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## THE NATIONAL REDLIT OF FISH FOR BURKINA FASO

## Science for Effective Policy

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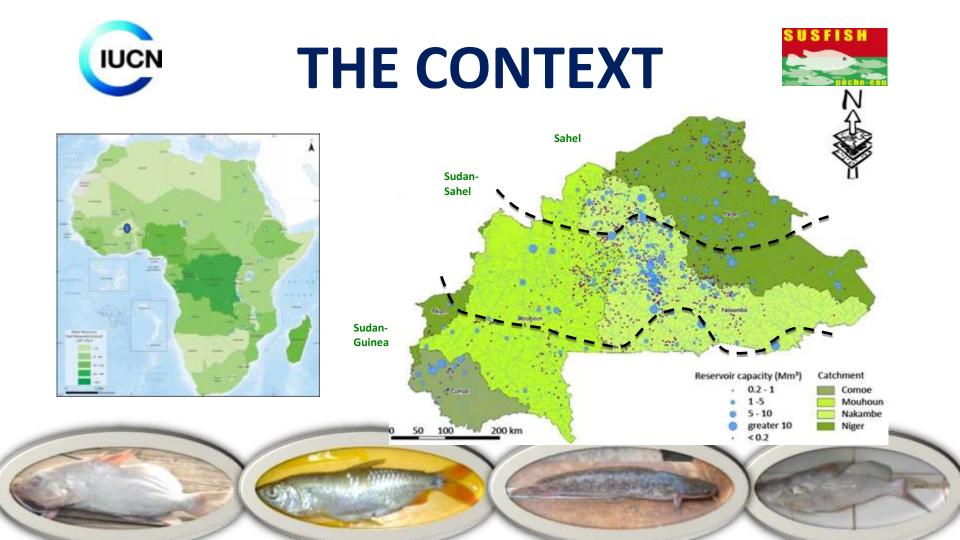
# **OBJECTIVES**



Share the experience of national redlisting of fish species in Burkina Faso

 Finding best ways for accelerating the process for other species in other West African countries







# **THE CHALLENGES**



- List of national fish species
- Status of conservation of species
- Tools for Bio monitoring of aquatic ecosystems
- Tools for public awareness and governance





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# THE APPROACH



**Ecosystems** 

**Species diversity** 

**Conservation status** 

**Fish assemblages** 

Water quality

Indicators of biointegrity



National policies

Fisherman' knowledge

Institutions for governance

Fisheries, health and food security

Systems Analysis & Scenario development



### A national list of 152 species described and 145 Assessed

| Data Deficiency       | 41 |      |
|-----------------------|----|------|
| Least Concern         | 59 |      |
| Near Threatened       | 14 | 2    |
| Vulnerable            | 22 | Hete |
| Endangered            | 7  |      |
| Critically endangered | 2  |      |
| Threatened = 21%      |    | P    |



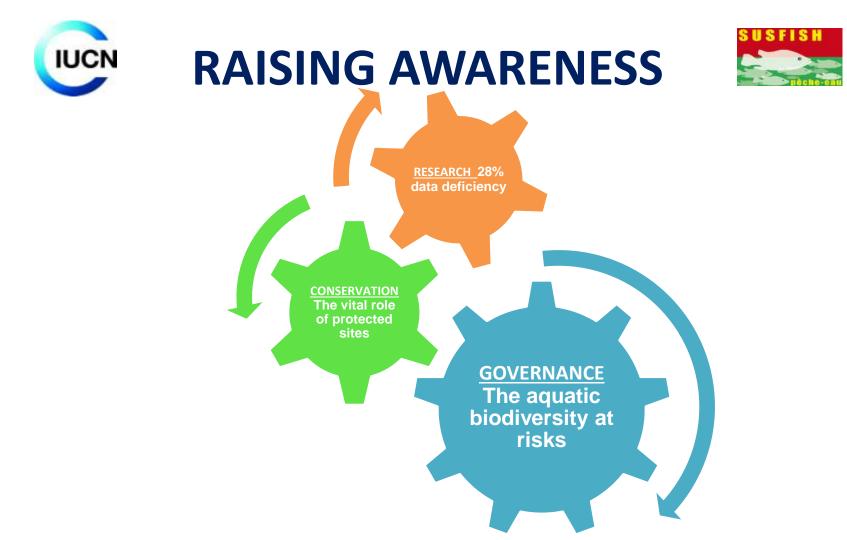
Heterobranchus isopterus



**Clarotes laticeps** 



- Auchenoglanis gen. and Hydrocynus gen. as sentinel genera (not found in areas of high anthropogenic impact)
- **Clarias sp. and Sarothorodon sp.** increase with pressures, unlike other species
- *Tilapia*, correlate positively with hydro-morphological pressure





LESSONS



• National Red list, a prerequisite for effective conservation policies

• Integrating the Redlist in a holistic research approach for effective linkages between Science and policy.







- Expanding partnership for accelerating the national red-lists assessments in West Africa:
  - Welcoming new partners
  - Sharing Experience in mainstreaming the red-list results into the national strategies





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