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# Sustainable Management of Golden jackal Populations at Kavala and Samos Airports

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#### Fraport Greece Overview

**Key Features** 

- 40-year concession of 14 Regional Airports
- Scope: upgrade, operate and continuously develop all airports
- At least €440 million investment for the development plan
- 650 direct employees

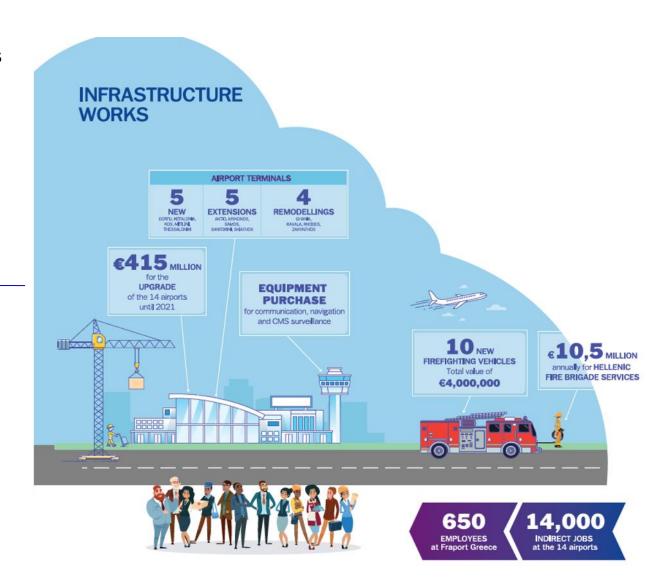
#### Passengers:

**Key Statistics** 

2019: 30.161.0042020: 8.611.851

• 2021: 17.428.536

• Jan-Oct 2022: 29.410.471



# Wildlife Hazard Management Programme (WHMP)

- Policy (Top management commitment)
- System Description
- Wildlife Hazard Identification
- Wildlife Strike Risk Assessment
- Wildlife Strike Risk Prevention & Mitigation
- Assurance (KPIs, Continuous Improvement)
- Promotion (Training & Communication)

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# WILDLIFE HAZARD MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

Thessaloniki Airport "Makedonia"

Fraport Regional Airports of Greece A S.A.

July 2018

	Prepared (Revised)	Checked (technical)		Checked (formal)	Approved	
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### Wildlife Hazard Management Team Duties

- Monitoring wildlife activity on and off-airport
- Wildlife control measures (short & long-term)
- Reporting to the HCAA
- Training of Airport Operations staff
- Compliance with the regulatory framework (EASA & HCAA)

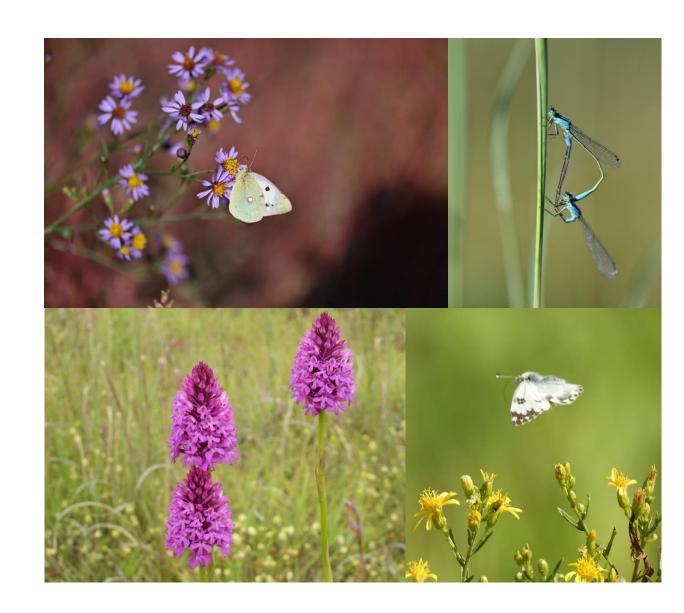






## **Biodiversity Conservation Programme**

- The same system principles are applied to conserve non-hazardous species such as:
  - Reptiles
  - Amphibians
  - Small mammals
  - Bats
  - Insects
  - Flora
- A five years action plan 2021-2025 is already in place within the frame of FG Biodiversity Conservation Programme
- Monitoring of marine ecosystem adjusted to the airports



#### Wildlife Trafficking Prevention



Your memories are the best souvenirs!

Fraport Greece has signed the **United** for Wildlife Taskforce **Buckingham** Palace **Declaration** against wildlife trafficking, extending its biodiversity protection policy at the 14 regional airports and in collaboration with ACI World





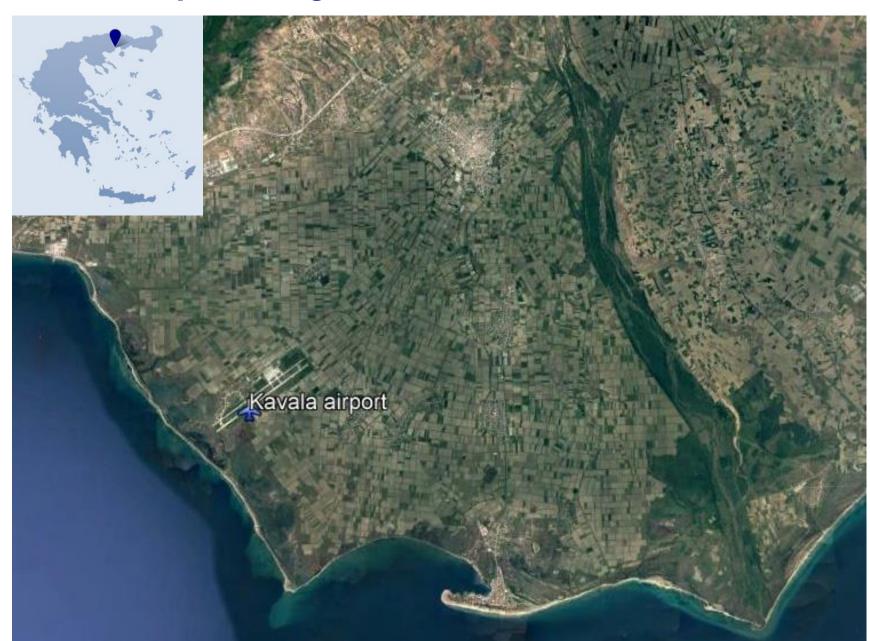






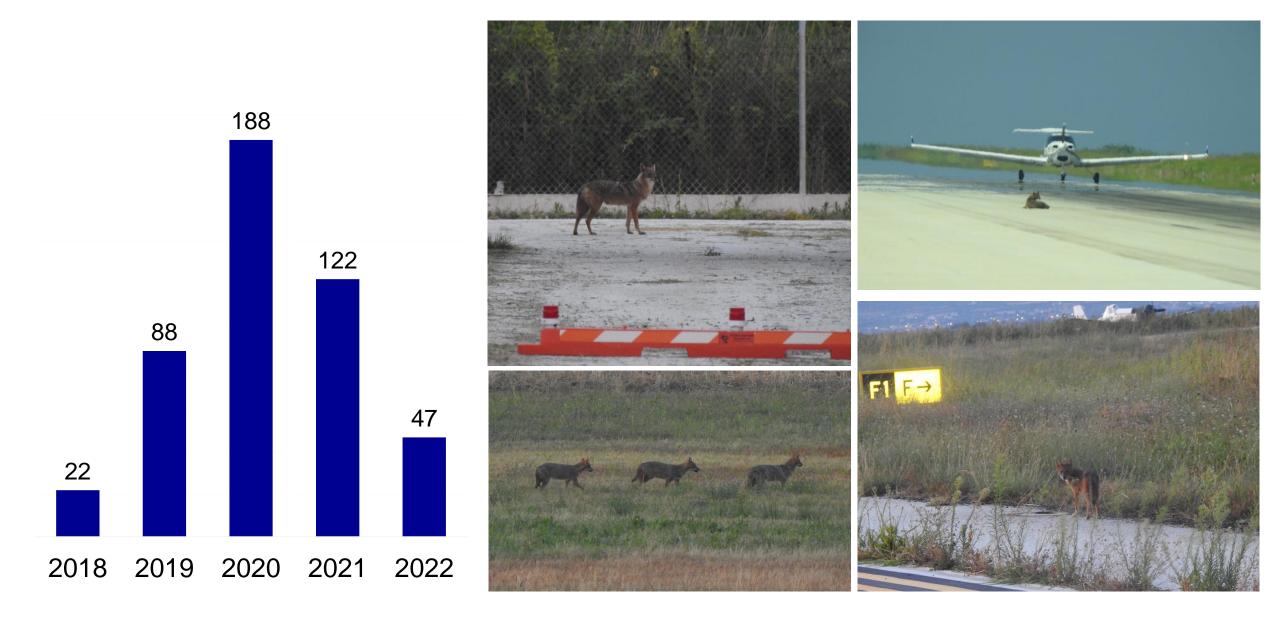


# Kavala Airport "Megas Alexandros"



- Delta of Nestos river
- Lagoons
- Coastline
- Cultivations

# Observations of Golden jackals at Kavala Airport



## Golden jackal strikes at Kavala Airport

- I. 19-07-2021 Boeing 737
- II. 21-12-2021 Diamond 40

No operational impact





# Samos Airport "Aristarchos of Samos"



- Wetland
- Coastline
- Cultivations

#### Samos Airport Golden jackal Project Timeline



2017









Fence damaged and restored

Purchase of tractor (grass cutting)



Identification and monitoring of access points

Deployment of audio recorders

Purchase of GPS collars

Reeds removal

Oct 2018

2019-2020

Jan-Sep 2018

- New fencing at all access points
- Attempted exclusion March (herding)

2019

Trapping attempts (no results)

2020-now

- Camera traps
- Runway inspections
- Fence inspection & maintenance
- Grass cutting program











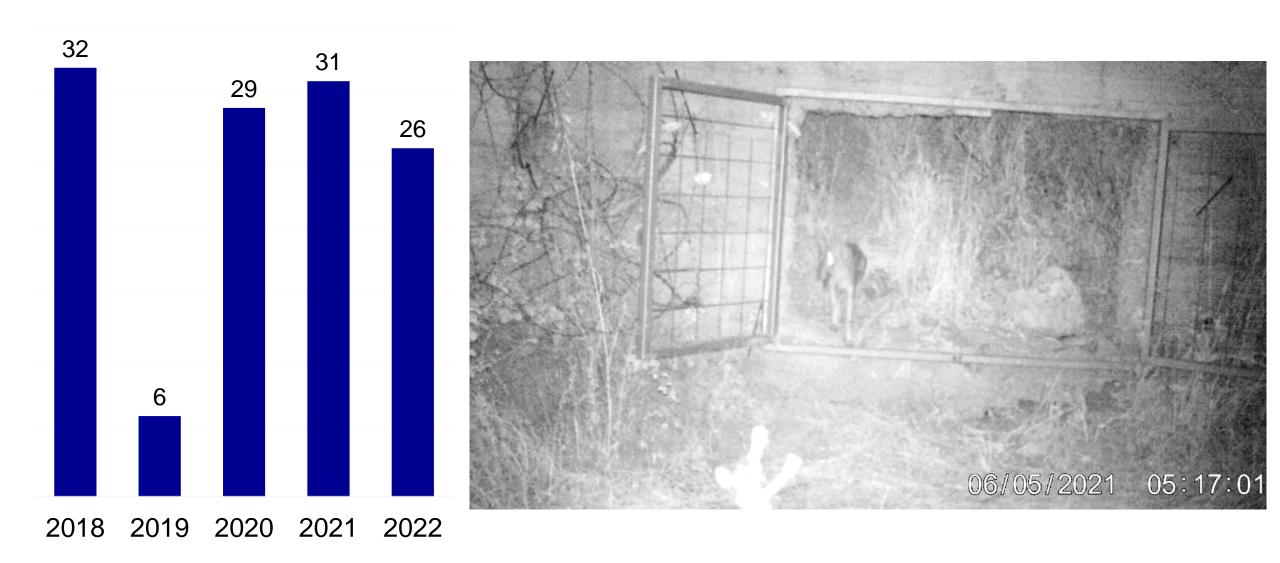








# Observations of Golden jackals at Samos Airport

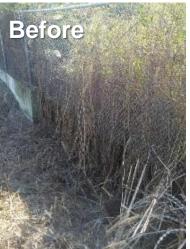


# Habitat Management











# Principles of Sustainable Management of Golden jackals on the Airports Operated by Fraport Greece

- Daily monitoring of Golden jackal individuals and their movements
- Implementation of simple technical means
- Continuous evaluation of the risk they pose to aircraft operations (den sites, behavior)
- Implementation of environmental friendly control measures
- Grass cutting at non-breeding season and fence maintenance
- Pros and cons of their presence
- Continuous assessment of the concept of tolerating the Golden jackals on the airport



As a multi-disciplinary and small-scale project, this study can be used as a model for airport wildlife management.

