



# AfriBiRds: Upscaling landbird monitoring in Africa

'African Biosphere Reserves as pilot sites for monitoring and conservation of migratory birds'

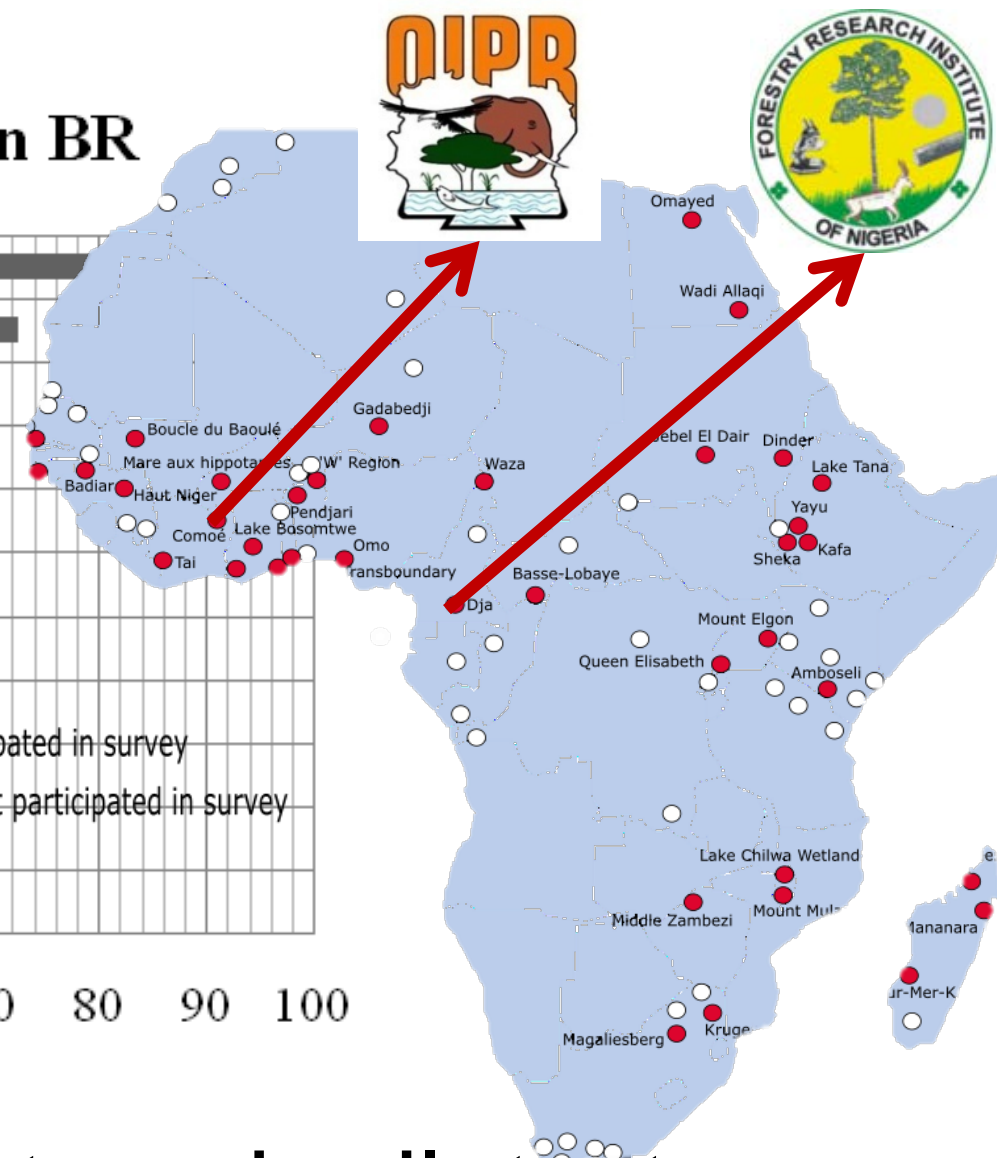
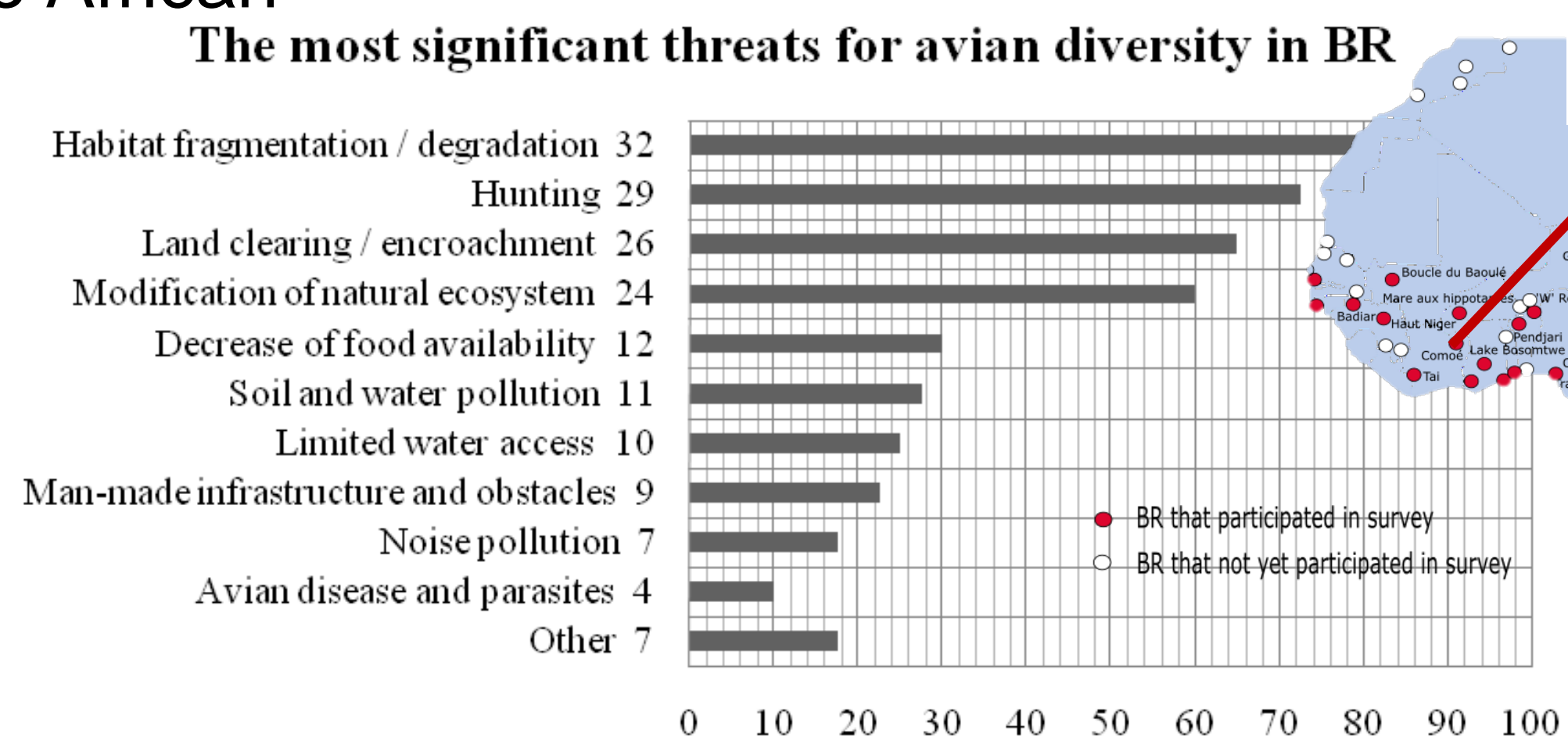
## AfriBiRds develops

a pilot scheme for **long-term monitoring of common bird populations** with a focus on Palaearctic migrants. Implemented in two African biosphere reserves as a template for replication for other protected area and the wider landscape, AfriBiRds aims in contributing to fill the knowledge gap for better understanding causes of declining species



## AfriBiRds top achievements

### 1. Continental review of bird monitoring potential/limitation in UNESCO AfriMAB



### 2. Training workshop at each pilot site



## AfriBiRds networks with

1. **43 African Biosphere Reserves** surveyed and **16 trained** on Bird monitoring
2. **6 BirdLife International** organizations
3. an expertise pool from an **advisory committee** represented by:



## AfriBiRds supports

1. the integration of the African-Eurasian Migratory Landbirds Action Plan (**AEMLAP**) from the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (**CMS**)
2. the **UN** implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity (**CBD**)
3. the "Life on Land" Sustainable Development Goal (**SDG15**)
4. the African Biosphere Reserves from **UNESCO** Man and the Biosphere Program
5. the emergence of an **African Bird Census Council** and **Atlas**

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### 3. 1<sup>st</sup> pilot bird count campaign results

8 point counts along a 2,8 km transect lines in randomly selected sample squares (4,5x4,5 km)  
 1475 observations, 183 species in Ivory Coast  
 2508 observations 93 species in Nigeria

### 4. Monitoring toolkit teaches how to

- Set common bird monitoring scheme
- Introduce field observation equipment's
- Field report via open source cloud tool
- Validate counting/identification protocol
- Develop bird conservation strategy

### 5. Web open-source data archive & exchange analysis platform

The project uses observation.org to share raw results for research applications

