



FACE Resolution on the phasing out of lead shot for hunting in wetlands

Welcoming the fact that in most parts of Europe, the use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands has by now been phased out, or is close to being phased out;

Recognising that such phasing-out is fully in line with the principle of wise and sustainable use of wild resources, contributing to their conservation, as well as with relevant international and European commitments, in particular the *African Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds Agreement* (AEWA) and the Agreement between BirdLife International and FACE on Directive 79/409/EEC;

Re-affirming its *Common Position* of 04.09.2004 on use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands;

Considering that nowadays suitable alternatives for lead shot are increasingly readily available;

Expressing however concern about the apparent lack of progress in certain European countries in taking appropriate measures and initiatives to end the use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands;

The Federation of Associations for Hunting & Conservation FACE and its Members, national hunters' organisations present or represented at the FACE *General Assembly* of the 26th March 2010 in Brussels:

- Undertake to continue to publicly call for the use of lead shot in wetlands to be eliminated and to make available information on suitable alternatives to lead shot.
- Call upon decision takers and policy makers at all relevant levels to put into place, to implement and to enforce – as appropriate – a complete ban on the use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands throughout Europe, and this without undue delay.

Brussels, 26th March 2010