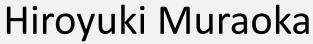
Regional cooperation for biodiversity observation and capacity development

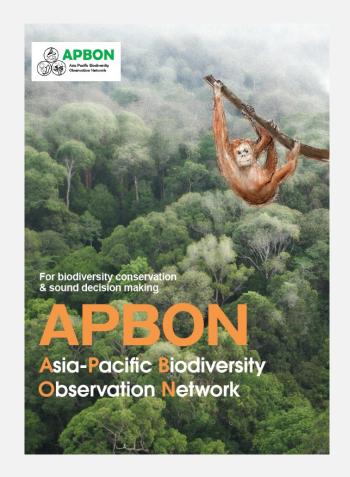
- Asia-Pacific Biodiversity Observation Network -



APBON Co-chair Professor, Gifu University, Japan Group Leader, National Institute for Environmental Studies Technical Advisor, MEXT-Japan

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Asia-Oceania region

- ✓ Complex geographic characteristics
- ✓ Large population (60% of the world)
- ✓ Drastic climate change
- Natural disasters occur frequently
- ✓ Rapid, diverse socioeconomic development
- ✓ Deteriorating ecosystems

High biodiversity

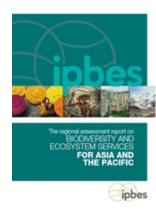
- Terrestrial
- Freshwater
- Coastal and Marine
- But its loss is in progress

Diversity of ecosystems

- Environmental regulation
- Provide goods and services
 (Nature's Contribution to People)

Biodiversity loss is proceeding

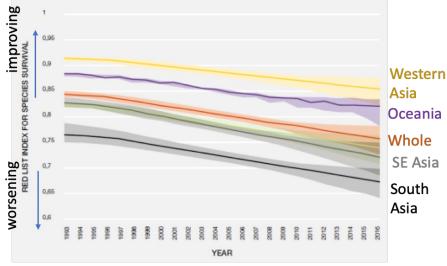
Y. Takeuchi (2022) 15^h AOGEO Symposium



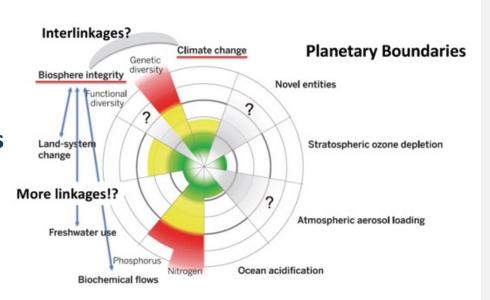
Interlinkages of Climate – Biodiversity – Ecosystem functions

H. Yamano (2021) 14th AOGEO Symposium

Trends in threatened species status



(IPBES 2018)



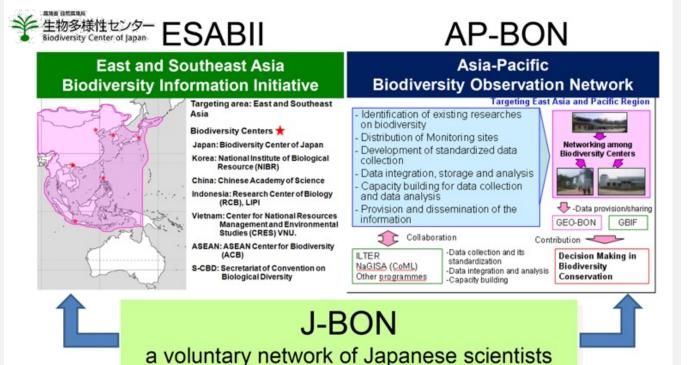
Japan Biodiversity Observation Network





J-BON was established in 2009 as a collaborative network among domestic researchers, supported by the Ministry of the Environment Japan.

→ Basis of APBON



Re-building JBON (April 2023~)

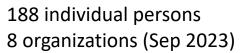
To respond to:

- 1. Growing demands for biodiversity information in society
- 2. Growing demands for biodiversity information in economy
- 3. Development of cutting-edge technologies for biodiversity observation & increasing importance of conventional surveys



Network of scientists (academia, national institutes, citizen science), practitioners, private sectors, museums, academic associations, etc.

Partner Organizations

















APBON established in 2009



Mission

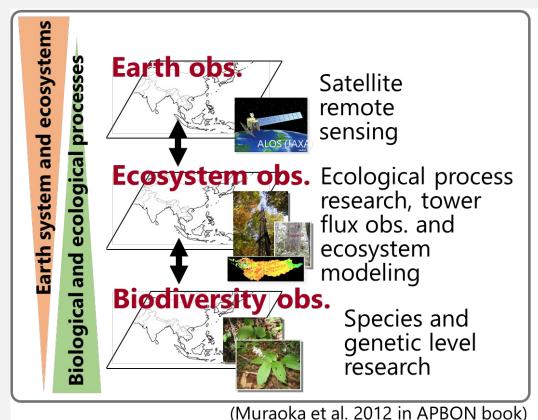
- Contribution to sound decision making related to biodiversity conservation based on scientific information
- Facilitation of the utilization of existing biodiversity data
- Coordination of a regional network

Activities

- Monitoring changes of biodiversity
 - ✓ Biodiversity mapping
 - ✓ Identification of key drivers Land use change, Climate change
- Networking of the observation networks
 - ✓ Sharing information through the networks
- 3. Capacity building

Members from the region

Japan, China, Korea, Thailand, Malaysia, Cambodia, Philippines, ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity, Nepal, ICIMOD, U.S.A. (Hawaii), Australia, Indonesia,

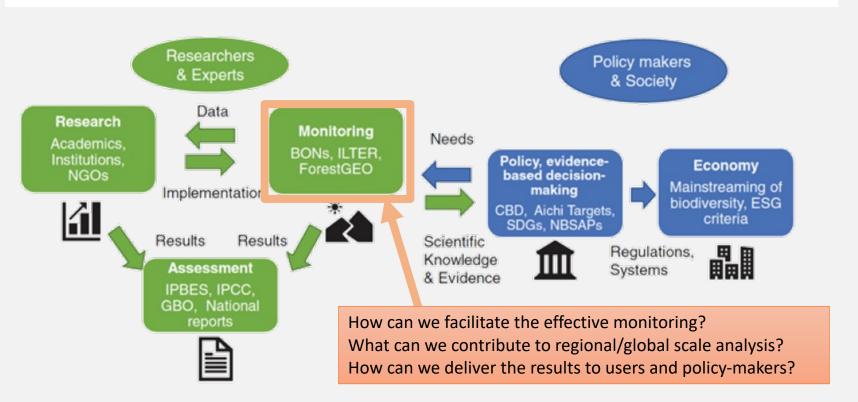


APBON Work Plan update toward 2030



APBON's missions

- ☐ Promoting interdisciplinary research and problem-solving approaches with filling the observational and knowledge gaps,
- Promoting data sharing and data accessibility through/by networks of the observation networks,
- Delivering our information and knowledge to stakeholders and global platforms



Takeuchi & Muraoka et al. (2021) Ecological Research



APBON Highlights 2022



Participants from... Japan, Thailand, Malaysia, China, Republic of Korea, Indonesia, Nepal, Cambodia, Myanmar, Vietnam, Philippines, USA, ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity, ICIMOD

Monitoring biodiversity

- Mapping tropical tree species and changes in forest cover
- Unprecedented algal blooms and fisheries damage in Hokkaido (2021)
- Mapping protected areas in the Hindu Kush Himalaya
- Evaluating the impacts of hydropower dams and climate change on the diversity of fish species in the Mekong
- Assessing threat and priorities regionwide
- Investigating African swine fever infections in wild boars in Malaysia (2022)
- Mapping bats and zoonoses

Mobilizing biodiversity data

- Descriptions of plant species in Southeast Asia
- Active GBIF BIFA projects
- ffishAsia / floraZia

Conservation

- OECMs/KBAs
- Improved community governance of fisheries in Cambodia
- Mapping "Ecologically and Biologically Significant Areas" in the oceans
- Mapping Ecological Conservation redlines across Asia
- Assessing threat from wildlife trade

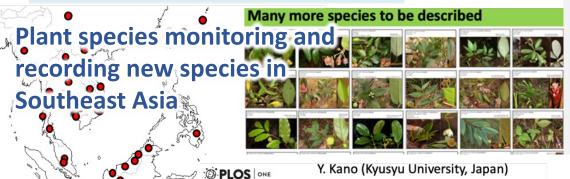
APBON' collaborative research





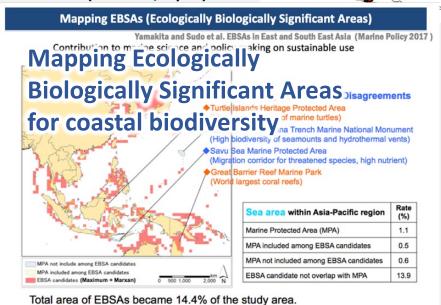
T. Yahara (Kyusyu University, Japan)

Plant diversity assessment: 154 plots at 56 locations of 10 countries





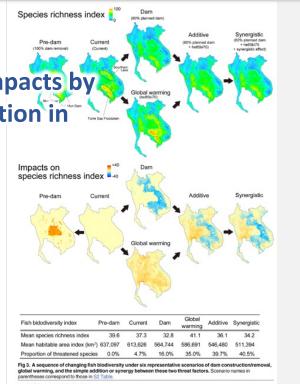
T. Yamakita (JAMSTEC, Japan)



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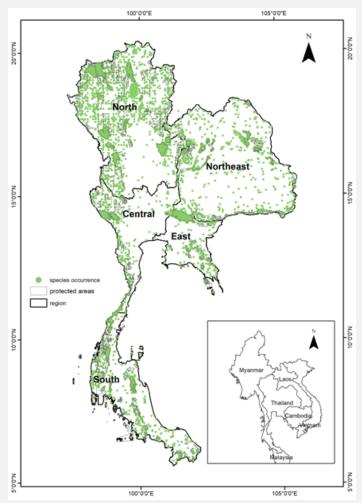
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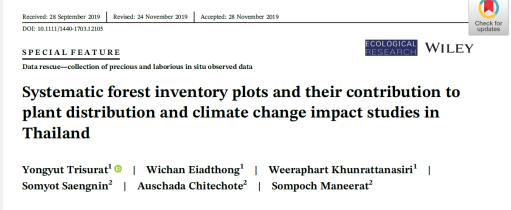
Thailand (contact: Prof. Yongyut Trisurat, APBON co-chair)

Biodiversity monitoring

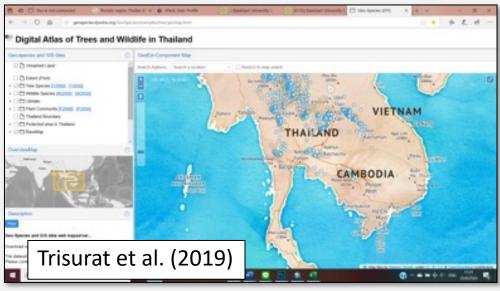


http://geospecies.dyndns.org/GeoSpecies/ examples/tree/

Database



Digital Atlas of Trees and Wildlife in Thailand



Hiroyuki Muraoka | APBON



Climate change impact on species distribution and

ecosystem changes

Climate Change Impacts on Species Composition and Floristic Regions in Thailand

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Abstract: Tropical forests are vulnerable to climate change including increased temperatures an of floristic regions. To address this question, we assigned floristic regions based on a structured cluster analysis of modeled species ranges, and evaluated how those regions respond under scenario modeling. Environmental variables, including soils, topography and bioclimatic variables wer compiled to model both current and 2050 distributions. Potential floristic regions were classified Five floristic regions are projected to experience little change in their geographic distribution, while the remainder are projected to be substantially displaced spatially. Additionally, two of the identified floristic regions are not well represented in protected areas-with less than 50% of the curren

Thailand's CBD Kunming-Montreal GBF 30 x 30

Can Thailand Protect 30% of Its Land Area for Biodiversity, and Will This Be Enough?

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- Center of Conservation Biology, Core Botanical Gardens, Xishuangbanna Tropical Botanical Gardens
- Chinese Academy of Sciences, Mengla 666303, China

Abstract: The draft post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework asks CBD parties to conserve at least 30% of the planet by 2030 'through a well-connected and effective system of protected areas . . . with ability of a densely populated, hyper diverse, tropical, middle-income country to meet this target at a national level. Existing protected areas (PAs) total 24.3% of Thailand's land area. Adding forest or ernment land adjacent to existing PAs, plus unprotected areas of Ramsar sites, raises this to 29.59 To assess the importance for biodiversity, we used modeled distributions of birds and mammals plus as proxies for other biodiversity components, elevation, bioclimate, forest type, and WWF ecoregion All modeled species occur in the current PA system but <30% meet representation targets. Expansion of the system increases the proportion of mammals and birds adequately protected and increases the protection for underrepresented bioclimatic zones and forest types. The expanded system remain fragmented and underrepresents key habitats, but opportunities for increasing protection of these are limited. It is also still vulnerable to climate change, although projected impacts are reduced Additional protection is peeded for wetland and coastal habitate, and I







(contact: Dr. Christian Elloran)



Biodiversity Informatics

Engaging research communities for data mobilization

Organized Biodiversity Data Mobilization

- KBA e-Learning & Biodiversity Data Mobilization Workshops
 21-24 August 2023, Philippines
- Workshop on Establishment of National Clearing-House
 Mechanism Using Bioland Tool

9-12 October 2023, Thailand

Workshops and Trainings

 Training of Trainers: Multisector Framework for Mainstreaming Biodiversity Workshop
 25-26 July

 Philippine Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan Expert's Consultation Meeting

27 July Philippines

Completion of the Internship Program
 August 2023 Philippines













Monitoring, capacity building and data sharing in the Hindu Kush Himalaya

Monitoring and assessment

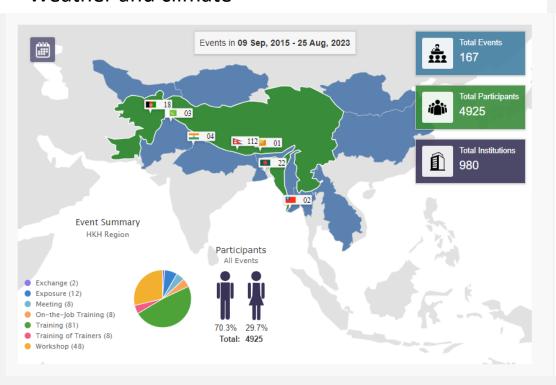
- Regular climate and discharge monitoring at higher altitude with sites in Langtang and Manang valleys
- Vegetation monitoring including tree coring in Langtang valley of Nepal
- Permafrost monitoring started in far-western Nepal
- Springs inventory and biodiversity assessment
- Regional Database System with open access policy



Capacity building

Thematic areas:

- Land cover and land use change
- Ecosystem composition & dynamics
- Freshwater resources and hydro-climatic disasters
- Weather and climate



Data and Knowledge sharing – Database and Publications

http://www.esabii.biodic.go.jp/ap-bon/index.html

APBON knowledge sharing (Presentation files of

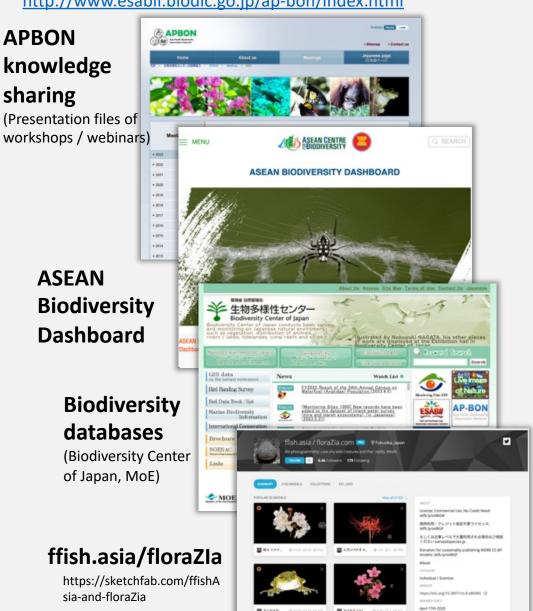
> **ASEAN Biodiversity Dashboard**

> > **Biodiversity** databases

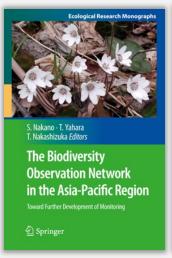
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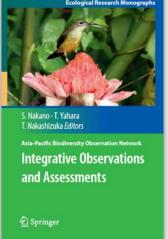
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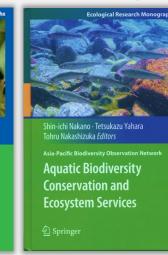
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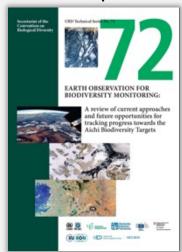
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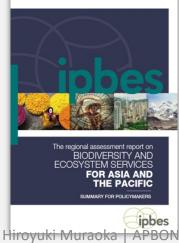




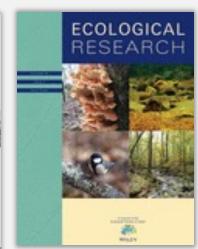




IPBES Regional Assessment Report (2018)



Data paper + Database



APBON Highlights Workshop summary





Data and Knowledge sharing - Seminars

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8 September 2023	18 th APBON seminar
21 July 2023	17 th APBON seminar
12 April 2023	16 th APBON Web seminar
1-2 February 2023	14 th APBON Workshop 15 th APBON seminar

2022	14 th APBON Web seminar		
28-30 September 2022	All presentation files and discus		
13 September	13th Al-BON Web seminar		

2022	Special meeting for the 15th AOGEO Symposium APBO APBO
8 July 2022	12th APBON Web seminar Dr. Charlie D. Heatubun (Provincial Government of West Papua) Dr. Nirunrut Pomoim (Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant conservation)
4 March 2022	11th APRON Web seminar (Special)

4 March 2022	11th APBON Web seminar (Special) Understanding the role and potential of Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures (OECMs) in the Asia Pacific Region
	Dr. Sunita Chaudhary (ICIMOD) Dr. Madhu Rao (IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas)
	Dr. Ruchi Pant (Biodiversity, Climate Change UNDP India)
	Dr. Taku Kadoya (Biodiversity Division, NIES, Japan) Dr. Nakul Chettri (Transboundary Landscapes, ICIMOD)
	Ms. Cristina Lazaro (UNEP-WCMC)

2021	
2021	10th APBON Web seminar Dr. Tetsukazu Yahara (Kyushu University) Dr. Ai Nagahama (Kyushu University)
10-12 November 2021	14 th Asia-Oceania Group on Earth Observations Symposium



19 October 2021	13th APBON Workshop Scoping collaborative work plan of APBON in the next ca. 4 years (~2025), which is the first half of APBON's strategic plan toward 2030.
30 September 2021	9th APBON Web seminar Dr. Alice Hughes (Xishuangbanna Tropical Botanical Garden, Chinese Academy of Sciences) Dr. Angela Quiros (Akkeshi Marine Station, Field Science Center for Northern Biosphere, Hokkaido University)
8 July 2021	8 th APBON Web seminar Dr. Po Teen Lim (University of Malaya) Dr. Chaodong Zhu (Chinese Academy of Sciences)
27 May 2021	7th APBON Web seminar Dr. Yuichi Kano (Kyushu University) Dr. Asanee Kawtrakul (Kasetsart University)
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22 January 2021	12 th APBON Workshop

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5th APBON Web seminar

Dr. Bunthang Touch (Inland Fisheries Research and Development Institute)

Dr. Chheang Dany (Forestry Administration, Cambodia)

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10 December 2020	4 th APBON Web seminar Mr. Yao Tze Leong (Forest Research Institute Malaysia) Dr. Takashi Hosono (Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology)
22 October 2020	3 rd APBON Web seminar Dr. Po Teen Lim (University of Malaya) Dr. Laetitia Navarro (GEO BON)
27 August 2020	2nd APBON Web seminar Dr. Alice Hughes (Xishuangbanna Tropical Botanical Garden) Dr. Yuichi Kano (Kyushu University)
6-10 July 2020	GEO BON Open Science Conference & All Hands Meeting
29 June 2020	Kick-off Meeting 1st APBON Web seminar Dr. Yongyut Trisurat (Kasetsart University) Dr. Sheila Vergara (ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity)

APBON assessment of data and observation needs

	Respondent	data type	data description	region	taxa	no. surveys	start year	end year	agency	data availability
45	acb	ASEAN Species occurrences and species checklist	Biodiversity data that includes Aquatic both Fish and Non-Fish species, Terrestrial, Bacteria and Fungi	ASEAN Region	All taxa	-	-		ASEAN Member States	Scientific journals, online web services (e.g. API), ASEAN Clearing House Mechanism and ASEAN Biodiversity Dashboard
	ACB	Species in ASEAN protected areas and ASEAN heritage sites	Data overlays for Aquatic and terrestrial species	ASEAN Region	All taxa	-	-		ASEAN Member States	Online platforms
	Eric Crandall, Assistant Research Professor, Pennsylvania State University	Genetic Information	>40,000 mtDNA sequences from >200 Inc. Pacing species	Indo-Pacific	Mostly	ng (data	aar	nd kr	https://geome-db.org/workbench/project-
a	Japan (Nagai)	Text (so- called "historical dark data")	Species name pher all the species name pher						and national diet	"analog" (i.e., non-digitalized) big data.
	Japan (Nagai(Test, video, pictures, sounds	Species name, phenology, locations, human used of living things	World	Plants, animals, fishes	enormousnes s	Since about 2010	Current	Social media platform (e.g., Twitter/X; Instagram; Flickr; Mapillary; YouTube; Spotify podcasts)	"Open access data" (except some): In accordance with the data policy, we can use each data. The data policy is different among the media.
	Japan (Nagai)	Numerical and text data (time-series in index of people's interests for searched term)	Species name, phenology, locations, human used of living things	World	Plants, animals, fishes	enormousnes s	Since about 2004 (in the case of Google)	Current	Google; Yandex	"Open access data": We can freely analyze the statistic tools on "Google Trends" and "Yandex statistics".
	Japan (Takeuchi)	e.g.: plant community	Plant indiv. Size, species, location	Japan	Tree/plants	191<	1980	2021	JaLTER, NIES ect.	Data paper(Yoshikawa et al. under review)
	Japan (Nakaoka)	Speciesoccurr ence and abundance data	Species list and abundance of marine plants and animals	Japan	Invertebrates, algae and seagrass	15	2008	ongoing	BiodiversityCente r of Japan, Ministry of the Environment Japan (BIODIC- MoEJ)	Available from BIODIC homepage https://www.biodic.go.jp/m oni1000/index.html

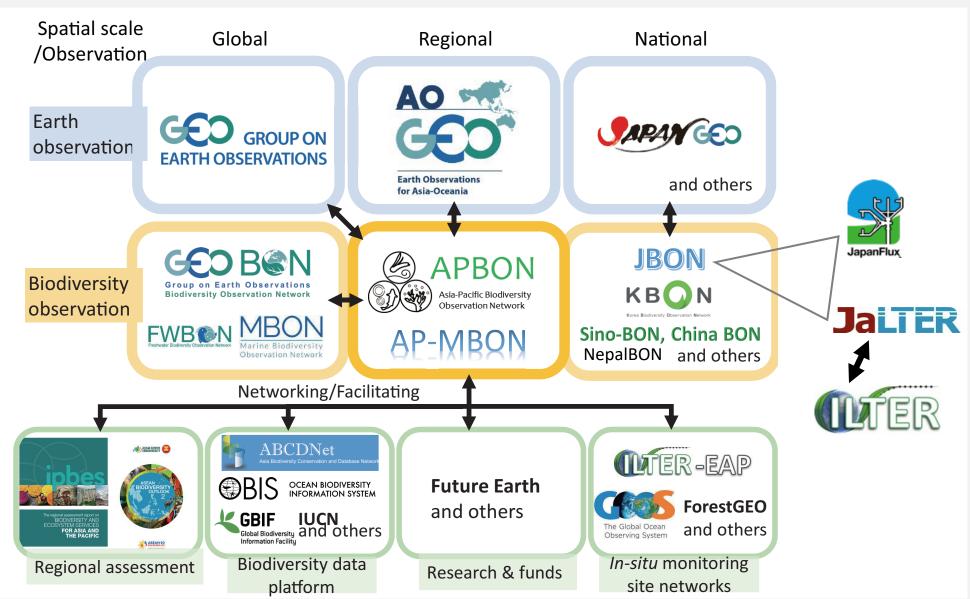
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Malaysia (Runi)	Herbarium specimen	Information as printed at the specimen label	Sarawak	Plants	On-going	Specimens were collected since early 1880s	On going	Research & Development Division, Forest Department Sarawak,	Herbarium data in BRAHMS Limited sharing. Only available upon request through collaborations project or research partners and approved by the Directo of Forests.
Vialay Malaysi (Yao)	Tree demography	50-ha long-term tree demography datasets. Individuals are tagged, measured, mapped, identified to species, and re- census every five years	Peninsular Malaysia, Negeri Sembilan, Pasoh	c. 830 speciesof trees with dbh > 1 cm	7 censuses, 8 th is ongoing	1985	2015 and continuing	Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM) and ForestGEO, Smithsonian Institute	In RData files, application to use the data can be made through Pasoh Research Committee.
Nepal, ICOMOD (Sunita)	Species abundance (Tiger)	Abundance	Nepal	Mammal	130 grid cells	2021	2022	Government of Nepal	Electronic report available online (public)
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Thailand (Yongy	Large	17 medium- and large mammal occurrence	Inside protected areas in Thailand	wildlife	1	2004	2006	Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation	In electronic format upon receiving approval from the Dept.
haila Thailand (Yongy	n d ldlife and human threats	Sightings and wildlife tracks and human disturbance are gathered from smart patrol very month in all protected areas	Inside protected areas in Thailand	wildlife	12	2010	present	Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation	In electronic format and ha copy upon receiving approv from the Dept.
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Thailand (Yongy	ut) Mangrove forest	Remaining mangrove forest	Thailand	Forest cover	Very 2-3 years	2012	present	Department of Marine and Coastal Resources	shapefile upon receiving approval from the Dept.
Thailand (Yongy	Protected areas	Protected area boundaries (national parks, wildlife sanctuaries, non- hunting areas)	Thailand	Protected area coverage	Yearly update	1962	present	Department of National Parks,	shapefile upon receiving approval from the Dept.

Development of national, regional and global networks

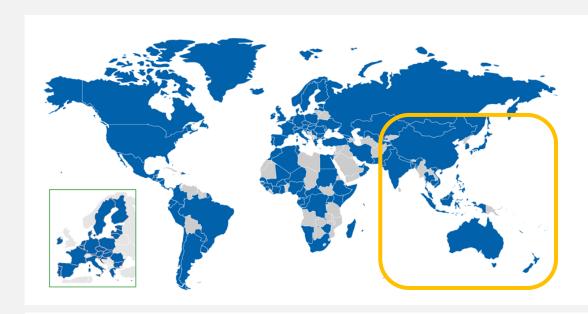


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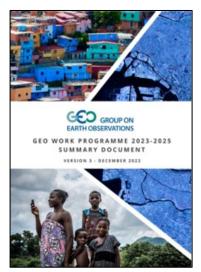
- experts,
- institutions,
- public organizations,
- private sectors,
- people, and
- opportunity



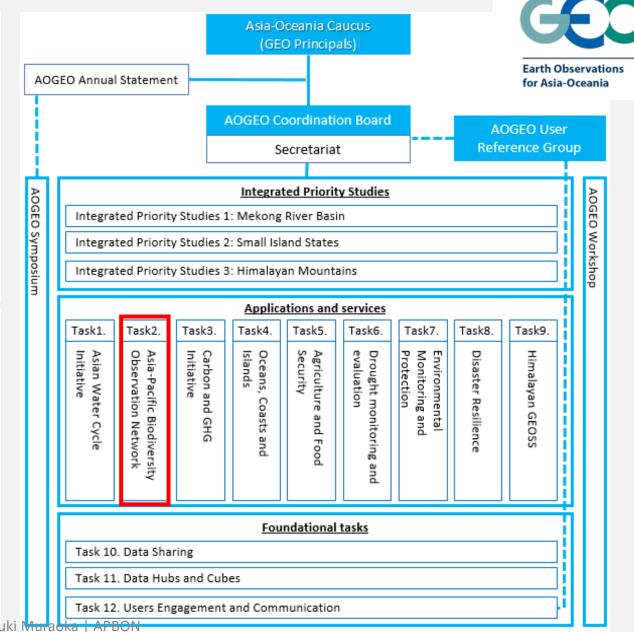
Cooperation with Asia-Oceania Group on Earth Observations



2023-2025 GEO Work Programme



AOGEO engages regional stakeholders, including national agencies and regional intergovernmental organizations, in global GEO activities and coordinate implementation of GEO activities withing the Asia-Oceania region.



History of APBON along development of AOGEO and GEO community

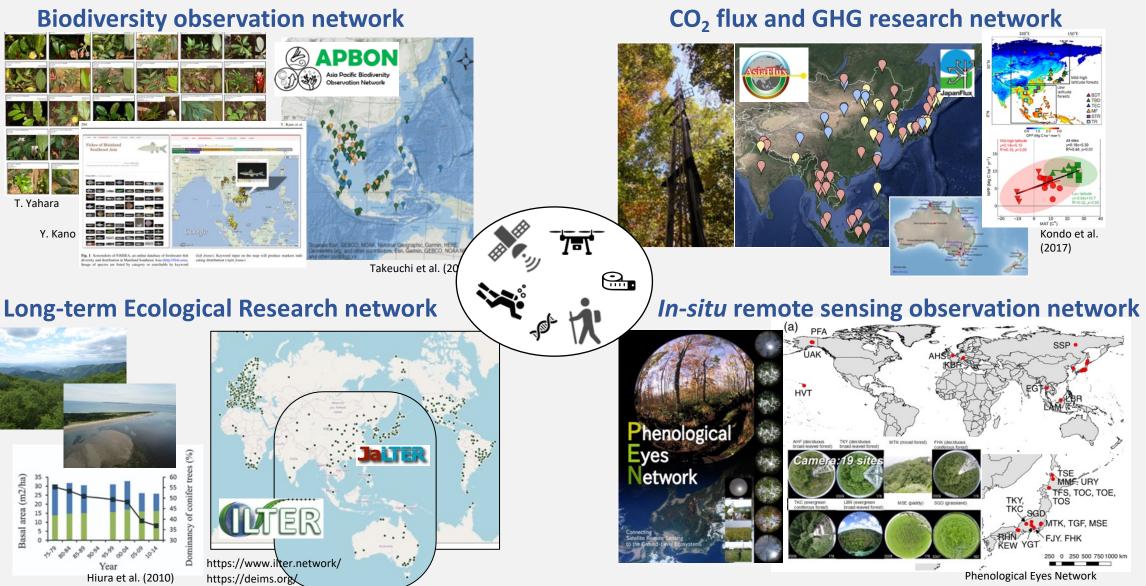


Year	AOGEO/GEOSS-AP Symposia	GEO BON	AP BON Meetings	National BONs	CBD COPs	IPBES
2009	3rd GEOSS AP (Kyoto, February)		1st AP BON (July, Japan) 2nd AP BON (December, Japan)	Japan BON (May)		
2010	4th GEOSS AP (a session, Bali, March)	GEO BON Meeting (February, USA)	3rd AP BON (CBD COP10 Preconference, March, Japan)		COP10 (Japan, Side-event)	
2011			4th AP BON (December, Japan)			
2012	5th GEOSS AP (Tokyo, April)	GEO BON Meeting (December, USA)	WCC of IUCN (September, Korea)	Korea BON, Nepal BON, Bangladesh BON	COP11 (India, Side-event)	
2013	6th GEOSS AP (Ahmedabad, February)		5th AP BON (November, ACB, Philippines)	Philippines BON		Plenary-1
2014	7th GEOSS AP (Tokyo, May)	IC and AB (June, Germany)	6th AP BON (October, NIBR Korea)		COP12 (Korea, Side-event)	Plenary-2
2015	8th GEOSS AP (Beijing, September)	IC and AB (June, Germany)		Sino BON Indonesia BON		Plenary-3
2016	2016-2025 A New GEO Strategy Plan Initiated	All-Hands Meeting (July, Germany)	7th AP BON (ACB, Thailand) 8th AP BON (Taipei, Taiwan)	WCC of IUCN (September, USA)	COP13 (Mexico)	Plenary-4
2017	9th GEOSS AP (Tokyo, January) , 10th GEOSS AP (Hanoi, September)	IC and AB (July, Germany)				Plenary-5
2018	11th GEOSS AP (October, Kyoto)	All-Hands Meeting (July, Beijing)	9th AP BON (Bangkok, February), 10th AP BON (Kuching, July)		COP14 (Egypt)	Plenary-6
2019	12th AOGEO (November, Canberra)		11 th AP BON (KL, Malaysia)			Plenary-7
2020		Open Science Conference & All Hands Meeting			COP15 (China) (postponed)	Plenary-8 (tbc)
2021	13 th AOGEO (March, Online) 4 th AOGEO WS (July) 14 th AOGEO (Nov. Online)		12 th APBON (Online) 13 th APBON (Online)		COP15 (China)	Plenary-8 (June)
2022	15 th AOGEO (Sep, Tokyo + Online)				COP15 (Canada)	
2023		GEO BON Conference (Oct., Montreal)	14 th APBON (Fukuoka + Online)	Hiroyuki Mur	aoka APBO	N



Networking in-situ research networks





Growing needs to develop value chain --Observations, Data processing, and Users to address challenges





Special Session -- Biodiversity for Addressing Climate Change & Disaster Risk Reduction



Special Session -- Biodiversity and Sustainable Society: How EO contributes to integrating nature into economic activities



















Data



Evaluation/

Translation







Utilization











Data





Solution/ Intelligence

User-oriented and **EO** continuity

EO and prediction data provide platform Strengthen data value chain

Priority targets climate action; biodiversity DRR; SDGs

Positive Feedback

Redrawn from the final report by The 9th Earth Observation Promotion Committee, Japan, February 2023

Needs and Challenges to connect observations and society



Broader understanding

Multiple dimensions of "biodiversity and ecosystem data" – genetic, species, ecosystem; no. of threatened species; ecosystem functions; ...

Integrative research

Inter-disciplinary research and understanding on Climate – Biodiversity – Ecosystem functions interdependencies across scales

Cross-scale observations

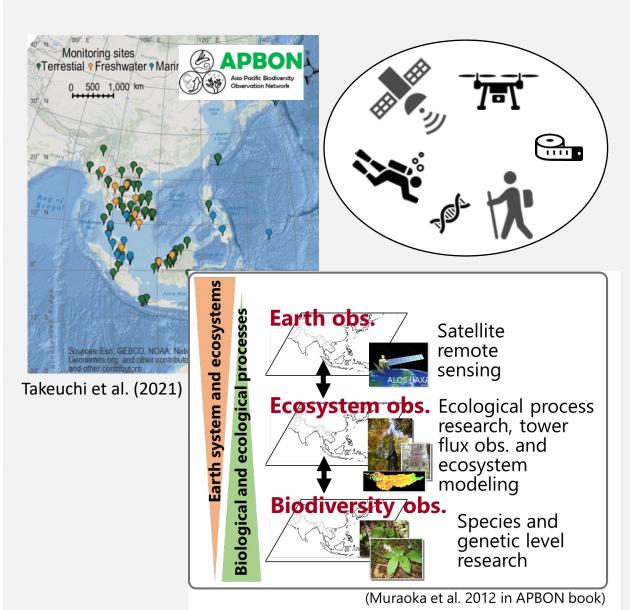
Filling spatial / thematic observational gaps by connecting *in-situ* and satellite observations, and model simulations

Open science

Data / Knowledge generation and sharing through national and regional cooperative capacity development, citizen science

Promoting value chain

Earth observations – analysis – evaluation – intelligence – decision making (science to action) by networking networks and stakeholders



Thank you



For more information of APBON

http://www.esabii.biodic.go.jp/ap-bon/index.html

APBON on-line seminars

http://www.esabii.biodic.go.jp/ap-bon/meetings/index.html

Presentation files from seminars and workshops are available

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