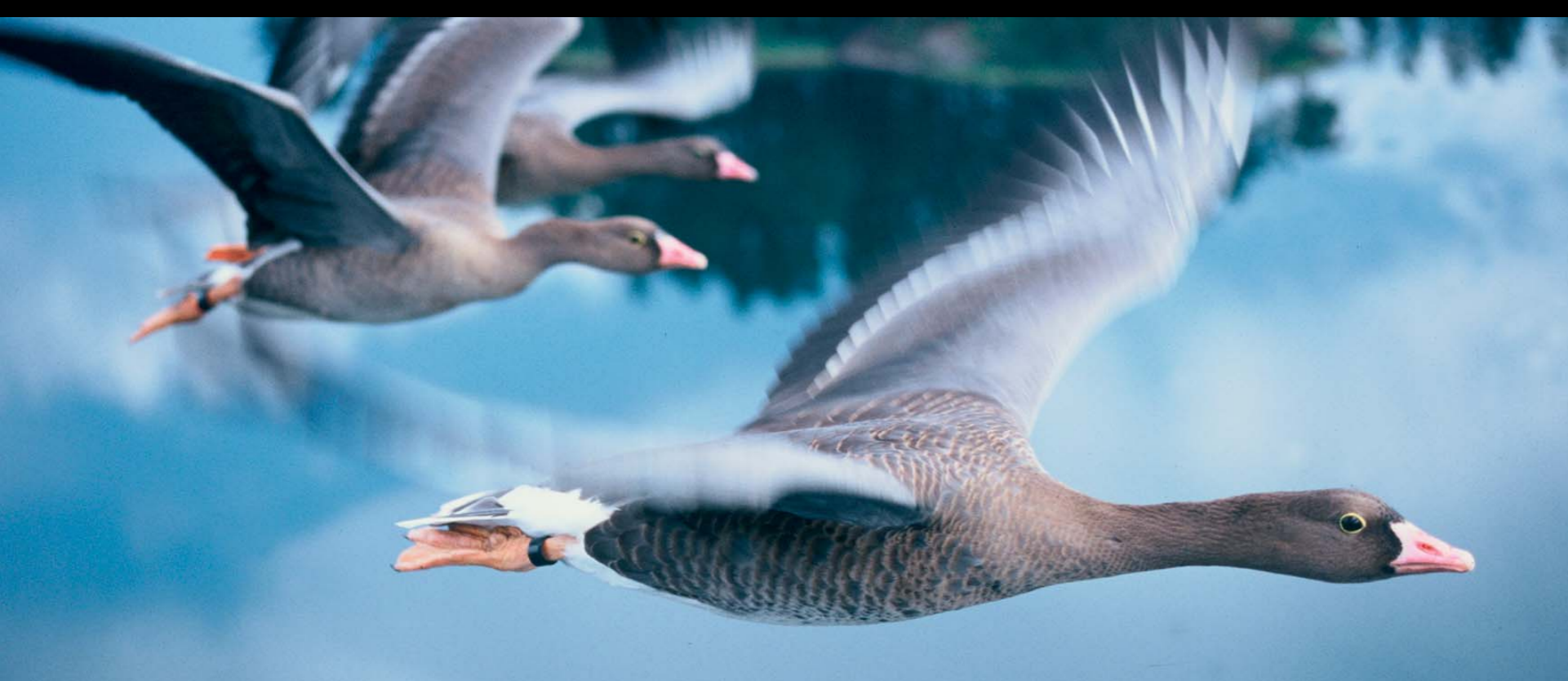




Operation Lesser Whitefront

Safe migratory routes for endangered Lesser White-fronted Geese by help of microlight aircraft



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*The Lesser White-fronted Goose (*Anser erythropus*) is an endangered species. The main threat is hunting along the migratory routes from Eurasian tundra to the wintering sites.*

The world population of the Lesser White-fronted Goose has declined from about 100,000 birds in the 1950's to about 25,000 today. At present the Scandinavian population counts less than 300 geese, i.e. less than 50 breeding pairs.

Geese learn the migratory routes from their parents on their first flight to the wintering area. Human beings can act as foster parents and teach the geese an alternative route.

The main objective of Aktion Zwerggans is to breed Lesser Whitefronts and to guide them on a safe migratory route from Fennoscandia to a safe wintering site.

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