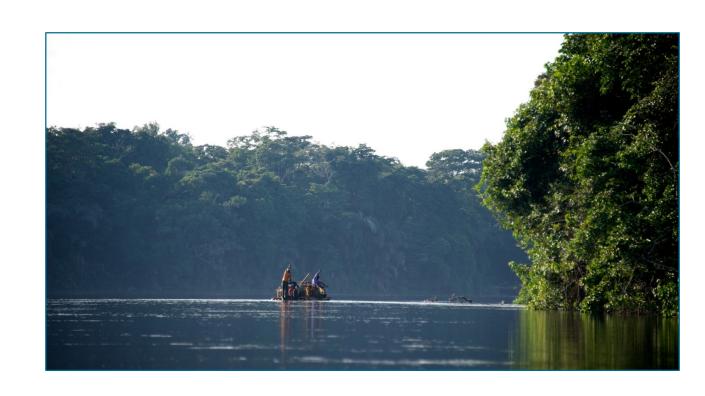






DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

- A country of continental size
- An incredible natural capital
- Conflicts and political instability
- On the road towards economic emergence



THE PROTECTED AREAS OF THE DRC

- A long history of nature conservation
- Repeated political commitment to consolidate and expand the protected area system
- A vast collection of diverse protected areas
- At a critical crossroad





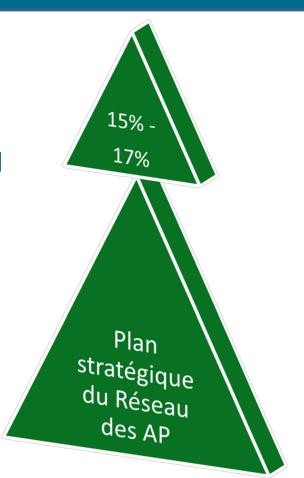
AICHI TARGET 11

By 2020, at least 17 per cent of terrestrial and inland water areas and 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas, especially *areas of particular* importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services, are conserved through effectively and equitably managed, ecologically representative and well-connected systems of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures, and integrated into the wider landscape and seascape.

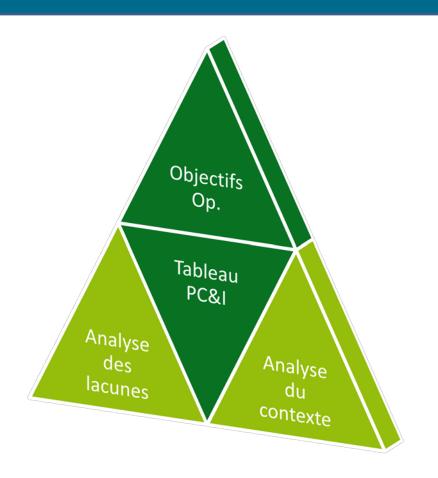


APPROACH AND KEY PRINCIPLES

- Stay grounded in the reality of the DRC, while remaining focused on the overall objective
- Support a culture of application and improved management
- Capitalize on efforts underway
- Incorporate best information, maintain best practices
- Participate in developing a system-based approach to conservation in the DRC

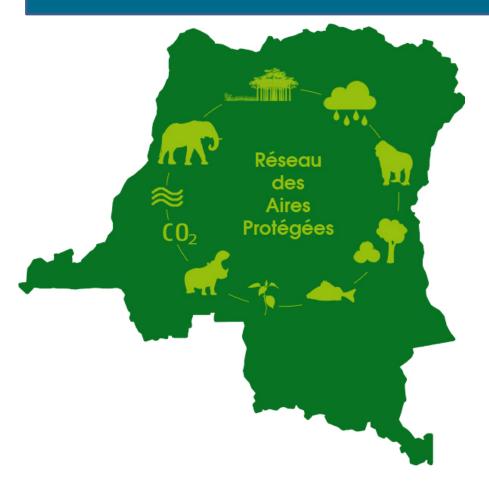


NATIONAL PROTECTED AREA SYSTEM STRATEGIC PLAN





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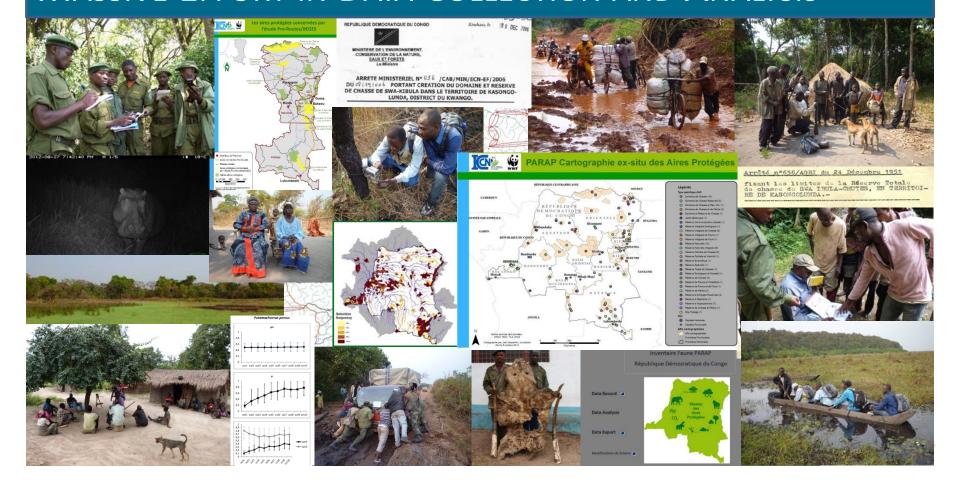


 Focal biodiversity elements and environmental services

Gap analysis – KBA

Integration of critical contextual elements

Massive Effort in Data Collection and Analysis



STRATEGIC FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION



Inclusive process

Dashboard of PCI

Operational objectives2015-2020

Monitoring tools and capacity



INNOVATIVE FACTORS

- Target conservation efforts in a rational manner
- Promote mainstreaming of PA system in national dialogues
- Reinforce governance and management effectiveness
- Facilitate establishment of sustainable funding mechanisms



THANKS

























