

Status of Birds in the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Nairobi Convention Area: Regional Synthesis Report



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- Provide an objective and scientific basis for listing birds in the Protocol Concerning Endangered Wild Fauna and Flora in the East Africa Region
- Provide information on the status of birds and the key habitats in the region
- Use information on birds to extrapolate the status of the wider ecosystems in the WIO region

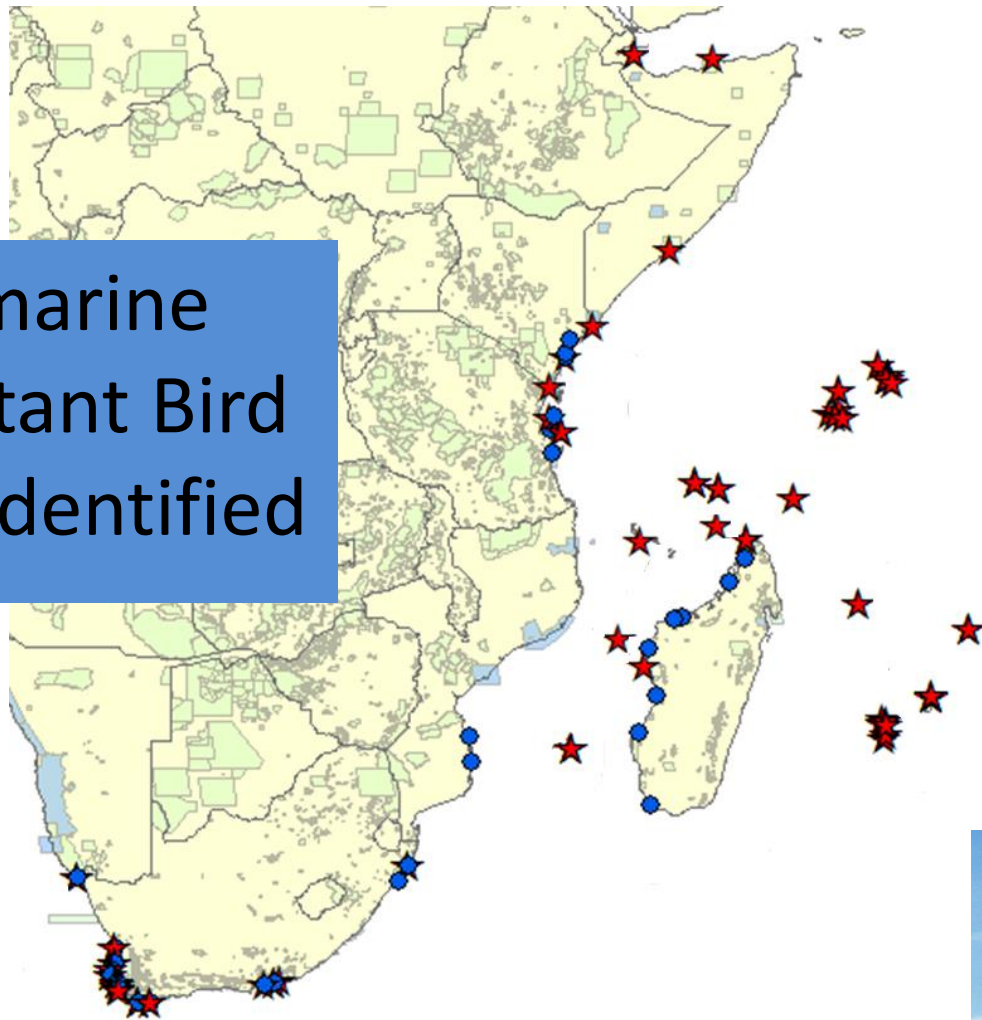
- 108 species of concern to be listed in Annex II
- The major threats are:
 - Invasive Alien Species
 - Agricultural expansion
 - Climate change
 - Biological resource use
 - Lack of enforcement capacity



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Key findings

53 marine
Important Bird
Areas identified



1. Replace bird species currently listed in Annex II with the updated bird list
2. Review the species lists of other taxa listed in the protocol.
3. Prioritise conservation efforts on the 108 species proposed and their habitats
4. Strengthen the protection of species proposed and candidate marine IBAs nationally and at site level





5. Review regional conservation actions and policies to encompass the High Seas
6. Establish clear links between the Nairobi Convention and the complementary Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)
7. Establish a network of bird experts in the region to advise on bird protection

Regional cooperation is required to tackle the following threats:

1. Alien Invasive species
2. Offshore oil and gas exploration
3. Oil shipping
4. Fisheries management
5. Integrate environmental and sustainability considerations into economic development



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