

# BON Development: National Needs and Approaches 9th GEOSS AP Symposium 12.01.17 - Tokyo, Japan



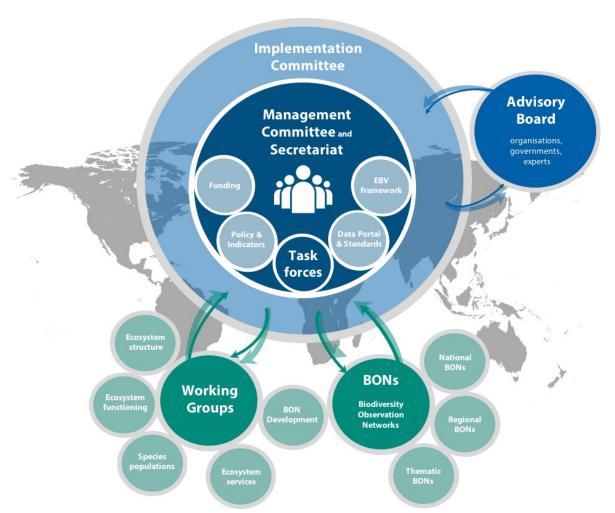
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# GEO BON governance and core focus



Developing a standard and flexible framework for biodiversity observations

Supporting the development of Biodiversity Observation Networks

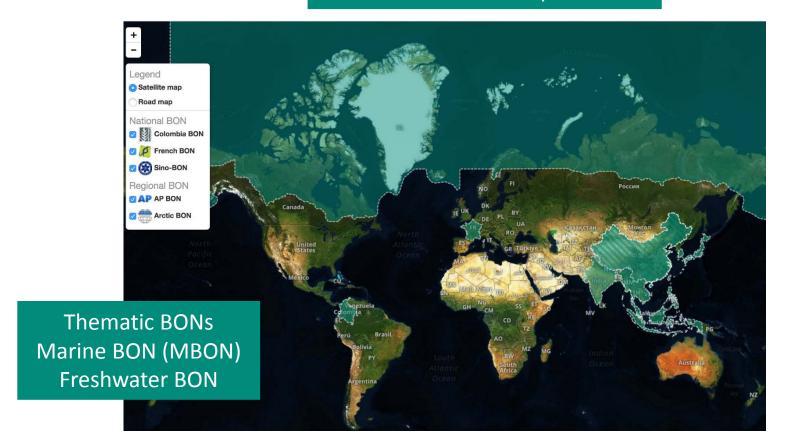
Producing policy relevant outputs



# Supporting the development of BONs

Mission: Contribute to the **collection** and **analysis** of **harmonised biodiversity observations**, the development of integrated and interoperable **biodiversity monitoring programs**, the de

BON Endorsement process





# GEO BON Side Event at COP 13 06.12.16, Cancun Mexico

- China BON Prof. Haigen Xu and Dr. Xiaoqiang Lu
- 2. Colombia BON Dr. Maria Cecilia Londoño
- 3. Lesson learned Dr. Mike Gill









CHINA NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY
CONSERVATION STRATEGY AND
ACTION PLAN
中国生物多样性

保护战略与行动计划

# China Biodiversity Observation Network

Prof. Haigen Xu and Dr. Xiaoqiang Lu

Nanjing Institute of Environmental Sciences (NIES)

- Chinese Biodiversity Conversation Strategy and Action Plan (2011-2030)
- → Establishing a National Biodiversity Observation Network





Birds
Amphibians
Mammals
Butterflies
Vascular plants







**Indicators:** 

Species richness

species abundance

Spatial distribution

Habitats

Human disturbance



# **China Biodiversity Observation Network**

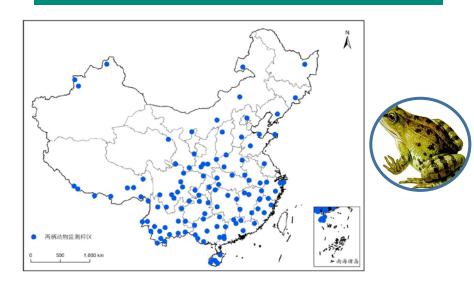
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## Breeding bird monitoring

# | 関例 - 繁順寺野柱 - 野校 0 250 500 1,000 km

As of 2016, 348 monitoring sites with >1500 line transects and >1200 point transects

### **Amphibian Monitoring sites**



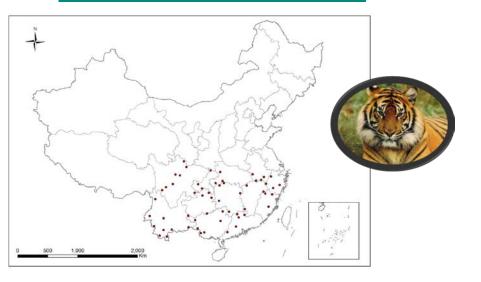
As of 2016, 117 monitoring sites. Monitoring with artificial refugia, pitfalls, line transects, quadrat sampling, artificial cover



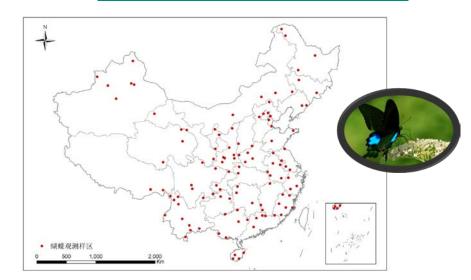
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### **Mammal monitoring**



## **Butterfly Monitoring**



58 monitoring sites, with 60 cameras per site, totalling 3480 cameras

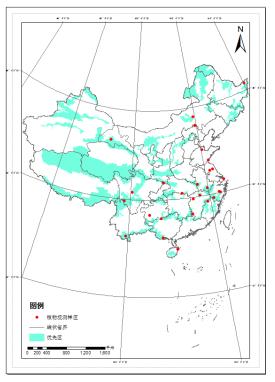
As of 2016, 130 monitoring sites, with 650 line transects, totaling 1236 km



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## Vascular plants





#### **Development process of the China BON:**

- 1. Establish a preliminary observation network covering birds, amphibians, mammals, butterflies and vascular plants.
- 2. Build the monitoring staff composed of scientists, students and volunteer.
- 3. Promulgate monitoring standards.
- 4. Build (and maintain) large database.

As of 2016, 27monitoring sites, totalling 50 plots





## Colombian Biodiversity Observation System.





National, Local and
subnational
Environmental
Authorities

Research Institutes
Humboldt, Sinchi, IDEAM, IIAP,
INVEMAR







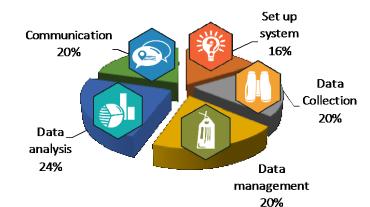


#### Colombia BON

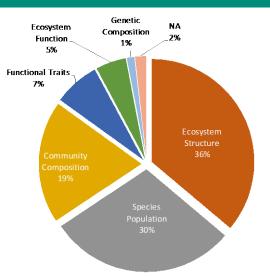
# Maria Cecilia Londoño Alexander Von Humboldt Institute

#### **Assessment of available tools**

- September to December 2015 Inventory and Diagnosis of Biodiversity Observation Tools → 117 tools identified
- January 2017 Addition of tools in BON in a Box



## Assessment of Data availability per EBV class



#### **Strengths**

 Species population, community composition and ecosystem structure have enough information for integration into Biodiversity Observation System

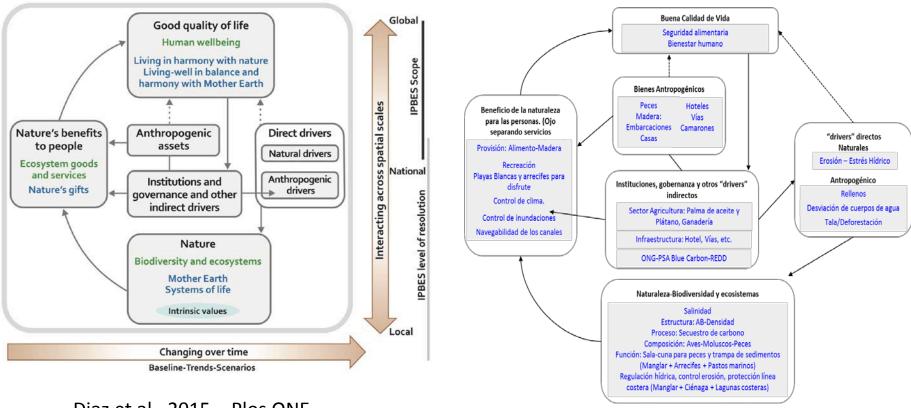
#### Weaknesses

- Not enough on functional traits and ecosystem function
- Still a long way to go in genetic composition





### From assessments to Observation Systems



Diaz et al., 2015 - Plos ONE





#### **ROAD MAP of the Colombia BON**

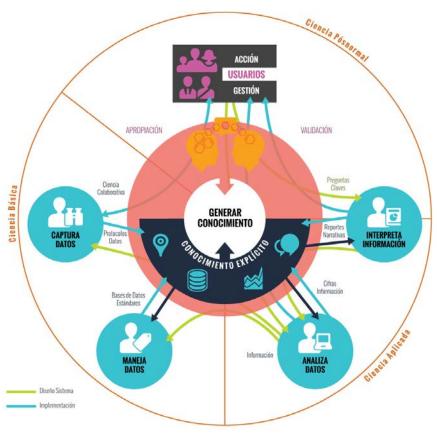
Phase	Step	Type of meeting	Participants
Commitment and Valuation	1. Authorization		National Government
	2. Establish a core team	Meeting	Core team
	3. Define the units of analysis (regions)	Workshops	Core team
	4. Formation of regional working groups	Meeting	Regional team
	5. Identification of the users' needs and development of the conceptual model	Meeting and Workshops	Regional team
Design	6. Formation of the extended working group	Workshops	Extended working group
	7. Inventory of data, tools, and monitoring platforms	Workshops	Extended working group
	8. Establish the methods for the capture of biodiversity data	Workshops	Extended working group
	9. Develop optimum sampling frames or designs	Workshops	Extended working group
	10. Define the data management, analysis and reporting	Workshops	Extended working group
Analysis	11. Develop the implementation plan	Meeting and Workshops	Extended working group
	12. Reports and Synthesis	Meeting and Workshops	Extended working group
	13. Strengthening of the process	Meeting and Workshops	Extended working group





#### The vision for the Colombia BON:

→ Build and maintain active a **Community of Practice** 



#### The role of GEO BON?

- Identify: national needs and opportunities for addressing them.
- Connect institutions and people.
- Develop guidelines and tools that are missing.



# Lessons Learned: Qualities of a Successful Biodiversity Observation Network

Dr Mike Gill - GEO BON Vice-Chair

- 1. **Mandate**: clear need and authorizing environment for the BON and clearly articulated objectives;
- 2. Policy Relevant: direct connections to decision and policy-making;
- 3. Continual Results: early, targeted, frequent and value-added outputs for scientists, policy-makers and the public;
- 4. **Inclusive:** involves a network of diverse and active contributors (recruit young scientists!);
- 5. **Realistic**: starts small and builds on existing monitoring/observation capacity and information;
- **6. Focused:** maintains focus on key variables and prioritize new observation efforts;





# Lessons Learned: Qualities of a Successful Biodiversity Observation Network

- 7. Simple: simple, efficient internal governance;
- 8. Complete: data management, analysis and reporting are built into the original design and are budgeted for;
- Interoperable: utilizes common standards, collection protocols and tools;
- **10. Integrated:** with research to allow for attribution (identifying drivers of biodiversity change);
- 11. Flexible: allow for the possibility of adjustments and for the network to be designed to meet locally relevant needs; and,
- 12. Manage Risk: maintains diverse and leveraged funding sources to increase the chances for sustained operation.



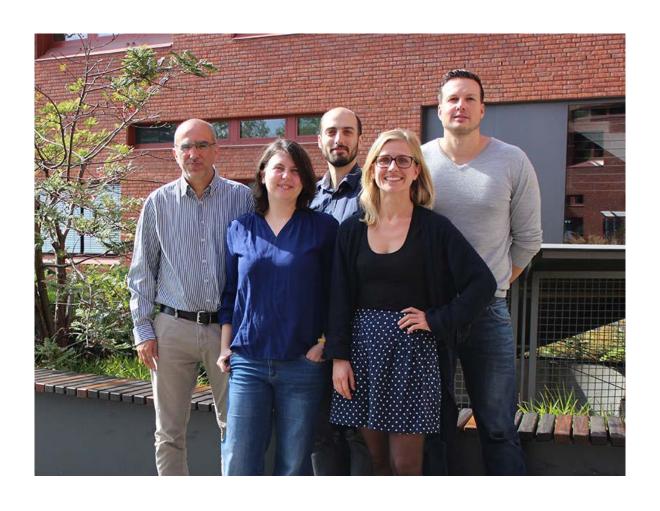






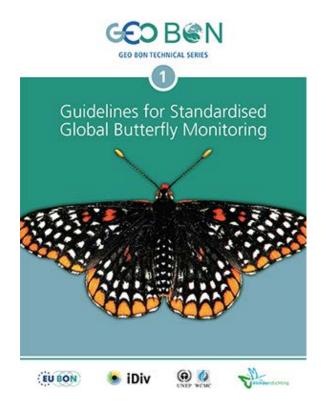


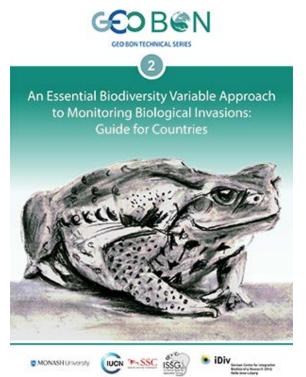
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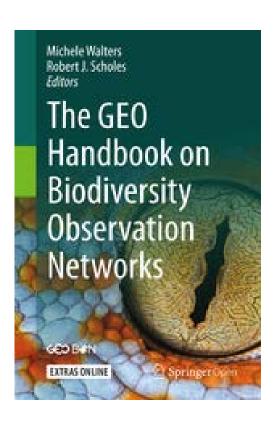




## Communication and information sharing









# Online platform for sharing tools and protocols

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# BON IN A BOX

Improving
Capacity for
Biodiversity
Conservation

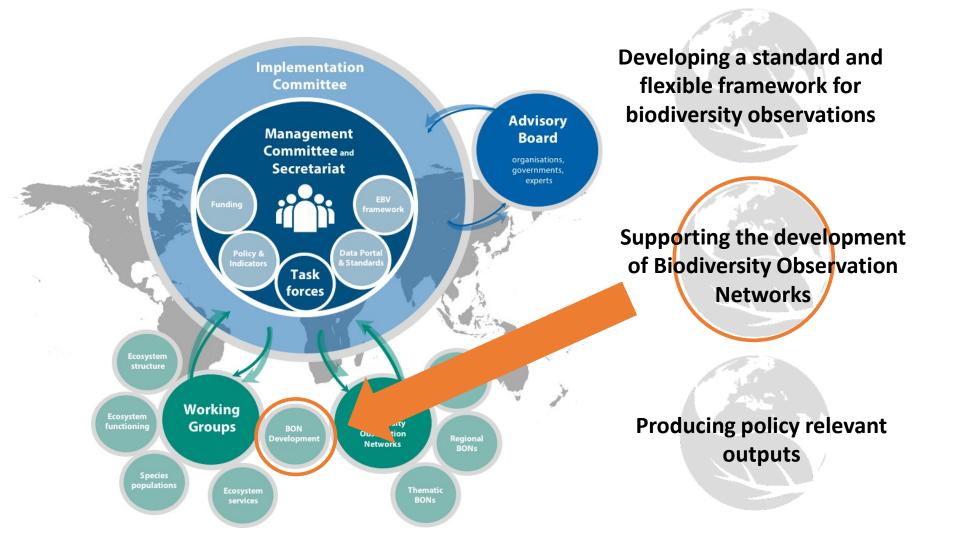


BON in a Box (Biodiversity Observation Network in a Box) is a customizable and continually updated toolkit. It provides access to the latest biodiversity observation design, data collection protocols, and dat management, analysis and reporting tools. It serves as a technology transfer and capacity building mechanism to ensure you have access to the best and most up-to-date tools and technologies for building a biodiversity observation system.

BON in a Box connects tools users and developers to promote ongoing tool improvements and the development of new tools. The goal is to lower the threshold for the start-up or enhancement of a biodiversity observation networks and support more effective conservation actions through the improved supply of quality biodiversity data. BON in a Box is a Group on Earth Observations — Biodiversity Observation Network initiative and the development of this Latin American regional version was led by Colombia's Alexander von Humboldt Institute.

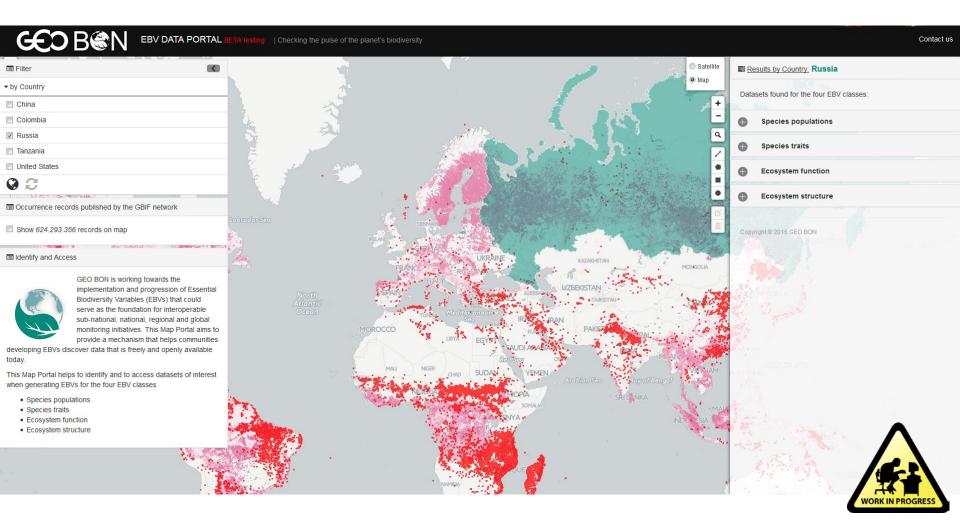


# **BON Development Working Group**





# Translating data into information: EBV Data Portal





# Policy relevant outputs



# SUSTAINABLE GOALS





#### **Global Biodiversity Change Indicators**

Model-based integration of remote-sensing & in situ observations that enables dynamic updates and transparency at low cost















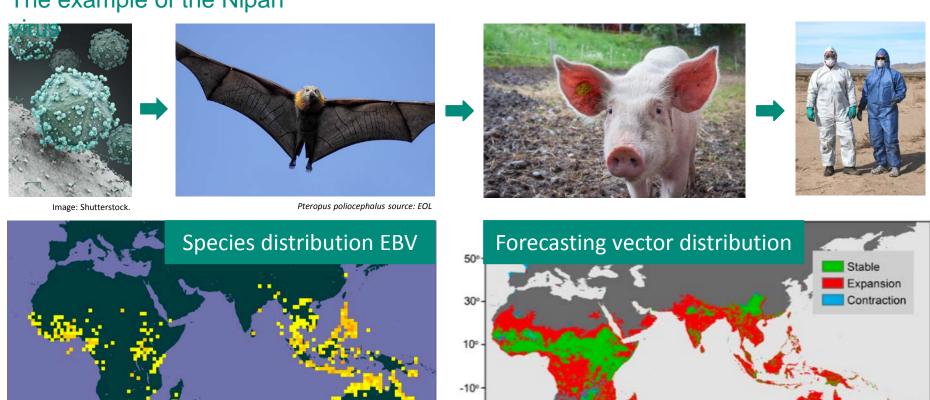






# Integrating health and biodiversity monitoring

#### The example of the Nipah



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Source: Global Biodiversity
Information Facility

Source: Daszak et al. 2013, PNAS



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