## Announcement

For the last five years, *Bird Conservation International* has been edited by Professor Chris Mason ably assisted by Dr Sheila Mason. During this time, the *Journal* has grown and developed. Publication has been regular and the variety and scope of papers has increased. Editing a journal is a fairly thankless task and BirdLife is extremely grateful to the Masons for the contribution they have made over the last years. *Bird Conservation International* is a unique journal in its field and makes a valuable contribution to promoting study and distributing knowledge especially on globally threatened birds.

From this issue, it is a pleasure to welcome a new editor Dr Seb Buckton. Seb has travelled widely, especially in Asia where he has worked in Hong Kong, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal and Vietnam. He spent a brief period at the BirdLife secretariat working on parts of Threatened Birds of Asia (the Asia red data book). He is currently a Senior Research Officer at The Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust, Slimbridge. BirdLife and Cambridge University Press welcome Seb as the new editor and we look forward to the further development of the Journal.

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