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This book is the first to explore the diversity of management objectives and the different approaches to wildlife management of large ungulates in a wide range of European countries.

Specialist authors from each country present an analysis of the species present, numerical status and distribution of the different ungulates that occur in their particular country and consider issues which must be addressed by management (whether management for conservation, for control of damaging impacts or for exploitation). Management systems are described (and both legislative and administrative structures) together with an evaluation of how effective current management practices may be in addressing the problems identified – or the extent to which they may contribute to those problems. The book is aimed primarily at those who may be actively involved in research into improving methods of wildlife management; practising wildlife managers and game-keepers; policymakers in local regional or national administrations responsible for formulating policies.

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