



CALL FOR SCIENTIFIC CONTRIBUTIONS

Reassessment of Key Biodiversity Areas (KBAs) in Cameroon

As part of the implementation of the Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA) framework in Cameroon, *Forêts et Développement Rural (FODER)*, in partnership with BirdLife International and the KBA Secretariat, is launching a call for scientific contributions to support the reassessment of the 38 KBAs in Cameroon.

1. Objective

This call aims to mobilize robust, georeferenced, and well-documented scientific data to update the information required for applying the global KBA criteria (IUCN KBA Standard) and to ensure a rigorous reassessment of these sites.

2. Types of Data Requested

Contributions may include, but are not limited to:

◇ Biological Data

- Species occurrence data (presence/absence, abundance)
- Data on threatened species (IUCN Red List)
- Data on endemic or range-restricted species
- Data on species aggregations (breeding, migration, feeding)

◇ Ecological and Habitat Data

- Habitat and ecosystem mapping
- Data on habitat conservation status
- Data on pressures and threats (deforestation, fragmentation, exploitation)

◇ Spatial Data






- GPS coordinates
- Shapefiles, raster datasets, thematic maps
- Boundaries or updates of existing KBAs

◇ Documentary Sources

- Technical reports
- Scientific publications
- Theses and dissertations
- Unpublished datasets

3. Minimum Technical Requirements

Submitted data should, as far as possible, include:

-  Precise location (geographic coordinates – WGS84 recommended)
-  Date or period of data collection
-  Data collection methodology (protocols, tools)
-  Source and validation level of the data
-  Usable formats (Excel, CSV, shapefile, PDF, etc.)

4. Reference to KBA Criteria

Where possible, contributions should support the following KBA criteria:

- **A:** Threatened biodiversity
- **B:** Geographically restricted biodiversity
- **C:** Ecological integrity
- **D:** Biological processes
- **E:** Quantitative irreplaceability

5. Submission Modalities

Contributions should be submitted:

via the structured submission form  <https://forms.gle/srzPcNU4aDP45piz9>

- or by email to: Christelle.kouetcha@foder.org

6. Data Use and Acknowledgment

- Contributors will be engaged in the reassessment process
- Data will be used in accordance with principles of transparency, traceability, and proper attribution
- All uses will include appropriate acknowledgment of contributors

7. Strategic Importance

This reassessment will contribute to :

- Strengthening the scientific basis for conservation decision-making
- Improving prioritization of critical sites
- Supporting national and international biodiversity commitments

ANNEX – List of the 38 KBAs in Cameroon

| N° | Pays | Sites |
|----|----------|---|
| 1 | Cameroon | Bakossi Mountains |
| 2 | Cameroon | Bali-Ngamba Forest Reserve |
| 3 | Cameroon | Bamboutos Mountains |
| 4 | Cameroon | Banyang Mbo Wildlife Sanctuary |
| 5 | Cameroon | Bénoué National Park |
| 6 | Cameroon | Boumba - Bek |
| 7 | Cameroon | Campo Ma'an complex |
| 8 | Cameroon | Dja Faunal Reserve |
| 9 | Cameroon | Eastern Bamenda highlands and associated hydrobasin |
| 10 | Cameroon | Eastern Slopes of Rumpi Hills |
| 11 | Cameroon | Faro National Park |
| 12 | Cameroon | Gashiga - Demsa |
| 13 | Cameroon | Kalamaloué National Park |
| 14 | Cameroon | Korup National Park |
| 15 | Cameroon | Lake Maga |
| 16 | Cameroon | Lobéké National Park |
| 17 | Cameroon | Logone flood-plain |
| 18 | Cameroon | Mayo-Louti Forest Reserve |
| 19 | Cameroon | Mbam Djerem National Park |
| 20 | Cameroon | Mbam Minkom - Kala |
| 21 | Cameroon | Mbi Crater Faunal Reserve - Mbingo forest |
| 22 | Cameroon | Mont Bana |
| 23 | Cameroon | Mont Manengouba |
| 24 | Cameroon | Mont Nganha |
| 25 | Cameroon | Mont Nlonako |
| 26 | Cameroon | Mount Cameroon and Mokoko-Onge |
| 27 | Cameroon | Mount Kupe |
| 28 | Cameroon | Mount Lefo |
| 29 | Cameroon | Mount Mbam |
| 30 | Cameroon | Mount Oku |
| 31 | Cameroon | Mount Rata and Rumpi Hills Forest Reserve |
| 32 | Cameroon | Ngaoundaba Ranch |
| 33 | Cameroon | Njinsing - Tabenken |
| 34 | Cameroon | Nki National Park |
| 35 | Cameroon | Santchou Faunal Reserve |
| 36 | Cameroon | Tchabal-Mbabo |
| 37 | Cameroon | Waza National Park |
| 38 | Cameroon | Yabassi |

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