# **IBAT**

Acronyms Areas Countries Marine Terms

# Definition

Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool

# **Description**

The Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool (IBAT) is a biodiversity data provider licencing commercial access to global biodiversity <u>datasets</u> and derived data layers consisting of the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species<sup>™</sup>, the World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA) and the World Database of Key Biodiversity Areas (WDKBA). IBAT also provides access to biodiversity reports that offer fast, easy and web-based methods of querying these global datasets to gain site-specific insights on biodiversity risk and opportunities. IBAT Reports include a Proximity Analysis, IFC & World Bank PS6/ESS6 Report on Critical Habitat, Freshwater Report, Multi-site Analysis and Species Threat Abatement and Restoration Metric Report. Examples of all the reports and an extract of GIS data can be <u>downloaded</u> or requested on demand. IBAT is uniquely positioned to inform companies around a range of commercial applications including biodiversity risk and opportunity screening, corporate sustainability assessments, disclosure and certifications, project due diligence and more.

# Supported by

The Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool (IBAT) is an Alliance and multi-institutional programme of work involving BirdLife International, Conservation International, IUCN, and UNEP-WCMC. IBAT is delivered by the IBAT Secretariat, a team of full time staff hosted by UNEP-WCMC, BirdLife International and IUCN.

# Year of creation

IBAT was originally conceived in 2005 by staff across the IBAT Alliance organisations and launched at IUCN World Conservation Congress in 2008.

#### **Coverage**

Global, including Country Profiles

# **Business relevance**

Access to IBAT Datasets and Reports is arranged through a<u>subscription or Pay As You Go</u> download, which automatically includes a licence to use the data for commercial purposes: i.e. (a) any use by, on behalf of, or to inform or assist the activities of, a commercial entity (an entity that operates 'for profit') or (b) use by any individual or non-profit entity for the purposes of revenue generation. IBAT provides data, tools and guidance that help commercial organisations act on biodiversity related risks and opportunities (for non-commercial applications by e.g., NGOs, Universities, Governments etc., the data can be accessed directly from the IBAT Alliance Partners). IBAT currently supports >12,000 users across 150 international companies to perform biodiversity assessments from site to portfolio level. Companies can analyse biodiversity risk and opportunities, plan nature-positive actions, answer biodiversity questions for disclosure mechanisms including TNFD (LEAP), SFDR, GRI 304, SASB, ASI, certification schemes and more.

#### **References & website**

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