

14th MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
10–13 April 2018, Bonn, Germany

PROVISIONAL WORK PROGRAMME

10 April 2018 (Tuesday)

Morning session: 09.00-12.30h

1. Opening
2. Welcome addresses
3. Adoption of the Agenda and Work Programme
4. Admission of Observers
5. Report of the Chair
6. Reports by the Regional Representatives
7. Reports by the Technical Committee representatives to other processes
8. Report by the Secretariat

Lunch break: 12.30-14.00h

Afternoon session: 14.00-18.00h

9. Conservation Status Report (7th edition) and Draft Amendments to the Agreement and its Annexes
 10. AEWA International Species Action Plans and Management Plans
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11 April 2018 (Wednesday)

Morning session: 09.00-12.30h

11. Seabirds
12. Waterbird Monitoring
13. Guidance on the Implementation of the Agreement
14. Other Draft Documents and Resolutions for MOP7

Lunch break: 12.30-14.00h

Afternoon session: 14.00-18.00h

- 15. TC Working Group 1 (Field of Application)
 - 16. TC Working Group 8 (Strategic, Reporting, Emerging and other Issues)
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12 April 2018 (Thursday)

Morning session: 09.00-12.00h

- 17. TC Working Groups 2 (Species Conservation) and 3 (Habitat Conservation)

Lunch break event: 12.00-14.00h

(Climate change implications in Africa's wetlands for biodiversity and people – room 2105)

Afternoon session: 14.00-18.00h

- 18. TC Working Groups 4 (Management of Human Activities) and 5 (Research and Monitoring)
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13 April 2018 (Friday)

Morning session: 09.00-12.30h

- 19. TC Working Groups 6 (Education and Information) and 7 (Implementation)

Lunch break: 12.30-14.00h

Afternoon session: 14.00-17.00h

- 20. TC Work Plan 2019-2021
- 21. Date and Venue of the next Technical Committee Meeting
- 22. Any other Business
- 23. Closure



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AEWA Technical Committee 13.04.2018 Bird monitoring and conservation for African Biosphere Reserves

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Project Introduction

Objectives

- Develop and implement a pilot scheme for long-term monitoring of bird populations including Palaearctic migrants in African biosphere reserves as a template for application in other biosphere reserves and the wider landscape
- Supports
 1. the integration of the African-Eurasian Migratory Landbirds Action Plan (AEM LAP) 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 monitoring of the African Biosphere Reserves from UNESCO’s Man and the Biosphere Programme (MAB).



Project Introduction

Factsheets

- **Duration:** from Dec. 2016 to Aug. 2019
- **Budget:** 80 % BfN-BMUB // 20 % NABU
- **Financed Staff (part-time) :** 6: 1 NABU, 3 BirdLife, 1 Sos Fôrets, 1 NCF
- **Funder:** Bundesamt für Naturschutz - BfN - Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Naturschutz, Bau und Reaktorsicherheit - BMUB –
- **Project Advisory Committee:** 20 membered organizations conveyed annually to a virtual meeting



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

Project Highlight (1)

Bird monitoring surveys African biosphere reserves

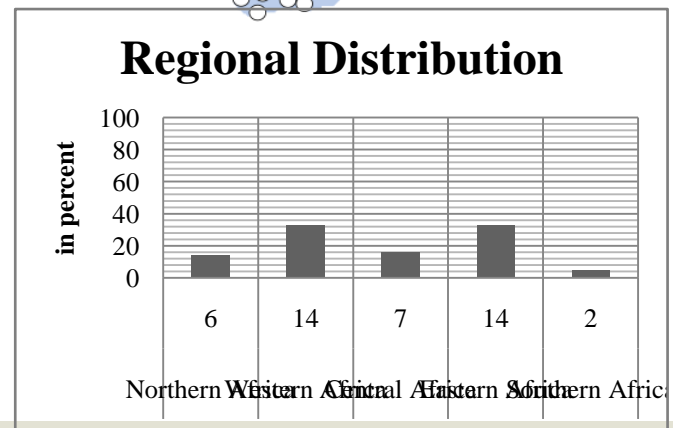
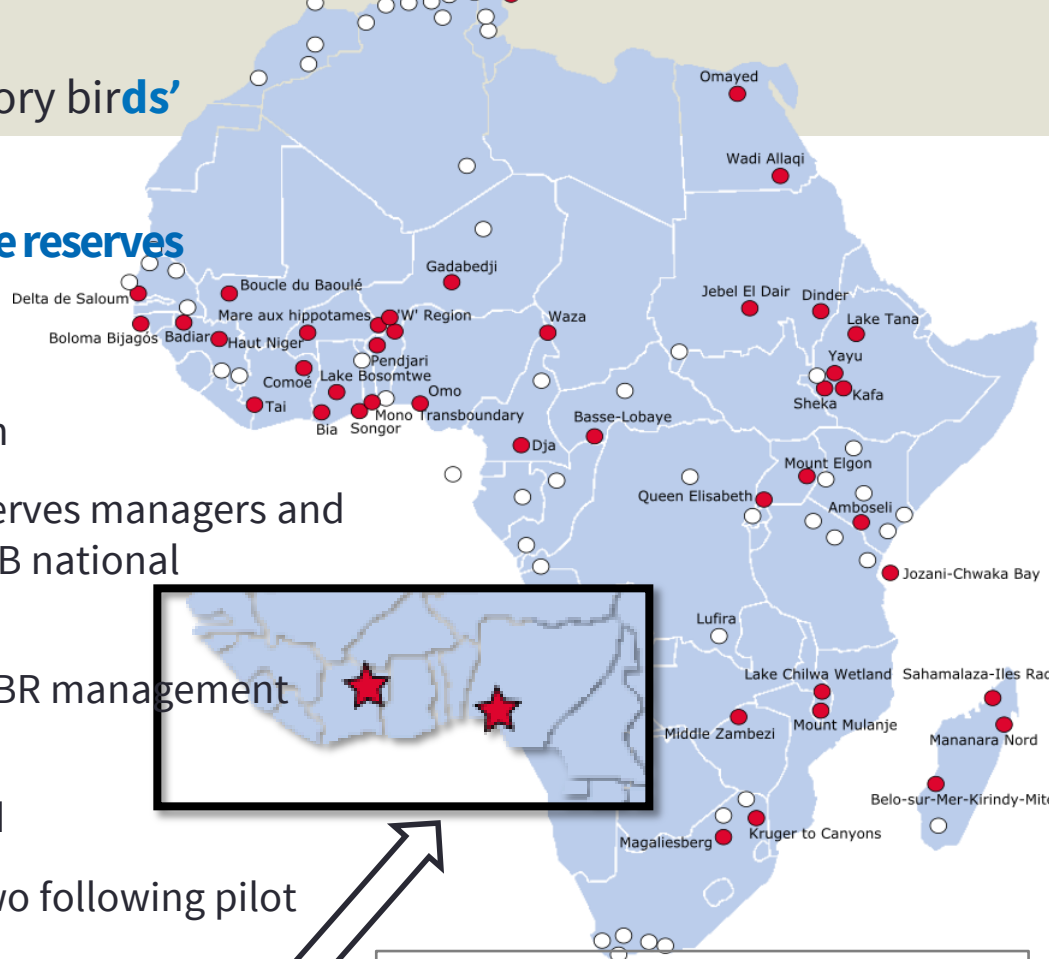
- Design of a survey in French and English
- Networking with African Biosphere Reserves managers and with representatives of the UNESCO MAB national committee
- Reply of 43 (red dots on map) out of 97 BR management units in Africa
- Outcomes post-processed and reported
- Multi weighted criteria to identify the two following pilot sites:

Comoé (Côte d'Ivoire), Omo (Nigeria)

Results to be released online in WP1 AfriBiRds report

Plan for a scientific publication by the end of the project

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Project Highlight (2)

Training workshop at pilot case studies

Workshop 1: Comoé National Park, Côte d'Ivoire (21–28.01.2018)

- 38 participants with 6 African nationalities (Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Kenya, Niger, Rwanda)
- 8 Biosphere Reserves
- 5 Ivoirian research organizations active in monitoring
- 2 national agencies having monitoring in their portfolio
- 4 BirdLife partners and 1 other environmental NGO

Workshop 2: Omo Biosphere Reserve, Nigeria (29.01–03.02.2018)

- 29 participants with 5 African nationalities (Ethiopia, Ghana, Nigeria, Kenya, Rwanda)
- 8 Biosphere Reserves
- 2 Nigerian research organization active in monitoring
- 1 regional agency having monitoring in their portfolio
- 4 BirdLife partners and 1 other environmental NGO

Collaborative support from GiZ Ethiopia, Benin, Côte d'Ivoire



Project Highlight (3)

Training workshop at pilot case studies

Workshop contents

- Introduction on bird monitoring initiatives: AfriBiRds / Common Bird Monitoring Scheme / Waterbird counts / IBA / Bird Atlas
- How to plan the setting of “AfriBiRds” Common Bird Monitoring Scheme ?
- How to use observation.org as supportive monitoring tool ?
- How to use monitoring equipments in the field to identify birds and insert correctly observations into a bird monitoring protocol ?
- How to develop bird monitoring and conservation program in African Biosphere Reserves ?

French and English Monitoring toolkits are already shared with the workshop participants and will be released online soon for all active African Biosphere reserves as guidelines and worked out demonstration schemes for effective common bird monitoring



Project upcoming

Expected results and long term vision

- Implement, test and refine the monitoring and conservation framework for birds in pilot case studies
- Promote the use of the project materials for a broader implementation across Africa (in other BR and on national level)
- Accompany the expansion of the African Bird Atlas initiative
- Participate to the emergence of a Pan-African Common Bird Monitoring Scheme (PECBMS) and an African Bird Census Council ?



Thank you for your attention !

And thanks to Nicola for presenting on behalf of AfriBiRds. Feel free to contact us for additional infos



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