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Steve Redpath is Professor in Conservation Science at Aberdeen University and Director of the Aberdeen Centre for Environmental Sustainability (ACES). His work has focused on long-term and large-scale field systems, to explore the impact of population processes and land use on individual behaviour, populations and communities. He has worked extensively in the uplands, and together with Simon Thirgood led the original Langholm project. He is currently exploring the impact of grazing on upland ecosystems and the role of parasites and behaviour in driving Red Grouse population cycles.

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Alan has been employed as a moorland gamekeeper for over 30 years. In this time he has worked on various estates with a wide diversity of moorland habitats. His knowledge of managing moorland is extensive and in 1988 the Joseph Nickerson award for good moorland management was achieved in recognition of good practice. He helped to put together the first Moorland Management package for the Higher Level Scheme application in the North of England. He has managed SSSI, SPA, NNR and a host of agri environment schemes all with the intention of improving the habitat for both flora and fauna. He is currently the chairman of the NGO moorland branch which involves him with decision makers at the highest level. He is also a member of the council of the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust.

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Mick Crawley is Professor of Plant Ecology at Imperial College London. His research focuses on plant-animal interactions and is concerned with the inter-related questions of how feeding by animals influences the distribution and abundance of plants, and how the quantity and quality of plant food influences the distribution and abundance of animals. Aliens and biological invasions are other themes in his work. He is the botanical recorder for Berkshire and chair of the Science and Research Committee of the Botanical Society of the British Isles.

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Simon Thirgood is a Senior Scientist at the Macaulay Institute and an Honorary Reader at the Aberdeen Centre for Environmental Sustainability, a joint initiative with Aberdeen University. His research is at the interface of behavioural, population and community ecology and its application to biodiversity conservation. Thirgood leads a biodiversity research programme for the Scottish Government and coordinates an EU project on sustainable hunting in Europe and Africa. He has published 4 books and ~80 journal papers and book chapters. Thirgood is Senior Editor of Journal of Applied Ecology and Associate Editor of the African Journal of Ecology and Wildlife Biology.

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