

AS AN INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANISATION OUR CONSTITUTIONAL OBJECTIVES ARE:

1. To represent falconry throughout the world. Falconry is the traditional sport of taking quarry in its natural state and habitat by means of trained birds of prey. It is a hunting art.
2. To preserve and encourage falconry within the context of sustainable use of wildlife.
3. To encourage conservation, the ecological and veterinary research on birds of prey and to promote, under scientific guidance, domestic propagation for falconry.
4. To develop, maintain and amend national and international laws, treaties and conventions to permit the pursuit and perpetuation of falconry.
5. To require the observation of falconry, hunting, conservation and welfare laws, regulations, traditions and culture with regard to the taking, import, export and keeping of birds of prey, the taking of quarry species and the right of access to land in the country concerned.
6. To promote and uphold a positive public image of falconry with specialist organisations which regulate or otherwise affect falconry.

SOME MAJOR EVENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE IAF:



Our organization is dedicated to the preservation of the ancient art of falconry, a hunting tradition defined as 'taking quarry in its natural state and habitat by means of trained birds of prey'. Preserving falconry involves maintaining not only the traditional culture that builds practical skills of empathy with animals, but also the conservation of raptors and their prey through preservation of natural habitats. We therefore encourage falconry within the context of sustainable use of wildlife.

We also promote ecological studies and veterinary research on birds of prey and, where appropriate, domestic breeding of raptors for falconry, including such species as Peregrine falcons, Goshawks, Saker and Gyr falcons and all other species of raptors in whatever part of the world they may be used for falconry and hunting. In our site, you will find pages on the history of falconry and its role in conservation, its contribution to culture as well as details of how modern falconry is practised. You can visit our extensive Global Membership list, and read about our worldwide activities in the IAF Newsletter.



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FOR FALCONRY AND
CONSERVATION OF BIRDS OF PREY**

IAF is an accredited IAGI providing advisory services to  Intangible Cultural Heritage Committee (UNESCO 2003)
IAF has CITES accreditation and is an accredited member of IUCN, the International Union for the Conservation of Nature 



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