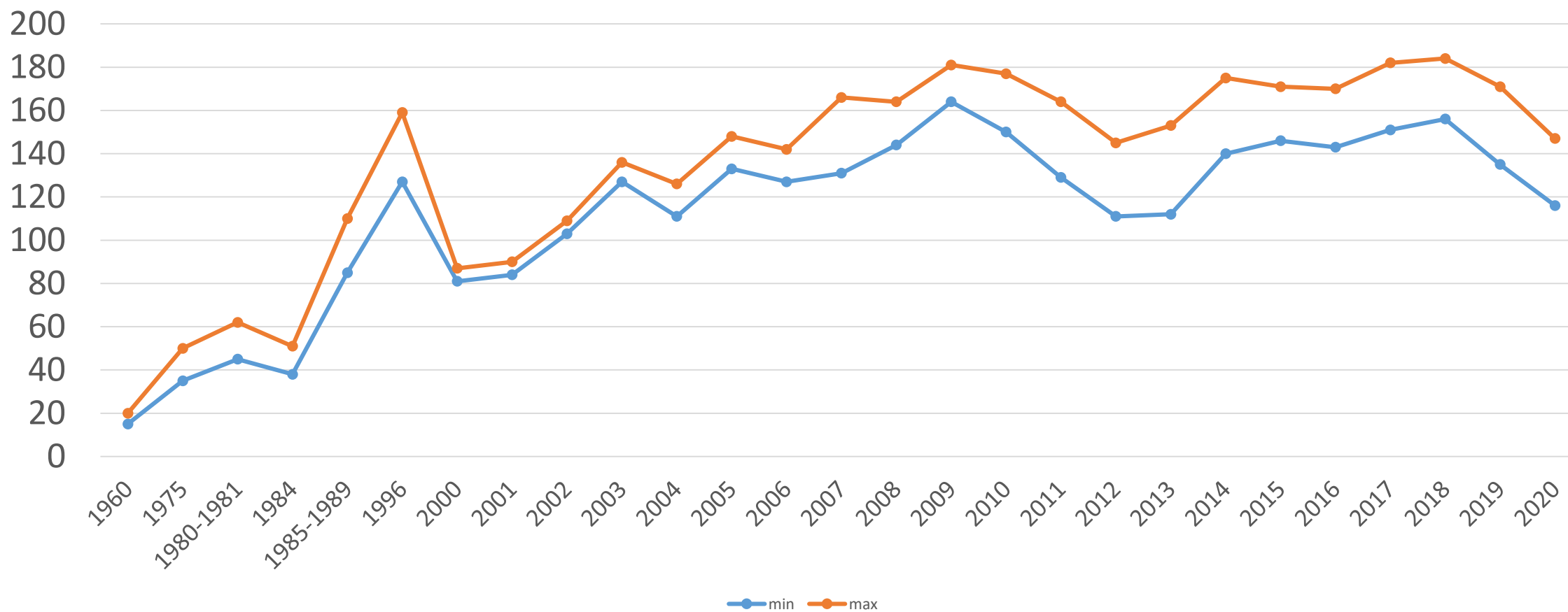
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**French national survey ongoing
(2021 – 2022) LIMAT**





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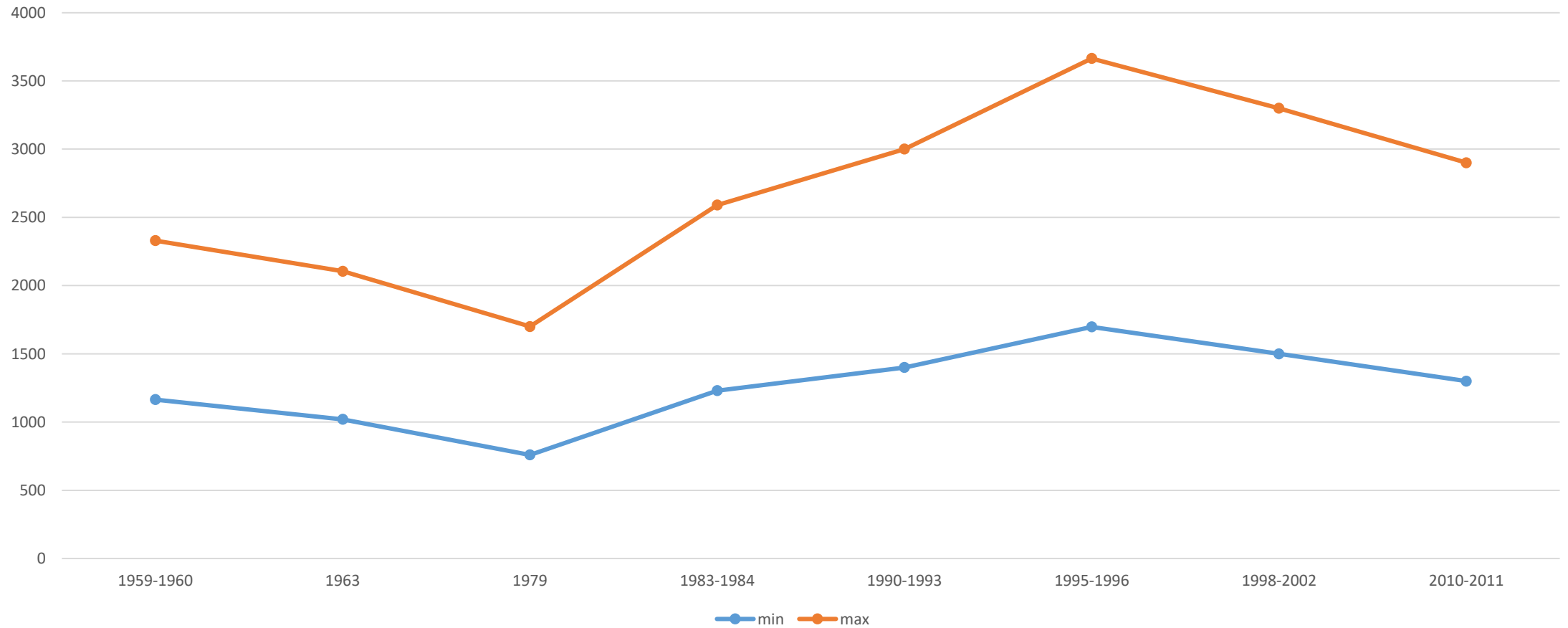


Black-tailed Godwits

- Mostly very local conservation measures with committed farmers
- Concerns about the future common agricultural policy (CAP)
- Insufficient financial aid to support grassland farmers



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National collaboration





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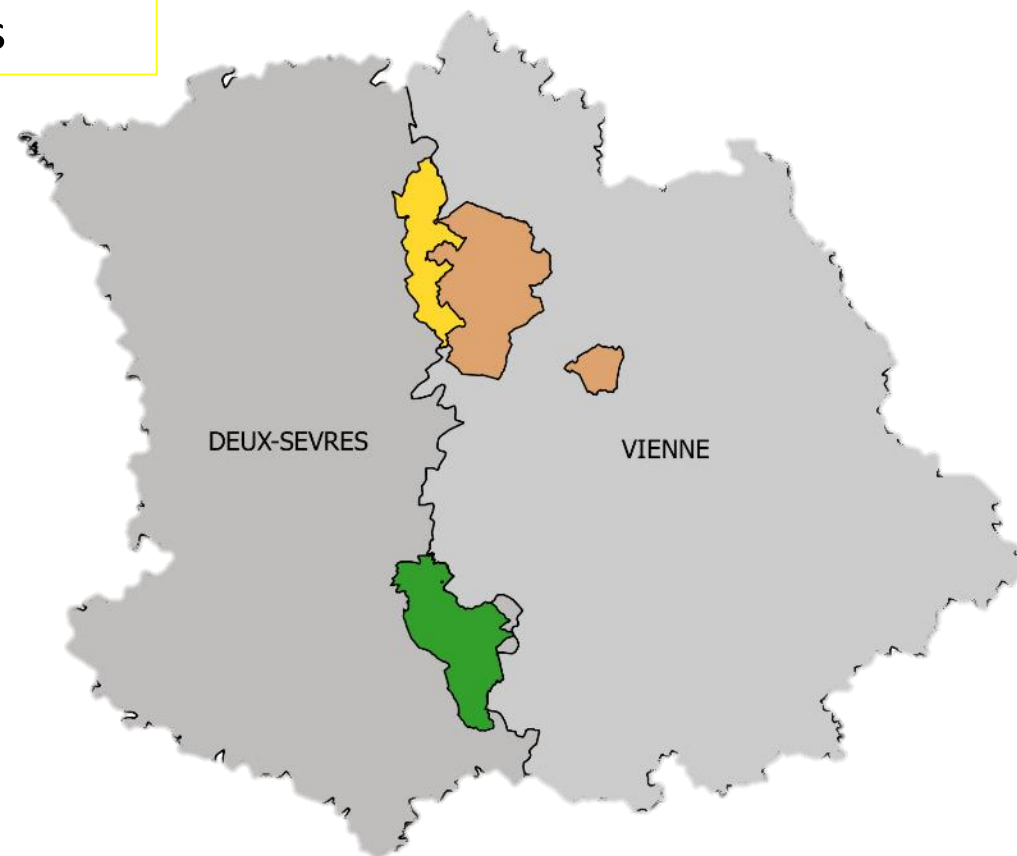


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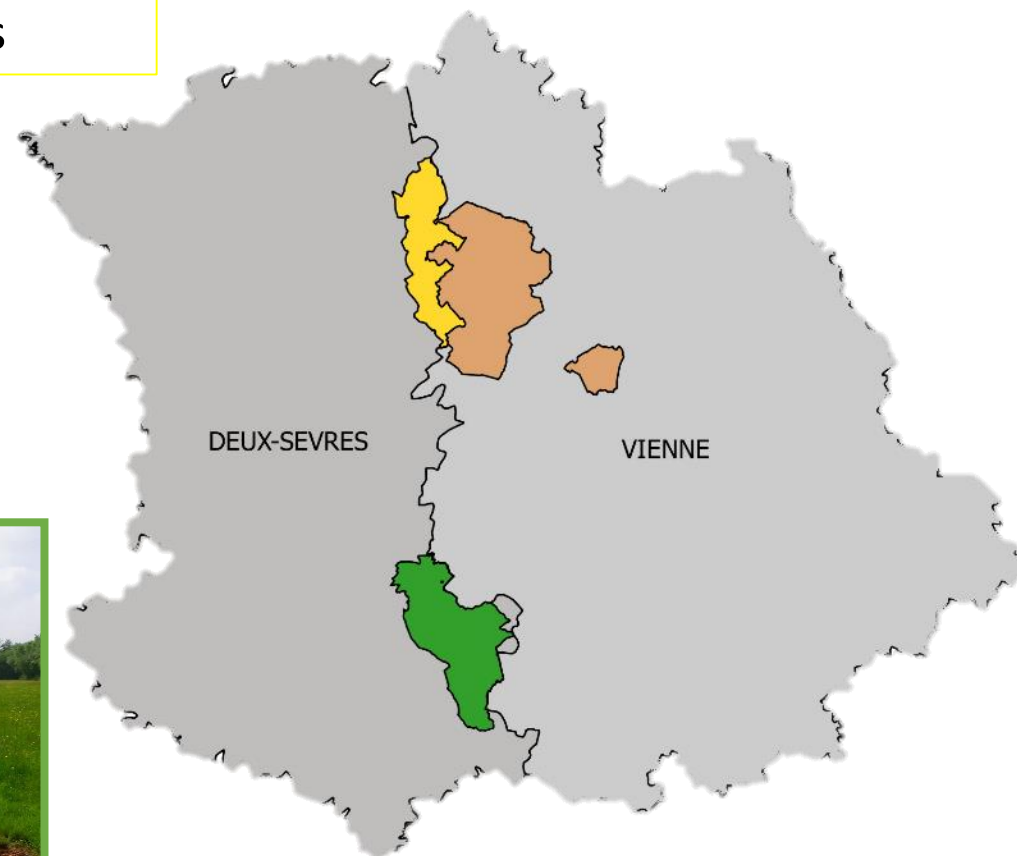


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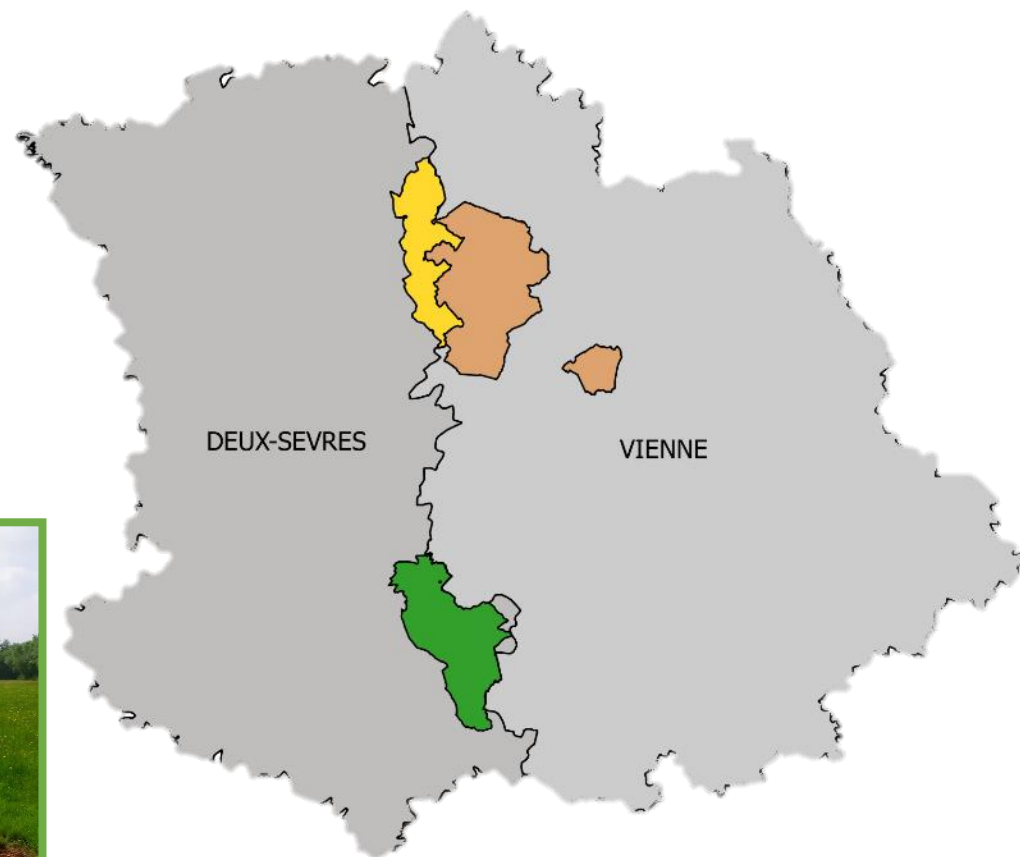


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- Preserved hedgerow
- Natural meadows preserved
- Livestock activity maintained







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<https://vimeo.com/431882123>



Let's meet in Hungary at the WSG conference for more details on this monitoring !



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The idea is to compare the habitat uses and breeding successes in these four sites according to the landscape particularities : Moorland, Marshes, Agricultural, Floodplain.

PhD starting in October on curlew ecology (comparison of sites, juvenile migration, international collaborations)





Tracking: 26 birds on 4 sectors

- Finistère (Brittany) : 1 adult in 2022
- Manche (Normandie) : 3 ad et 2 juveniles in 2021, 2 ad and 4 juv in 2022
- Deux-Sèvres : 4 ad in 2021, 3 ad and 2 juv in 2022
- Val de Saone : 3 ad in 2021, 2 ad in 2022



Thank you !

