Annual publication of the indicators of National Observatory for Biodiversity

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Living up to its commitment to publish biodiversity indicators to celebrate International Biological Diversity Day, the National Observatory for Biodiversity (Observatoire National de la Biodiversité) makes available the 2015 edition of indicators relating to French biodiversity status. These are based on biodiversity knowledge acquired through the Information System on Nature and Landscapes (Système d'Information sur la Nature et des Paysages).

Since 2012, the National Observatory for Biodiversity provides a set of indicators that measures the impacts on biodiversity of the

French Strategy for Biodiversity in the medium term. Documented and factual information can be accessed by all and freely chosen for integration into their actions. Here are some examples of indicators:

- 13 325 French endemic species are known today compared to 8 437 species only one year ago! This unique heritage has been made known thanks to a continuous knowledge-building endeavour.
- In 2015, **33** % of French people consider biodiversity loss as one of the major environmental concerns, in third position after global warming (40%) and multiplication of natural disasters (35%).
- Biodiversity-related Official Development Aid granted by France amounted to 169.43
 million euros in 2014 against 106.6 million euros in 2006.

Other indicators, new or updated, are proposed on the status of French coral reefs, the evolution of bat populations or water pollution by nitrates...

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