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# 1. INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 Objectives of the Study

This report presents the findings of the Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool (IBAT) analysis for the ELMED project, a new 600 MW High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) electricity interconnection between Tunisia (Cap Bon peninsula) and Italy (Sicily). The Project seeks funding from international lenders, including the World Bank.

The objective of this report is to identify priority biodiversity features in and around the project areas that are potentially at risk from project impacts in order to inform mitigation planning in accordance with World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework (ESF)'s <u>ESS6</u> on biodiversity conservation and sustainable management on living natural resources (World Bank, 2017).

The outcome of this analysis should therefore be intended as a preliminary overview of key biodiversity features and potential risks associated to the project, further analyzed within the ESIA and/or other environmental studies.











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# 1.2 Project areas of interest

The ELMED project departs from the Italian substation of Partanna in Sicily, follows the route of existing roads (underground) to the coastal locality of Marinella di Selinunte, crosses the Mediterranean via marine underground cables until the Tunisian coastal town of Kélibia, joins the station of Mlaâbi, from which it will reach Mornaguia electrical station, south of Tunis city, via an overhead transmission line (OHL).

For the sake of this analysis, the Project is split up into 4 zones (see Table 1.1), which are evaluated independently.

Table 1.1: Project zones considered in the present analysis

Zone	Country	Type of zone	Project element	Buffer considered around infrastructure (Project areas of influence)
1	Tunisia	Onshore	<ul><li>Overhead line (OHL)</li></ul>	15 km (x2)
2	Tunisia	Onshore	<ul><li>Onshore cable + Converter station (CS)</li></ul>	0.5 km (x2)
3	Tunisia	Nearshore	<ul><li>Marine cable (shallow waters)</li></ul>	1 km (x2)
4	International	Offshore	Marine cable (deep waters)	1 km (x2)
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#### 2. METHODOLOGY

#### 2.1 IBAT database

This review is based on the extraction of <u>IBAT</u> data within an area of 15 km around the overall Project linear route, including its Italian section (see Figure 2.1). The analysis assessed the risk of globally significant biodiversity features overlapping with the Project areas of influence located in Tunisia and offshore, previously presented in Table 1.1.

The IBAT platform includes the following global datasets:

- IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, managed by the IUCN.
- World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA), managed by United Nations Environment World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UN WCMC).
- World Database of Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA), managed by BirdLife on behalf of the KBA partnership.

The original IBAT report is provided in Appendix 1, as a standalone document.

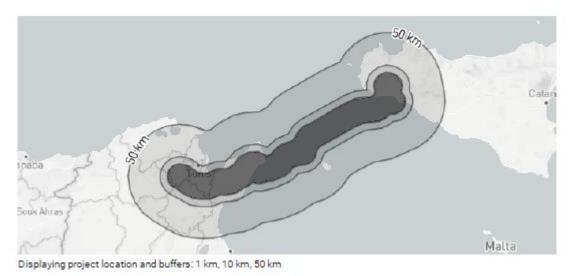


Figure 2.1: Project location and buffers considered in the IBAT report

#### 2.2 Screening approach

The review was undertaken based on the following approach:

- Review of IUCN-listed species extracted through IBAT that are listed as threatened (Critically Endangered (CR), Endangered (EN) and Vulnerable (VU)) and additional literature review on those species to evaluate the risk of the species being present in the project area (list of CR/EN/VU species contained in the IBAT Report is provided in Appendix 2 and Appendix 3). Specific attention was given to CR and EN species as these are potential triggers for Critical habitat identification according to World Bank's ESS6 (see Box 2.1 below).
- Review of location and key features of protected areas and key biodiversity areas (PA/KBA) located within the project area of analysis (buffer considered for each section, as per Table 1.1) to evaluate potential risks of impacts.
- Review of existing project feasibility studies to cross check key biodiversity features.











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Box 2.1: Definition of Critical Habitats according to World Bank ESS6

According to the World Bank's ESS6, critical habitats are defined as areas with high biodiversity importance or value, including:

- Habitat of significant importance to Critically Endangered or Endangered species, as listed in the IUCN Red List of threatened species or equivalent national approaches;
- Habitat of significant importance to endemic or restricted-range species;
- Habitat supporting globally or nationally significant concentrations of migratory or congregatory species;
- Highly threatened or unique ecosystems; and
- Ecological functions or characteristic

Sections 3 to 6 provide a summary of key findings of the IBAT analysis. More details can be found in the Appendices.

Results are presented by project zones (as per Table 1.1) to facilitate the interpretation of results and better inform decision-making at local level. It is noted that this report structure implies some repetitions and redundancy across sections.

# 2.3 Assumptions and Limitations

This report draws on the following assumptions:

- An overlap between the potential distribution of a species (IUCN) and the project buffer does not necessarily mean the species is actually present and that an impact will occur. Only additional literature review, expert consultation and, as appropriate, field surveys may confirm presence.
- The majority of PA/KBA were already identified and mentioned in the Project feasibility studies.
- This analysis only draws on existing secondary data; no primary data were collected as part of this review.
- The evaluation of the risk of significant impacts on species of conservation importance presented in this report is based solely on the IBAT tool data and does not take into account further analysis and biodiversity surveys performed within the ESIA and or other environmental studies.
- This analysis includes an expert-based review of priority biodiversity features that have the potential to meet World Bank's criteria for Critical habitat identification (as per Box 2.1).











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# 3. ZONE 1 – ONSHORE TUNISIA (OVERHEAD LINE)

# 3.1 Biodiversity significance

## 3.1.1 Species of conservation importance

The Cap Bon peninsula, notably the wetlands around El Haouaria, is an important feeding area and essential stopover for many migratory birds (birds-of-prey and large soaring birds, e.g. White Stork *Ciconia ciconia*) on their seasonal journeys between Europe and Africa across the Strait of Sicily<sup>1</sup>. The various man-made water reservoirs (barrages) are important for waterbirds such as the Endangered (EN) White-headed Duck (*Oxyura leucocephala*). The area is also highly threatened by hunting<sup>2</sup>.

High priority species for Zone 1 are presented in the table below.

Table 3.1: Species of conservation importance (Onshore Tunisia, overhead line)

Species	IUCN status	Distribution	Presence in Project area	Potential CH trigger	Risk of significant impacts from the Project
White-headed Duck (Oxyura leucocephala)	EN	This bird is known to be resident in Northern Africa, where 400-600 individuals are estimated in Algeria and Tunisia. It breeds on small enclosed semi-permanent brackish or eutrophic lakes surrounded by emergent vegetation (BirdLife International, 2022). It is known from the Mlâabi dam and other areas nearby the overhead line route (Ideaconsult et al, 2022)	Confirmed	Likely	Medium
Egyptian Vulture (Neophron percnopterus)	EN	This bird is Vulnerable (VU) in the Mediterranean according to a recent assessment (Westrip et al, 2022). It occurs in a variety of habitats and typically nests on ledges or in caves on cliffs. It is known to breed in Tunisia. An important part of the breeding population of Eurasia passes through the Strait of Gibraltar and the Red Sea Flyway, but individuals also pass through Cap Bon in	Reported but not confirmed	Likely if presence confirmed	High

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://lapresse.tn/90282/oiseaux-migrateurs-quand-le-cap-bon-chasse-ses-oiseaux-jusqua-lextinction/











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Species	IUCN status	Distribution	Presence in Project area	Potential CH trigger	Risk of significant impacts from the Project
		Tunisia. In Tunisia illegal trade and poisoning have been reported. Collision with and electrocution by power lines are a potential threat to the species.			
Saker Falcon (Falco cherrug)	EN	This bird is Critically Endangered (CR) in the Mediterranean according to a recent assessment (Westrip & BirdLife International, 2022a). Within the Mediterranean region it is only thought to breed in North Macedonia, where there is a tiny population of 0-3 pairs. It has traditionally been used for falconry purposes.	Reported but confirmed	Likely if presence confirmed	High
Red-footed Falcon (Falco vespertinus)		This bird is Critically Endangered in the Mediterranean (CR) according to a recent assessment (Westrip & BirdLife International, 2022b). In the Mediterranean the species only breeds in Northern Italy and Turkey. Main threats include illegal killing and poisoning, as well as electrocution on power lines.	Reported but not confirmed	Likely if presence confirmed	High
Punican Bleak (Anaecypris punica)	CR	This fish is endemic to the upper Medjerda River catchment in Tunisia and Algeria (only two small highly fragmented subpopulations remaining where they inhabit small-to-medium-sized intermittent hill sreams in forested areas) but its extant distribution is poorly understood (Freyhof & Ford, 2022a)., Major threats include	Not reported	Likely if presence confirmed	Low











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Species	IUCN status	Distribution	Presence in Project area	Potential CH trigger	Risk of significant impacts from the Project
		pollution and excessive abstraction of ground and surface water, as well as the construction of dams.			
Tunisian Bleak (Tropidophoxinellus chaignoni)	EN	This fish is known from five locations in northeastern Tunisia only (Freyhof & Ford, 2022b), between the Meliane River south of Tunis to tributaries of the Sebkha Kelbia intermittent lake in Souss Governorate, including the Abid and Lebna rivers on the Cape Bon Peninsula. It prefers low altitude, slow-moving stretches of rivers and tributaries. It is unclear whether it has successfully colonised the numerous artificial reservoirs created by dam construction within its range. Major threats include pollution, excessive abstraction of ground and surface water, and dam construction	Not reported	Likely if presence confirmed	
Thorectes puncticollis	EN	This insect has a distribution restricted to sandy soils with xerothermic scrublands at low altitudes in Algeria, Tunisia and Libya. In Tunisia, it has been recently reported from new localities in Sousse, Sfax, Kairouan and Tataouine. Historical records from Tunis correspond to a subpopulation which have probably disappeared, due to the expansion of the city (IUCN)	Not reported	Likely if presence confirmed	Low
Blanc's Fringe-toed Lizard	EN	This lizard is known from coastal, and some inland, regions of northwestern	Not reported	Likely if presence confirmed	Low











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Species	IUCN status	Distribution	Presence in Project area	Potential CH trigger	Risk of significant impacts from the Project
(Acanthodactylus blanci)		and northeastern Tunisia, and northern Algeria, between sea level up to 900 m asl. It is found in semi-arid habitats with open vegetation, at coastal sites, in dunes with plant growth, and in areas of clay substrate with shrubs or sparse Eucalyptus plantations. It has also been recorded from pine forests.			
North African Shad (Alosa algeriensis)	EN	This fish is anadromous <sup>3</sup> fish is endemic to Northern Africa and Western Sardinia costs, including coastal lagoons and rivers. Some unconfirmed subpopulations might be landlocked residents of artificial freshwater lakes (Freyhof & Ford, 2022b).	Not reported	Likely if presence confirmed	Low
Collybie méditerranéenne ( <i>Laccariopsis</i> <i>mediterranea</i> )	EN	Rare fungus growing in coastal dune habitats in the western Mediterranean, including Sicily (usually their habitats are Natura 2000 sites 'Coastal dunes with Juniperus spp')	Unknown	Likely if presence confirmed	Low

Among other species of conservation (but which do not appear as CR or EN) the following waterbirds are believed to be found in significant numbers in some of the man-made water storages located within the 15km buffer around the overhead line:

- Marbled Teal (Marmaronetta angustirostris), VU): found in significant numbers in Barrage Mlâabi and Barrage Oued El Hjar Ramsar sites. Important populations are present in other water reservoirs nearby
- Ferruginous Duck (*Aythya nyroca*, NT): >1% of the global population is believed to live in Barrage Oued El Hjar Ramsar Site. Important populations are present in other water reservoirs nearby.
- Greater Flamingo (*Phoenicopterus roseus*, LC): >1% of the global population is believed to live in Barrage Oued El Hjar Ramsar Site. Important populations are known from Lebna dam.
- Waterbirds and other bird species listed as of Least Concern (LC) but which are found in significant numbers in some reservoirs in the area (e.g. Lebna, Soliman, Masri, and possibly others): Glossy

 $<sup>^{3}</sup>$  A fish migrating up rivers from the sea to spawn. The opposite of catadromous.











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Ibis (*Plegadis falcinellus*), Eurasian Spoonbill (*Platalea leucorodia*), Little Bittern (*Ixobrychus minutus*), Western Swamphen (*Porphyrio porphyrio*), White stork (*Ciconia ciconia*), Mediterranean gull (*Ichthyaetus melanocephalus*), Sandwich tern (*Sterna sandvicensis*), Collared Pratincole (*Glareola pratincola*), Eurasian Wigeon (*Anas penelope*), Common Coot (*Fulica atra*), Little Grebe (*Tachybaptus ruficollis*), Great Crested Grebe (*Podiceps cristatus*), Lesser Kestrel (*Falco naumanni*), etc.

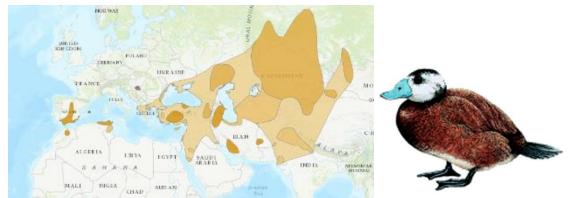


Figure 3.1: Distribution and image of the White-headed Duck (Source: IUCN)



Figure 3.2: On the left image of the Egyptian Vulture (source: www.oiseaux.net); on the right track of two Egyptian Vultures passing through Cap Bon Peninsula on their migration between Tunisia and Sicily (source: https://flightforsurvival.org/fr/update-egyptian-vultures-sara-tobia-reach-african-skies/)



Figure 3.3: Saker Falcon on the left, Red-footed Falcon on the right (source of both images: www.ebird.org)











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Figure 3.4: Known distribution of the Punican Bleak to the left (orange: present, red: extinct) and Tunisian Bleak to the right (orange: present, purple: possibly present). Source of both images: IUCN Red List

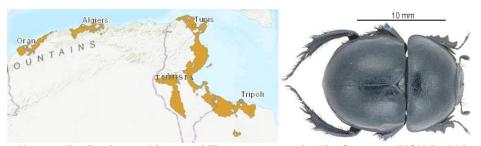


Figure 3.5: Known distribution and image of Thorectes puncticollis. Sources: IUCN Red List (left) and http://jcringenbach.free.fr/website/beetles/scarabaeidae/Thorectes\_puncticollis.htm (right)



Figure 3.6: Known distribution and image of Acanthodactylus blanci. Sources: IUCN Red List (left) and https://reptiledatabase.reptarium.cz/species?genus=Acanthodactylus&species=blanci (right)



Figure 3.7: Potential distribution of Laccariopsis mediterranea's (Source of image: www.mycodb.fr)











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# 3.1.2 Protected areas and key biodiversity areas (PA/KBA)

PA/KBA located around Zone 1 are presented in the table below.

Table 3.2: PA/KBA located around Zone 1 (Onshore Tunisia, overhead line)

Name	Туре	Summary	Distance from Project
Barrage Mlâabi	Ramsar Site and Important Bird Area (IBA)	98 ha freshwater storage area on the Cap Bon peninsula constructed mainly for ground water recharge, serving today for irrigation. It supports several populations of waterbirds migrating between Africa and Eurasia, as well as Endangered (EN) White-headed Duck (Oxyura leucocephala, up to 32 individuals) and Vulnerable (VU) Marbled Teal (Marmaronetta angustirostris).	< 300m from Mlâabi station
Barrage oued el Hjar	Ramsar Site and Key Biodiversity Area	One of the most recent and biggest freshwater dams (254 ha) in a series recently constructed in Tunisia for agricultural purposes. It is an important migratory bottleneck for migrating birds which pass across the Mediterranean and is a nesting and wintering ground for several waterbirds (e.g. Oxyura leucocephala, Marmaronetta angustirostris. In spring, it provides a resting place for several species (not only waterbirds) which migrate to Africa in winter. It harbours more than 1% of the population of several important waterbird species including Arythya nyroca, Oxyura leucocephala and Phoenicopterus roseus.	< 5 km from Mlâabi station
Barrage Lebna	Ramsar Site and Important Bird Area (IBA)	1,147 ha of water reservoir isolated from the rest of the national dam system, effectively preventing any water exchange between this site and other nearby barrages. It has become a destination for tens of thousands of waterfowl migrating between Africa and Europe (Marmaronetta angustirostris, Oxyura leucocephala, Aythya nyroca etc.). The site is classified as an IBA due to its importance for migratory and nesting waterbirds (number exceed 20.000 birds), such as the Glossy Ibis (Plegadis falcinellus), the Eurasian Spoonbill (Platalea leucorodia), the Little Bittern (Ixobrychus minutus), the Western Swamphen (Porphyrio porphyrio), etc	< 2 km from the overhead line











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Name	Туре	Summary	Distance from Project
Barrage Sidi Abdelmoneem	Ramsar Site and Key Biodiversity Area (KBA)	31 ha artificial reservoir which provides nesting opportunities for many threatened waterfowl species (Oxyura leucocephala, Marmaronetta angustirostris).	<5 km from the overhead line
Barrage El Masri	Important Bird Area (IBA)	Unlike the Cap Bon reservoirs, it has been constructed for water-supply to the national grid rather than local irrigation. It is situated quite high up in the Dorsale and flanked by mountains which reach 660 m, to the west of the town of Grombalia, south-east of Tunis. Though the reservoir is small, it holds Oxyura leucocephala (10–50 pairs), while breeding species include Podiceps cristatus and Tachybaptus ruficollis. Wintering waterbirds include Aythya ferina and Fulica atra.	~10 km from overhead line
Jbel Zaghouan	Key Biodiversity Area	Very little information on the biodiversity value of this KBA <sup>4</sup>	Overlap according to IBAT dataset, but considered to be an error (*)
from the OHL with	n no direct overlapping with	which based on relevant literature is loca on the latter (ATECMA, ECOTONO, 2012 a BAT Core GIS data package seems to be	and Oréade-Brèche,
Aqueduc de Zaghouan	IBA	The site is a Roman aqueduct, situated 17 km south of Tunis, which used to form part of the Zaghouan to Carthage water-supply system. It consists of a series of 20-m-high pillars and arches in which many cavities and holes have developed. The cavities and holes in the aqueduct are used as nesting and roosting sites by Falco naumanni (30 pairs), F. biarmicus, F. tinnunculus, Coracias garrulus, Petronia petronia, Sturnus unicolor and Corvus corax	~ 5km from overhead line
Lagunes du Cap Bon oriental / Korba	Ramsar Site and IBAT	504 ha coastal wetlands isolated from the sea by a thin sand strip and beaches. The variety of habitats and vegetation make the site ideal for several species of fauna, especially reptiles and waterfowl, several of which are threatened.	~10 km from overhead line
Lagunes de Soliman (Sebkhet Soliman)	Ramsar Site and IBA	The coastal plains of Soliman are located at the southern end of the Gulf of Tunis, between two mountains, Djebel Bou Kournine and Djebel Korbeus. The site is representative of	~10 km from overhead line

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 $<sup>^4\</sup> https://www.keybiodiversityareas.org/site/factsheet/31736$ 











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Name	Туре	Summary	Distance from Project
		the large coastal plain in a quasi- natural state and includes a lagoon, sandy areas and dunes. It serves as a refuge for species whose original habitats have disappeared, particularly given the proximity to Tunis, It is an important refuge for waterbirds, supporting nesting populations of many species, such as Marbled teal (Marmaronetta angustirostris), White stork (Ciconia ciconia), Mediterranean gull (Ichthyaetus melanocephalus), Sandwich tern (Sterna sandvicensis) and Collared Pratincole (Glareola pratincola).	
Complexe des zones humides de barrage Ghédir El Golla et barrage El Mornaguia	Ramsar Site and Important Bird Area (IBA)	273 ha freshwater storage areas nearby the city of Tunis constructed for potable water supply and irrigation, providing nesting grounds for several waterbirds and a wintering ground for migrating species, including the Eurasian Wigeon (Anas Penelope), the Marbled Teal (Marmaronetta angustirostris) and White-Headed Duck (Oxyura leucocephala - up to 73 individuals, representing 14 % of the species population in the West Palearctic region).	
Parc National Boukornine	National Park and KBA	19 km2 of national park located east of Tunis which supports important flora and fauna species in an increasingly urbanised landscape.	~6 km from the overhead line
Forêt de Dar Chichou	Faunal Reserve	Forest located close to the northern extreme of Cap Bon Peninsula	~15 from Mlâabi station
Barrage Bezirk	Key Biodiversity Area (KBA)	Very little information on the biodiversity value of this KBA	~10 km from overhead line
Barrage Chiba	Key Biodiversity Area (KBA)	Very little information on the biodiversity value of this KBA	<500m from overhead line
Dunes de Ras El Melan	Key Biodiversity Area (KBA)	Little information on the biodiversity value of this KBA	~10 km from overhead line











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Figure 3.8: KBA in the OHL wide area (Source: IBAT Report and core GIS data)











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# 4. ZONE 2 - ONSHORE TUNISIA (UNDERGROUND CABLE AND CONVERTER STATION)

# 4.1 Biodiversity significance

## 4.1.1 Species of conservation importance

The Cap Bon peninsula, notably the wetlands around El Haouaria, is an important feeding area and essential stopover for many migratory birds (birds-of-prey and large soaring birds, e.g. White Stork *Ciconia ciconia*) on their seasonal journeys between Europe and Africa across the Strait of Sicily<sup>5</sup>. The various man-made water reservoirs (*barrages*) are of high importance for waterbirds such as the Endangered (EN) White-headed Duck (*Oxyura leucocephala*) and Vulnerable (VU) Marbled Teal (*Marmaronetta angustirostris*). The area is highly threatened by hunting<sup>6</sup>.

High priority species for Zone 2 are presented in the table below.

Table 4.1: Species of conservation importance (Onshore Tunisia, underground cables and Converter Station)

Species IUCN status		status ir a		Potential CH trigger	Risk of significant impacts from project
White-headed Duck (Oxyura leucocephala)	EN	This bird is known to be resident in Northern Africa, where 400-600 individuals are estimated in Algeria and Tunisia. It breeds on small enclosed semi-permanent brackish or eutrophic lakes surrounded by emergent vegetation (BirdLife International, 2022). It is known from the Mlâabi dam (Ideaconsult et al, 2022)	Confirmed	Likely	Medium
Egyptian Vulture (Neophron percnopterus)	EN	This bird is Vulnerable (VU) in the Mediterranean according to a recent assessment (Westrip et al, 2022). It occurs in a variety of habitats and typically nests on ledges or in caves on cliffs. It is known to breed in Tunisia. An important part of the breeding population of Eurasia passes through the Strait of Gibraltar and the Red Sea Flyway, but individuals also pass through Cap Bon in Tunisia. In Tunisia illegal trade and poisoning have been reported. Collision with and electrocution by power lines are a potential threat to the species.	Reported but not confirmed	Likely if presence confirmed	Low
Saker Falcon ( <i>Falco cherrug</i> )	EN	This bird is Critically Endangered (CR) in the Mediterranean according to a recent assessment (Westrip & BirdLife	Reported but not confirmed	Likely if presence confirmed	Low

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Species	IUCN status	Distribution	Presence in Project area	Potential CH trigger	Risk of significant impacts from project
		International, 2022a). Within the Mediterranean region it is only thought to breed in North Macedonia, where there is a tiny population of 0-3 pairs. It has traditionally been used for falconry purposes.			
Red-footed Falcon (Falco vespertinus)	VU	This bird is Critically Endangered in the Mediterranean (CR) according to a recent assessment (Westrip & BirdLife International, 2022b). In the Mediterranean the species only breeds in Northern Italy and Turkey. Main threats include illegal killing and poisoning, as well as electrocution on power lines.	Reported but not confirmed	Likely if presence confirmed	Low
Tunisian Bleak (Tropidophoxinellus chaignoni)	EN	This fish is known from five locations in northeastern Tunisia only (Freyhof & Ford, 2022b), between the Meliane River south of Tunis to tributaries of the Sebkha Kelbia intermittent lake in Souss Governorate, including the Abid and Lebna rivers on the Cape Bon Peninsula. It prefers low altitude, slow-moving stretches of rivers and tributaries. It is unclear whether it has successfully colonised the numerous artificial reservoirs created by dam construction within its range. Major threats include pollution, excessive abstraction of ground and surface water, and dam construction	Not reported	Likely if presence confirmed	Low
Thorectes puncticollis	EN	This insect has a distribution restricted to sandy soils with xerothermic scrublands at low altitudes in Algeria, Tunisia and Libya. In Tunisia, it has been recently reported from new localities in Sousse, Sfax, Kairouan and Tataouine. Historical records from Tunis correspond to a subpopulation which have probably	Not reported	Likely if presence confirmed	Low











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Species	IUCN	Distribution	Presence	Potential	Risk of
Species	status	Distribution	in Project area	CH trigger	significant impacts from project
		disappeared, due to the expansion of the city ( <u>IUCN</u> )			
Blanc's Fringe-toed Lizard (Acanthodactylus blanci)	EN	This lizard is known from coastal, and some inland, regions of northwestern and northeastern Tunisia, and northern Algeria, between sea level up to 900 m asl. It is found in semi-arid habitats with open vegetation, at coastal sites, in dunes with plant growth, and in areas of clay substrate with shrubs or sparse Eucalyptus plantations. It has also been recorded from pine forests.	Not reported	Likely if presence confirmed	Low
North African Shad (Alosa algeriensis)	EN	This fish is anadromous <sup>7</sup> fish is endemic to Northern Africa and Western Sardinia costs, including coastal lagoons and rivers. Some unconfirmed subpopulations might be landlocked residents of artificial freshwater lakes (Freyhof & Ford, 2022b).	Not reported	Likely if presence confirmed	Low
Collybie méditerranéenne ( <i>Laccariopsis</i> <i>mediterranea</i> )	EN	Rare fungus growing in coastal dune habitats in the western Mediterranean, including Sicily (usually their habitats are Natura 2000 sites 'Coastal dunes with Juniperus spp')	Unknown	Likely if presence confirmed	Low

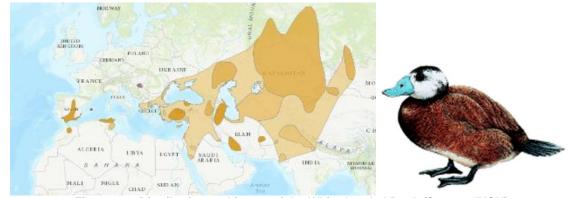


Figure 4.1: Distribution and image of the White-headed Duck (Source: IUCN)

 $<sup>^{7}\,\</sup>mathrm{A}$  fish migrating up rivers from the sea to spawn. The opposite of catadromous.











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Figure 4.2 : On the left image of the Egyptian Vulture (source: www.oiseaux.net); on the right track of two Egyptian Vultures passing through Cap Bon Peninsula on their migration between Tunisia and Sicily (source: https://flightforsurvival.org/fr/update-egyptian-vultures-sara-tobia-reach-african-skies/)



Figure 4.3 : Saker Falcon on the left, Red-footed Falcon on the right (source of both images: www.ebird.org)

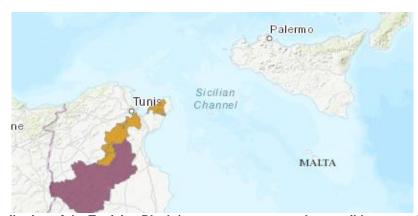


Figure 4.4: Known distribution of the Tunisian Bleak (orange: present, purple: possibly present). Source: IUCN Red List

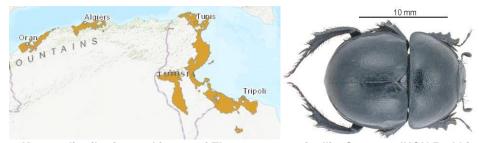


Figure 4.5: Known distribution and image of Thorectes puncticollis. Sources: IUCN Red List (left) and http://jcringenbach.free.fr/website/beetles/scarabaeidae/Thorectes\_puncticollis.htm (right)











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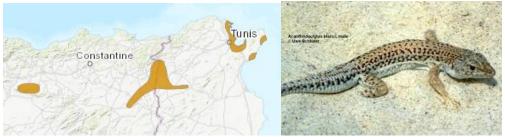


Figure 4.6 : Known distribution and image of Acanthodactylus blanci. Sources: IUCN Red List (left) and https://reptiledatabase.reptarium.cz/species?genus=Acanthodactylus&species=blanci (right)



Figure 4.7 : Potential distribution of Laccariopsis mediterranea's (Source of image: www.mycodb.fr)

# 4.1.2 Protected areas and key biodiversity areas (PA/KBA)

PA/KBA located around Zone 2 are presented in the table below.

Table 4.2: PA/KBA located around Zone 2 (Onshore Tunisia, underground cables)

Name	Туре	Summary	Distance from Project
Barrage Mlâabi	Wetland of National Importance (Ramsar) and Important Bird Area (IBA)	Cap Bon peninsula constructed mainly	< 1 km (station is located 270m from the dam)











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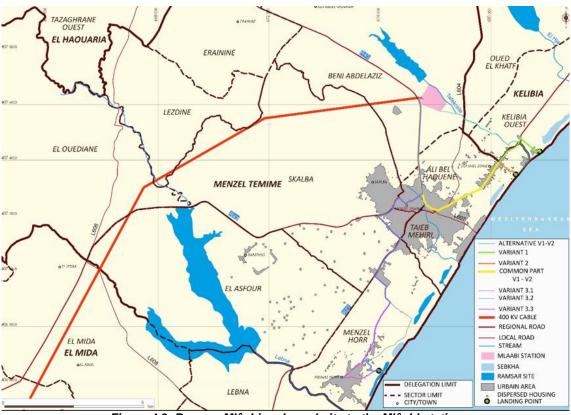


Figure 4.8: Barrage Mlâabi and proximity to the Mlâabi station











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#### 5. ZONE 3 - NEARSHORE TUNISIA

# 5.1 Biodiversity significance

## 5.1.1 Species of conservation importance

High priority species for Zone 3 are presented in the table below.

Table 5.1- Species of conservation importance (Nearshore Tunisia)

Species	IUCN status	Distribution	Presence in the Project area	Potential CH trigger	Risk of significant impacts from project
Logerheadn turtle (Caretta caretta)	VU	Most common sea turtle in the Mediterranean. It is known to nest from Northeastern Tunisia (late June-early July)	Confirmed but no records during project studies	Unlikely	Low
Common Bottlenose Dolphin ( <i>Tursiops</i> <i>truncatus</i> )	VU*	Widely distributed throughout the Mediterranean. A resident population is known in Cap Bon Peninsula waters (Kélibia IMMA).	Confirmed from Kélibia IMMA <sup>8</sup> but no records during project studies	Unlikely	Medium

<sup>\*</sup>in the Mediterranean. At global level this species is listed as of Least Concern (LC)

Other marine species (sea turtles, sharks, rays, guitarfish, dolphins, etc) that are threatened according to the IUCN Red List have the potential to be found in the shallow waters around the Project area (see full list contained in the IBAT Report in Appendix 3). Most of these species are found around the Mediterranean and beyond (some have global distributions) but they are threatened due to illegal killing and other human related threats<sup>9</sup>. The presence of these species around the project area cannot be excluded.

The North African Shad (*Alosa algeriensis*, EN) is an anadromous<sup>10</sup> fish endemic to Northern Africa and Western Sardini'as costs, including coastal lagoons and rivers (Freyhof & Ford, 2022b). Two other species, Fan Mussel (*Pinna nobilis*, CR) and Mediterranean Pillow Coral (*Cladocora caespitosa*, EN) are endemic to the Mediterranean Sea at low depths. The presence of these species cannot be excluded from the project area but the risk of significant impacts from the project is considered low.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> https://www.marinemammalhabitat.org/wp-content/uploads/imma-factsheets/Mediterranean/Kelibia-Mediterranean.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Among these species, the Common Dolphin (*Delphinus delphi*, EN in the Mediterranean), the Striped Dolphin (*Stenella coeruleoalba*, VU in the Mediterranean) and the Fin Whale (*Balaenoptera physalus*, EN in the Mediterranean) were recorded from Capo San Marco and Capo Feto by the Italian National Centre for Research (CNR) in 2013 (RINA & COMETE, 2021)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> A fish migrating up rivers from the sea to spawn. The opposite of catadromous.











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Figure 5.1: Loggerhead Turtle (Caretta caretta) on the left, Common Bottlenose Dolphin (Tursiops truncates) on the right.

Source of both images: IUCN Red List.



Figure 5.2: Known distribution of the North African Shade (red=extinct). Source: IUCN Red List)

#### 5.1.2 Protected areas and key biodiversity areas (PA/KBA)

The Tunisian nearshore portion of the project (marine cables) partially overlaps with the Kélibia Important Marine Mammal Area (IMMA), a 6000 km² area located around the north-eastern Cap Bon (see Figure 5.3). IMMAs are "discrete portions of habitat, important to marine mammal species, that have the potential to be delineated and managed for conservation"<sup>11</sup> which are identified via an initiative of the Marine Mammal Protected Areas Task Force<sup>12</sup>. The Kélibia IMMA is considered to support a resident population of the Vulnerable Mediterranean Common Bottlenose Dolphin (*Tursiops truncatus*), which is impacted by intensive fishing in the area<sup>13</sup>.

The marine cable crosses the Sicilian Channel Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas (EBSA), considered of high importance given its diversity of geomorphological and ecological features.

<sup>11</sup> https://www.marinemammalhabitat.org/immas/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> The Marine Mammal Protected Areas Task Force (MMPATF) was created in 2013 by the International Committee on Marine Mammal Protected Areas (ICMMPA), the International Union for the Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA) Marine Vice Chair, and members of the IUCN's Species Survival Commission (SSC) to help support a stronger global profile and to provide a stronger voice for the MMPA constituency within IUCN.

<sup>13</sup> https://www.marinemammalhabitat.org/wp-content/uploads/imma-factsheets/Mediterranean/Kelibia-Mediterranean.pdf











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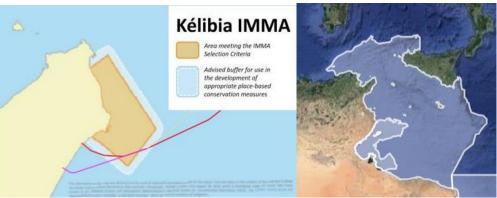


Figure 5.3: On the left the Kélibia Important Marine Mammal Area (IMMA) and overlap with the marine cable in nearshore waters of Tunisia (Source: Rina & COMETE, 2021). Note the red line is considered to be the most up-to-date cable route.

On the right the Sicilian Channel EBSA (Source: https://www.cbd.int/ebsa/).



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#### 6. ZONE 4 - OFFSHORE AREAS

#### **Biodiversity significance** 6.1

## 6.1.1 Species of conservation importance

Various marine species (sharks, rays, guitarfish, dolphins, etc.) that are threatened according to the IUCN Red List have the potential to be found in the deep waters around the Project area. The full list contained in the IBAT Report is provided in Appendix 3. Most of these species are found around the Mediterranean and beyond (some have global distributions) but they are threatened due to illegal killing and other human related. Their presence around the project area cannot be excluded.

#### 6.1.2 Protected areas and key biodiversity areas (PA/KBA)

The Project crosses the Sicilian Channel Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas (EBSA)<sup>14</sup>, considered of high importance given its diversity of geomorphological and ecological features due to an exchange of water masses and organisms between the west and east Mediterranean basins. Among the key biodiversity features to be noted (RINA and COMETE, 2021):

- Habitat types: seamounts, deep-sea corals, seagrass beds (as shallow depths)
- Spawning areas for various fish species, e.g. red mullet, bluefin tuna, swordfish, anchovy
- Nursery areas for various species, e.g. the White shark (Rostroraja alba, EN)
- Feeding areas for various seabirds, e.g. Scopoli's shearwater (Calonectris diomedea, LC), Yelkouan shearwater (Puffinus velkouan, VU), the Mediterranean subspecies of Storm-petrel (Hydrobates pelagicus melitensis, LC)
- Possibly the last important habitat for the Critically Endangered (CR) Maltese skate (Leucoraja melitensis)

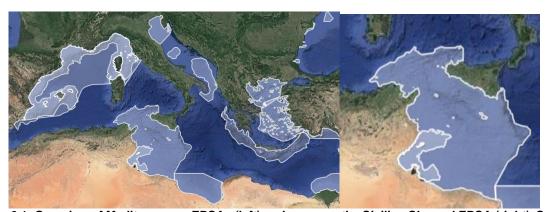


Figure 6.1: Overview of Mediterranean EBSAs (left) and zoom on the Sicilian Channel EBSA (right). Source: https://www.cbd.int/ebsa/

<sup>14</sup> https://www.cbd.int/ebsa/











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Appendix 1 — Original IBAT report



# Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool World Bank Group Biodiversity Risk Screen

# OVERALL\_PR\_BUFFER\_15KM

• Country: Tunisia

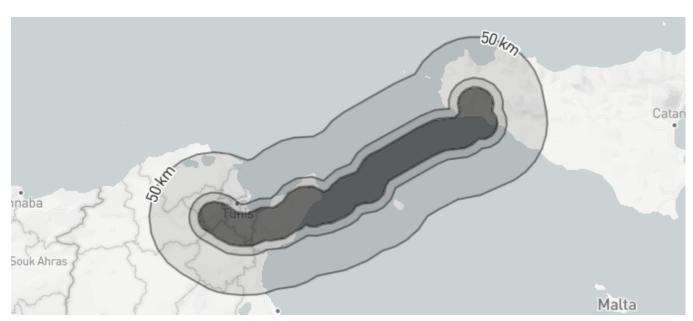
• **Location:** [ 37, 11.5 ]

• IUCN Red List Biomes: Marine, Freshwater, Terrestrial

• Created by: Monica Agostinone

# Overlaps with:

Protected Areas World Heritage (WH)	1 km: <b>27</b> 10 km: <b>19</b> 50 km: <b>100 146</b> 1 km: <b>0</b> 10 km: <b>0</b> 50 km: <b>1</b> 1
Key Biodiversity Areas Alliance for Zero Extinction (AZE)	1 km: 17
IUCN Red List	83
Critical Habitat	Likely



Displaying project location and buffers: 1 km, 10 km, 50 km



This report is based on IFC Performance Standard 6 (PS6) but applies to World Bank Environmental and Social Standard 6 (ESS6)













# About this report

The recommendations stated alongside any Protected Areas and Key Biodiversity Areas identified in this report are determined by the following:

#### **Protected Areas:**

- 'Highest risk. Seek expert help' is stated if the report identifies a designation that includes either 'natural' or 'mixed world heritage site'.
- 'Assess for Critical Habitat' is stated if the report identifies a Strict Nature Reserve, Wilderness Area or National Park as coded by IUCN protected area categories Ia, Ib and II.
- 'Assess for biodiversity risk' is stated if the report identifies any other type of protected area.

#### **Key Biodiversity Areas:**

- 'Highest risk. Seek expert help' is stated if the report identifies an Alliance for Zero Extinction site.
- 'Assess for Critical Habitat' is stated if the report identifies Critically Endangered or Endangered species OR species with restricted ranges OR congregatory species as coded in the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species.
- 'Assess for biodiversity risk' is stated if the report identifies any other type of Key Biodiversity Area.

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This report identifies restricted range species according to the KBA Standard definition (hyperlink KBA Standard https://portals.iucn.org/library/sites/library/files/documents/2016-048.pdf):

Species having a global range size less than or equal to the 25th percentile of range-size distribution in a taxonomic group within which all species have been mapped globally, up to a maximum of 50,000 km2. If all species in a taxonomic group have not been mapped globally, or if the 25th percentile of range-size distribution for a taxonomic group falls below 10,000 km2, restricted range should be defined as having a global range size less than or equal to 10,000 km2. For coastal, riverine and other species with linear distributions that do not exceed 200 km width at any point, restricted range is defined as having a global range less than or 15 equal to 500 km linear geographic span (i.e. the distance between occupied locations furthest apart).

Note, sites supporting restricted range species can qualify as KBAs under criterion B2. These are sites that hold a significant proportion of the global population size of multiple restricted-range species, and so contribute significantly to the global persistence of biodiversity at the genetic and species level.

The report screens for known risks within a standard 50km buffer of the coordinates used for analysis. This buffer is not intended to indicate the area of impact. The report can be used to:

Scope risks to include within an assessment of risks and impacts













- Identify gaps within an existing assessment of risks and impacts
- Prioritize between sites in a portfolio for further assessment of risks and impacts
- Inform a preliminary determination of Critical Habitat
- Assess the need for engaging a biodiversity specialist
- · Identify additional conservation experts or organizations to inform further assessment or planning

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# **Priority Species**

Habitat of significant importance to priority species will trigger Critical Habitat status (See PS6: para 16). IBAT provides a preliminary list of priority species that could occur within the 50km buffer. This list is drawn from the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species (IUCN RL). This list should be used to guide any further assessment, with the aim of confirming knownor likely occurrence of these species within the project area. It is also possible that further assessment may confirm occurrence of additional priority species not listed here. It is strongly encouraged that any new species information collected by the project be shared with species experts and/or IUCN wherever possible in order to improve IUCN datasets.

# **IUCN Red List of Threatened Species - CR & EN**

The following species are potentially found within 50km of the area of interest. For the full IUCN Red List please refer to the associated csv in the report folder.

Species Name	Common Name	Taxonomic Group	IUCN Category	Population Trend	Biome
Acipenser sturio	European Sturgeon	ACTINOPTERYGII	CR	Decreasing	Marine, Freshwater
Carcharias taurus	Sand Tiger Shark	CHONDRICHTHYES	CR	Decreasing	Marine
Squatina squatina	Angelshark	CHONDRICHTHYES	CR	Decreasing	Marine
Galeorhinus galeus	Торе	CHONDRICHTHYES	CR	Decreasing	Marine
Sphyrna mokarran	Great Hammerhead	CHONDRICHTHYES	CR	Decreasing	Marine
Aetomylaeus bovinus	Duckbill Eagle Ray	CHONDRICHTHYES	CR	Decreasing	Marine
Anguilla anguilla	European Eel	ACTINOPTERYGII	CR	Decreasing	Marine, Freshwater
Anaecypris punica	Punican Bleak	ACTINOPTERYGII	CR	Decreasing	Freshwater
Leucoraja melitensis	Maltese Skate	CHONDRICHTHYES	CR	Decreasing	Marine













Squatina aculeata       Sawback Angelshark       CHONDRICHTHYES       CR       Decreasing         Squatina oculata       Smoothback Angelshark       CHONDRICHTHYES       CR       Decreasing         Rhinobatos rhinobatos       Common Guitarfish       CHONDRICHTHYES       CR       Decreasing         Cernuella amanda       GASTROPODA       CR       Unknown         Rhinoptera marginata       Lusitanian Cownose Ray       CHONDRICHTHYES       CR       Decreasing         Myliobatis aquila       Common Eagle Ray       CHONDRICHTHYES       CR       Decreasing         Brassica macrocarpa       MAGNOLIOPSIDA       CR       Stable         Serapias stenopetala       Sérapias à Pétales Étroits       LILIOPSIDA       CR       Decreasing         Epilobium numidicum       Epilobe de Numidie       MAGNOLIOPSIDA       CR       Decreasing         Rumex tunetanus       Patience de Tunisie       MAGNOLIOPSIDA       CR       Decreasing         Charpentieria spezialensis       GASTROPODA       CR       Unknown	opulation end Biome
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Charpentieria CASTRORODA CR Decreasin	ecreasing Terrestrial, Freshwater
	ecreasing Terrestrial, Freshwater
	nknown Terrestrial
Charpentieria GASTROPODA CR Decreasin	ecreasing Terrestrial
Puccinellia LILIOPSIDA CR Unknown gussonei	nknown Terrestrial













Species Name	Common Name	Taxonomic Group	IUCN Category	Population Trend	Biome
Nomada siciliensis		INSECTA	CR	Unknown	Terrestrial
Numenius tenuirostris	Slender-billed Curlew	AVES	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Marine, Freshwater
Puffinus mauretanicus	Balearic Shearwater	AVES	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Marine
Decorana drepanensis	Trapani Bush- cricket	INSECTA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Uromenus riggioi	Riggio's Saddle Bush-cricket	INSECTA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Isoetes todaroana	Sicilian Quillwort	LYCOPODIOPSIDA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Freshwater
Sorbus busambarensis		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	CR	Unknown	Terrestrial
Ptilostemon greuteri		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	CR	Stable	Terrestrial
Glaucostegus cemiculus	Blackchin Guitarfish	CHONDRICHTHYES	CR	Decreasing	Marine
Pinna nobilis	Fan Mussel	BIVALVIA	CR	Decreasing	Marine
Carcharhinus plumbeus	Sandbar Shark	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Cetorhinus maximus	Basking Shark	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Chelonia mydas	Green Turtle	REPTILIA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Marine













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Mustelus mustelus	Common Smoothhound	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Cornu mazzullii		GASTROPODA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Centrophorus uyato	Little Gulper Shark	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Echinorhinus brucus	Bramble Shark	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Calopteryx exul	Glittering Demoiselle	INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Freshwater
Rostroraja alba	White Skate	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Acanthodactylus blanci	Blanc's Fringe- toed Lizard	REPTILIA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Oxynotus centrina	Angular Roughshark	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Gymnura altavela	Spiny Butterfly Ray	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Cladocora caespitosa	Mediterranean Pillow Coral	ANTHOZOA	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Alosa algeriensis	North African Shad	ACTINOPTERYGII	EN	Decreasing	Marine, Freshwater
Cernuella rugosa		GASTROPODA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Marmorana nebrodensis		GASTROPODA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Raja radula	Rough Skate	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine













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Raja undulata	Undulate Skate	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Leucoraja circularis	Sandy Skate	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Tripolium sorrentinoi		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	EN	Stable	Terrestrial
Rumex algeriensis	Renouée d'Algérie	MAGNOLIOPSIDA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial, Freshwater
Pilularia minuta	Dwarf Pillwort	POLYPODIOPSIDA	EN	Decreasing	Freshwater
Rhynchospora modesti-lucennoi		LILIOPSIDA	EN	Decreasing	Freshwater
Oxychilus fuscosus		GASTROPODA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Charpentieria eminens		GASTROPODA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Charpentieria leucophryna		GASTROPODA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Charpentieria nobilis		GASTROPODA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Leopoldia gussonei		LILIOPSIDA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Pomatoschistus tortonesei	Tortonese's Goby	ACTINOPTERYGII	EN	Unknown	Marine
Allium agrigentinum		LILIOPSIDA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Sphingonotus personatus	Italian Sand Grasshopper	INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial













Species Name	Common Name	Taxonomic Group	IUCN Category	Population Trend	Biome
Ochrilidia sicula	Sicilian Match Grasshopper	INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Dociostaurus minutus	Sicilian Cross- backed Grasshopper	INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Balaenoptera physalus Mediterranean subpopulation	Fin Whale	MAMMALIA	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Physeter macrocephalus Mediterranean subpopulation	Sperm Whale	MAMMALIA	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Grampus griseus Mediterranean subpopulation	Risso's Dolphin	MAMMALIA	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Oxyura leucocephala	White-headed Duck	AVES	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Freshwater
Neophron percnopterus	Egyptian Vulture	AVES	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Freshwater
Falco cherrug	Saker Falcon	AVES	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Marine, Freshwater
Neomarius gandolphii		INSECTA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Calicnemis latreillei		INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Thorectes puncticollis		INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial













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Pterolepis elymica	Sicilian Bush- cricket	INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Rhynchostegium strongylense		BRYOPSIDA	EN	Stable	Terrestrial
Limonium poimenum		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Mobula mobular	Spinetail Devil Ray	CHONDRICHTHYES	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Brassica drepanensis		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Tropidophoxinellus chaignoni	Tunisian Bleak	ACTINOPTERYGII	EN	Decreasing	Freshwater
Laccariopsis mediterranea	Collybie méditerranéenne	AGARICOMYCETES	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Delphinus delphis Inner Mediterranean subpopulation	Common Dolphin	MAMMALIA	EN	Decreasing	Marine
Globicephala melas Inner Mediterranean subpopulation	Long-finned Pilot Whale	MAMMALIA	EN	Decreasing	Marine

# **Restricted Range Species**

	mon Name	Taxonomic Group	IUCN Category	Population Trend	Biome
Acipenser sturio Europ Sturg	oean Jeon	ACTINOPTERYGII	CR	Decreasing	Marine, Freshwater













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Cernuella amanda		GASTROPODA	CR	Unknown	Terrestrial
Brassica macrocarpa		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	CR	Stable	Terrestrial
Serapias stenopetala	Sérapias à Pétales Étroits	LILIOPSIDA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Freshwater
Rumex tunetanus	Patience de Tunisie	MAGNOLIOPSIDA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Freshwater
Charpentieria spezialensis		GASTROPODA	CR	Unknown	Terrestrial
Charpentieria crassicostata		GASTROPODA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Numenius tenuirostris	Slender-billed Curlew	AVES	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Marine, Freshwater
Decorana drepanensis	Trapani Bush- cricket	INSECTA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Isoetes todaroana	Sicilian Quillwort	LYCOPODIOPSIDA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Freshwater
Sorbus busambarensis		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	CR	Unknown	Terrestrial
Ptilostemon greuteri		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	CR	Stable	Terrestrial
Cornu mazzullii		GASTROPODA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Acanthodactylus blanci	Blanc's Fringe- toed Lizard	REPTILIA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial













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Cernuella rugosa		GASTROPODA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Marmorana nebrodensis		GASTROPODA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Tripolium sorrentinoi		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	EN	Stable	Terrestrial
Oxychilus fuscosus		GASTROPODA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Charpentieria eminens		GASTROPODA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Charpentieria leucophryna		GASTROPODA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Charpentieria nobilis		GASTROPODA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Leopoldia gussonei		LILIOPSIDA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Allium agrigentinum		LILIOPSIDA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Ochrilidia sicula	Sicilian Match Grasshopper	INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Dociostaurus minutus	Sicilian Cross- backed Grasshopper	INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Pterolepis elymica	Sicilian Bush- cricket	INSECTA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Rhynchostegium strongylense		BRYOPSIDA	EN	Stable	Terrestrial













Species Name	Common Name	Taxonomic Group	IUCN Category	Population Trend	Biome
Limonium poimenum		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	EN	Unknown	Terrestrial
Rupestrella homala		GASTROPODA	VU	Stable	Terrestrial
Acicula benoiti		GASTROPODA	VU	Unknown	Terrestrial
Rupestrella jaeckeli		GASTROPODA	VU	Stable	Terrestrial
Clytus clavicornis		INSECTA	VU	Unknown	Terrestrial
Cochlostoma paladilhianum		GASTROPODA	VU	Stable	Terrestrial
Larus audouinii	Audouin's Gull	AVES	VU	Decreasing	Terrestrial, Marine
Esarcus fiorii		INSECTA	VU	Unknown	Terrestrial
Tetratoma tedaldi		INSECTA	VU	Unknown	Terrestrial
Tessellana lagrecai	La Greca's Slender Bush- cricket	INSECTA	VU	Unknown	Terrestrial
Grammoptera viridipennis		INSECTA	VU	Stable	Terrestrial
Neopiciella sicula		INSECTA	VU	Stable	Terrestrial
Gagea chrysantha	Gagée dorée	LILIOPSIDA	VU	Unknown	Terrestrial
Gagea apulica	Gagée des Pouilles	LILIOPSIDA	VU	Decreasing	Terrestrial













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Thanasimodes dorsalis		INSECTA	VU	Unknown	Terrestrial
Schileykiella reinae		GASTROPODA	NT OR LR/NT	Unknown	Terrestrial
Rupestrella rupestris		GASTROPODA	NT OR LR/NT	Stable	Terrestrial
Monacha gregaria		GASTROPODA	NT OR LR/NT	Unknown	Terrestrial
Schileykiella parlatoris		GASTROPODA	NT OR LR/NT	Unknown	Terrestrial
Platyla subdiaphana		GASTROPODA	NT OR LR/NT	Unknown	Terrestrial
Ropalopus siculus		INSECTA	NT OR LR/NT	Unknown	Terrestrial
Brassica rupestris		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	NT OR LR/NT	Stable	Terrestrial
Charpentieria septemplicata		GASTROPODA	NT OR LR/NT	Stable	Terrestrial
Oxychilus canini		GASTROPODA	NT OR LR/NT	Unknown	Terrestrial
Charpentieria tiberii		GASTROPODA	NT OR LR/NT	Stable	Terrestrial
Desmazeria sicula		LILIOPSIDA	NT OR LR/NT	Unknown	Terrestrial
Esarcus leprieuri		INSECTA	NT OR LR/NT	Unknown	Terrestrial













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Acinipe galvagnii	Galvagni's Stone Grasshopper	INSECTA	NT OR LR/NT	Unknown	Terrestrial
Tandonia marinellii		GASTROPODA	NT OR LR/NT	Stable	Terrestrial
Sphingonotus arenarius	Algerian Sand Grasshopper	INSECTA	NT OR LR/NT	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Marmorana globularis		GASTROPODA	LC OR LR/LC	Unknown	Terrestrial
Trochoidea caroni		GASTROPODA	LC OR LR/LC	Increasing	Terrestrial
Salvinia natans	Floating Fern	POLYPODIOPSIDA	LC OR LR/LC	Decreasing	Freshwater
Cochlostoma alleryanum		GASTROPODA	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial
Deroceras panormitanum		GASTROPODA	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial
Charpentieria calcarae		GASTROPODA	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial
Oxychilus egadiensis		GASTROPODA	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial
Oxychilus perspectivus		GASTROPODA	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial
Pyrus sicanorum		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	LC OR LR/LC	Unknown	Terrestrial
Melanargia pherusa	Sicilian Marbled White	INSECTA	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial













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Orchis brancifortii	Branciforti's Orchid	LILIOPSIDA	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial
Palaemonetes antennarius		MALACOSTRACA	LC OR LR/LC	Unknown	Freshwater
Prospero fallax		LILIOPSIDA	LC OR LR/LC	Unknown	Terrestrial
Chorthippus trinacriae	Sicilian Lesser Grasshopper	INSECTA	LC OR LR/LC	Unknown	Terrestrial
Curruca sarda	Marmora's Warbler	AVES	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial
Platycleis concii	Sicilian Grey Bush-cricket	INSECTA	LC OR LR/LC	Unknown	Terrestrial
Tudorella panormitana		GASTROPODA	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial
Quercus congesta		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	LC OR LR/LC	Stable	Terrestrial
Sorbus graeca		MAGNOLIOPSIDA	LC OR LR/LC	Unknown	Terrestrial
Allium vernale		LILIOPSIDA	LC OR LR/LC	Unknown	Terrestrial
Gerbillus jamesi	James's Gerbil	MAMMALIA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Marmorana platychela		GASTROPODA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Deroceras giustianum		GASTROPODA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial













Species Name	Common Name	Taxonomic Group	IUCN Category	Population Trend	Biome
Cecilioides rizzeana		GASTROPODA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Cecilioides petitiana		GASTROPODA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Cecilioides actoniana		GASTROPODA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Charpentieria incerta		GASTROPODA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Cecilioides bourguignatiana		GASTROPODA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Thymalus punicus		INSECTA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Thorectes reflexus		INSECTA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Heptaulacus pirazzolii		INSECTA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial
Allium panormitanum		LILIOPSIDA	DD	Unknown	Terrestrial













## Biodiversity features which are likely to trigger Critical Habitat

### **Protected Areas**

The following protected areas are found within 1 km and 10 km and 50 km of the area of interest. For further details please refer to the associated csv file in the report folder.

Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Barrage Lebna	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Barrage Lebna	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Barrage Mlaabi	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Barrage Mlaabi	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Barrage Sidi Abdelmoneem	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Barrage Sidi Abdelmoneem	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Barrage oued El Hjar	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Barrage oued El Hjar	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Boukornine	1 km	Not Assigned	Designated	National Park	Assess for biodiversity risk
Complesso Monti di Santa Ninfa - Gibellina e Grotta di Santa Ninfa	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Complexe des zones humides de barrage Ghédir El Golla et barrage El Mornaguia	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Complexe des zones humides de barrage Ghédir El Golla et barrage El Mornaguia	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Dar Chichou	1 km	Not Assigned	Designated	Faunal Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Fondali di Capo San Marco - Sciacca	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Laghetti di Preola e Gorghi Tondi e Sciare di Mazara	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Laghetti di Preola e Gorghi Tondi, Sciare di Mazara e Pantano Leone	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Lagunes du Cap Bon oriental	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Lagunes du Cap Bon oriental	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte San Calogero (Sciacca)	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Sites of Community Importance (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Foce Del Fiume Belice E Dune Limitrofe	1 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Integrale Lago Preola E Gorghi Tondi	1 km	la	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for critical habitat
Riserva Naturale Integrale Grotta Di Santa Ninfa	1 km	la	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for critical habitat
Sebkhat Soliman	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Sebkhat Soliman	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Sebkhet Sejoumi	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Sebkhet Sejoumi	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Sistema dunale Capo Granitola, Porto Palo e Foce del Belice	1 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Barrage oued Errmal	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Barrage oued Errmal	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Complesso Monte Telegrafo e Rocca Ficuzza	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Complexe lac de Tunis	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Complexe lac de Tunis	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Dj. Zaghouan	10 km	Not Assigned	Designated	National Park	Assess for biodiversity risk













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Foce del Fiume Verdura	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Jebel Hammamet	10 km	Not Assigned	Designated	Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Montagna Grande di Salemi	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Genuardo e Santa Maria del Bosco	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monti Sicani, Rocca Busambra e Bosco della Ficuzza	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Pantani di Anguillara	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Sites of Community Importance (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Pantani di Anguillara	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Integrale Grotta Di Entella	10 km	la	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for critical habitat
Riserva Naturale Orientata Monte S. Calogero (Kronio)	10 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Riserva Naturale Orientata Monte Genuardo E Santa Maria Del Bosco	10 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Rocche di Entella	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Rocche di Entella	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Sciare di Marsala	10 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Arcipelago delle Egadi - area marina e terrestre	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Area Naturale Marina Protetta Capo Gallo - Isola Delle Femmine	50 km	IV	Designated	Natural Marine Reserve and Natural Protected Marine Areas	Assess for biodiversity risk
Boschi Ficuzza e Cappelliere, Vallone Cerasa, Castagneti Mezzojuso	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Bosco di Calatafimi	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Bosco di S. Adriano	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Cala Rossa e Capo Rama	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Calanchi, lembi boschivi e praterie di Riena	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Capo San Vito, Monte Monaco, Zingaro, Faraglioni Scopello, Monte Sparacio	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Complesso Monte Bosco e Scorace	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Complesso Monti di Castellammare del Golfo (TP)	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Foce del Magazzolo, Foce del Platani, Capo Bianco, Torre Salsa	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Foce del Torrente Calatubo e dune	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk













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Fondali del Golfo di Custonaci	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Fondali dell'Arcipelago delle Isole Egadi	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Fondali dell'isola dello Stagnone di Marsala	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Fondali dello Zingaro	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Sites of Community Importance (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Fondali di Isola delle Femmine - Capo Gallo	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Sites of Community Importance (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Fondali di Torre Salsa	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Sites of Community Importance (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Grotte de Chauve souris d'El Haouaria	50 km	Not Assigned	Designated	Bird Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
lchkeul	50 km	Not Applicable	Designated	UNESCO-MAB Biosphere Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Ichkeul	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	National Park	Assess for biodiversity risk













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lchkeul	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
lchkeul	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Ichkeul National Park	50 km	Not Applicable	Inscribed	World Heritage Site (natural or mixed)	Highest risk. Seek expert help
Isola di Favignana	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Isola di Levanzo	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Isola di Pantelleria - Area Costiera, Falesie e Bagno dell'Acqua	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Isola di Pantelleria e area marina circostante	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Isola di Pantelleria: Montagna Grande e Monte Gibele	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Isole dello Stagnone di Marsala	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Jardin botanique de Tunis	50 km	Not Assigned	Designated	Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Lac Bizerte	50 km	Not Reported	Proposed	Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Lac de Rades et Salines	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Lago di Piana degli Albanesi	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Lagune de Ghar El Melh et delta de la medjerda	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Lagune de Ghar El Melh et delta de la medjerda	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Maccalube di Aragona	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Marausa: Macchia a Quercus calliprinos	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Montagna Longa, Pizzo Montanello	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Bonifato	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Cammarata - Contrada Salaci	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Carcaci, Pizzo Colobria e ambienti umidi	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Cofano e Litorale	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Cofano, Capo San Vito e Monte Sparagio	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Grifone	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte lato, Kumeta, Maganoce e Pizzo Parrino	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte lato, Kumeta, Maganoce e Pizzo Parrino	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Monte Matassaro, Monte Gradara e Monte Signora	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Matassaro, Monte Gradara e Monte Signora	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Pecoraro e Pizzo Cirina	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Pizzuta, Costa del Carpineto, Moarda	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Rose e Monte Pernice	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte San Giuliano	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte Triona e Monte Colomba	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Monte d'Indisi, Montagna dei Cavalli, Pizzo Pontorno e Pian del Leone	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk













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Monti Barracù, Cardelia, Pizzo Cangialosi e Gole del Torrente Corleone	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Paludi di Capo Feto e Margi Spanò	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Paludi di Capo Feto e Margi Spanò	50 km	Not Reported	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)		Assess for biodiversity risk
Parco Nazionale Isola Di Pantelleria	50 km	II	Designated	National Park	Assess for critical habitat
Pizzo della Rondine, Bosco di S. Stefano Quisquina	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Raffo Rosso, Monte Cuccio e Vallone Sagana	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Bosco Di Alcamo	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Foce Del Fiume Platani	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Riserva Naturale Integrale Grotta Di Carburangeli	50 km	la	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for critical habitat
Riserva Naturale Integrale Grotta Di S.Angelo Muxaro	50 km	la	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for critical habitat
Riserva Naturale Integrale Macalube Di Aragona	50 km	la	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for critical habitat
Riserva Naturale Integrale Saline Di Trapani E Paceco	50 km	la	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for critical habitat
Riserva Naturale Marina Isole Egadi	50 km	IV	Designated	Natural Marine Reserve and Natural Protected Marine Areas	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Bosco Della Ficuzza, Rocca Busambra, Bosco Del Cappelliere E Gorgo D	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Isola Di Pantelleria	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Bagni Di Cefala' Diania E Chiarastella	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Riserva Naturale Orientata Capo Rama	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Dello Zingaro	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Monte Cammarata	50 km	IV	Designated Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve		Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Monte Carcaci	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Monte Cofano	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Monti Di Palazzo Adriano E Valle Del Sosio	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Serre Della Pizzuta	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Serre Di Ciminna	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Orientata Torre Salsa	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Riserva Naturale Regionale Delle Isole Dello Stagnone Di Marsala	50 km	IV	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Riserva Naturale Regionale Grotta Dei Puntali	50 km	la	Designated	Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	Assess for critical habitat
Rocca Busambra e Rocche di Rao	50 km	Not Reported	Special Areas of Designated Conservation (Habitats Directive		Assess for biodiversity risk
Rocche di Castronuovo, Pizzo Lupo, Gurghi di S. Andrea	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Rocche di Ciminna	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Saline di Marsala	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Saline di Trapani	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Scala dei Turchi	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Sites of Community Importance (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Sebkhet Ariana	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Sebkhet Halk El Manzel et Oued Essed	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Sebkhet Halk El Manzel et Oued Essed	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Sebkhet Kourzia	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Wetland Zone of National Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Serra del Leone e Monte Stagnataro	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Stagnone di Marsala e Saline di Trapani - area marina e terrestre	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Trapani and Paceco salt ponds	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	Assess for biodiversity risk
Valle del Fiume Oreto	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	Special Areas of Conservation (Habitats Directive)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Zembra and Zembretta lles	50 km	Not Reported	Designated	National Park	Assess for biodiversity risk













Area name	Distance	IUCN Category	Status	Designation	Recommendation
Zembra and Zembretta lles	50 km	Not Applicable	Designated	UNESCO-MAB Biosphere Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk
Zembra et Zembretta	50 km	Not Reported	Adopted	Specially Protected Areas of Mediterranean Importance (Barcelona Convention)	Assess for biodiversity risk
Îles Chîkly	50 km	Not Assigned	Designated	Nature Reserve	Assess for biodiversity risk

## **Key Biodiversity Areas**

The following key biodiversity areas are found within 1 km and 10 km and 50 km of the area of interest. For further details please refer to the associated csv file in the report folder.

Area name	Distance	IBA	AZE	Recommendation
Aqueduc de Zaghouan	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Bezikh	1 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Chiba	1 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Lebna	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Masri	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat













Area name	Distance	IBA	AZE	Recommendation
Barrage Mlaâbi	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Mornaguia	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Oued El Haajar	1 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Sidi Abdelmonem	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Dunes de Ras El Melan	1 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Jbel Bou Kornine	1 km	No	No	Assess for biodiversity risk
Jbel Zaghouan	1 km	No	No	Assess for biodiversity risk
Lagune de Soliman	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Lagunes de Korba	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Mazarese wetlands	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Sebkhet Sejoumi	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat













Area name	Distance	IBA	AZE	Recommendation
Sicani mountains, Rocca Busambra and Ficuzza forest	1 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Archipel de Zembra	10 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Moussa Chami	10 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Oued Rmal	10 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Sidi Jdidi	10 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Lac de Tunis	10 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Lagunes de Maâmoura et Tazarka	10 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage El Ogla	50 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Khairat	50 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Barrage Moussa	50 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Egadi islands	50 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat













Area name	Distance	IBA	AZE	Recommendation
Garaet Mabtouh	50 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
lchkeul	50 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Jbel Nadhour et Lagune de Ghar El Melh	50 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Jbel el Haouaria	50 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Mount Cofano, Cape San Vito and Mount Sparagio	50 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Mount Pecoraro and Pizzo Cirina	50 km	Yes	No	Assess for biodiversity risk
Pantelleria	50 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Sebkhet Ariana	50 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Sebkhet Halk El Menzel et Oued Sed	50 km	No	No	Assess for critical habitat
Sebkhet Sidi Khelifa	50 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat
Stagnone di Marsala and Trapani saltpans	50 km	Yes	No	Assess for critical habitat

# Species with potential to occur













Area Taxonomic group	Total assessed species	Total (CR, EN & VU)	CR	EN	VU	NT	LC	DD
ACTINOPTERYGII	346	16	3	3	10	6	298	26
CHONDRICHTHYES	65	43	12	12	19	11	9	2
GASTROPODA	97	16	3	7	6	10	59	12
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	195	10	5	4	1	20	158	7
LILIOPSIDA	168	11	2	3	6	9	145	3
INSECTA	240	24	3	8	13	18	149	49
AVES	284	14	2	3	9	15	255	0
LYCOPODIOPSIDA	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
BIVALVIA	9	1	1	0	0	1	6	1
REPTILIA	37	4	0	2	2	2	29	2
ANTHOZOA	5	1	0	1	0	0	3	1
POLYPODIOPSIDA	5	1	0	1	0	1	3	0
MAMMALIA	77	13	0	5	8	8	54	2
BRYOPSIDA	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
AGARICOMYCETES	10	6	0	1	5	1	3	0
MALACOSTRACA	14	0	0	0	0	1	11	2
CEPHALASPIDOMORPHI	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0













Area Taxonomic group	Total assessed species	Total (CR, EN & VU)	CR	EN	VU	NT	LC	DD
AMPHIBIA	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0
HOLOTHUROIDEA	12	0	0	0	0	0	7	5
MYXINI	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
SORDARIOMYCETES	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
LECANOROMYCETES	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0













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# Appendix 2 – IUCN-listed CR, EN, VU terrestrial species which distribution overlaps with the IBAT buffer area

The list includes 96 species (19 CR, 31 EN, 46 VU).

Class	Family	Species name	Common name	IUCN status
BIRDS				
AVES	PROCELLARIIDAE	Puffinus mauretanicus	Balearic Shearwater	CR
AVES	SCOLOPACIDAE	Numenius tenuirostris	Slender-billed Curlew	CR
AVES	ANATIDAE	Oxyura leucocephala	White-headed Duck	EN
AVES	ACCIPITRIDAE	Neophron percnopterus	Egyptian Vulture	EN
AVES	FALCONIDAE	Falco cherrug	Saker Falcon	EN
AVES	COLUMBIDAE	Streptopelia turtur	European Turtle-dove	VU
AVES	LARIDAE	Larus audouinii	Audouin's Gull	VU
AVES	LARIDAE	Rissa tridactyla	Black-legged Kittiwake	VU
AVES	ALCIDAE	Fratercula arctica	Atlantic Puffin	VU
AVES	FALCONIDAE	Falco vespertinus	Red-footed Falcon	VU
AVES	PROCELLARIIDAE	Puffinus yelkouan	Yelkouan Shearwater	VU
AVES	ANATIDAE	Marmaronetta angustirostris	Marbled Teal	VU
AVES	ANATIDAE	Aythya ferina	Common Pochard	VU
AVES	PASSERIDAE	Passer italiae	Italian Sparrow	VU
FISH				
ACTINOPTERYGII	ACIPENSERIDAE	Acipenser sturio	European Sturgeon	CR
ACTINOPTERYGII	ANGUILLIDAE	Anguilla anguilla	European Eel	CR
ACTINOPTERYGII	LEUCISCIDAE	Anaecypris punica	Punican Bleak	CR
ACTINOPTERYGII	CLUPEIDAE	Alosa algeriensis	North African Shad	EN
ACTINOPTERYGII	LEUCISCIDAE	Tropidophoxinellus chaignoni	Tunisian Bleak	EN
ACTINOPTERYGII	CYPRINIDAE	Cyprinus carpio	Common Carp	VU
FUNGI				
AGARICOMYCETES	PHYSALACRIACEAE	Laccariopsis mediterranea	Collybie méditerranéenne	EN
AGARICOMYCETES	AGARICACEAE	Lepiota brunneolilacea	Star Dapperling	VU
AGARICOMYCETES	BOLETACEAE	Buchwaldoboletus lignicola	Wood Bolete	VU
AGARICOMYCETES	BOLETACEAE	Alessioporus ichnusanus		VU
AGARICOMYCETES	HYGROPHORACEAE	Hygrocybe ovina	Blushing Waxcap	VU
AGARICOMYCETES	HYGROPHORACEAE	Hygrocybe punicea	Crimson Waxcap	VU











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Class	Family	Species name	Common name	IUCN status
MOLLUSCS	Taminy	Species name	Common name	Toch status
GASTROPODA	GEOMITRIDAE	Cernuella amanda		CR
GASTROPODA	CLAUSILIIDAE	Charpentieria spezialensis		CR
GASTROPODA	CLAUSILIIDAE	Charpentieria crassicostata		CR
GASTROPODA	HELICIDAE	Cornu mazzullii		EN
GASTROPODA	GEOMITRIDAE	Cernuella rugosa		EN
GASTROPODA GASTROPODA	HELICIDAE	Marmorana nebrodensis		EN
	OXYCHILIDAE	Oxychilus fuscosus		EN
GASTROPODA GASTROPODA	CLAUSILIIDAE			EN
		Charpentieria eminens		EN
GASTROPODA	CLAUSILIIDAE	Charpentieria leucophryna		
GASTROPODA	CLAUSILIIDAE	Charpentieria nobilis		EN
GASTROPODA	CHONDRINIDAE	Rupestrella homala		VU
GASTROPODA	ACICULIDAE	Acicula benoiti		VU
GASTROPODA	CHONDRINIDAE	Rupestrella jaeckeli		VU
GASTROPODA	COCHLOSTOMATIDAE	Cochlostoma paladilhianum		VU
ARTHROPODS				
INSECTA	APIDAE	Nomada siciliensis		CR
INSECTA	TETTIGONIIDAE	Decorana drepanensis	Trapani Bush-cricket	CR
INSECTA	TETTIGONIIDAE	Uromenus riggioi	Riggio's Saddle Bush-cricket	CR
INSECTA	ACRIDIDAE	Sphingonotus personatus	Italian Sand Grasshopper	EN
INSECTA	ACRIDIDAE	Ochrilidia sicula	Sicilian Match Grasshopper	EN
INSECTA	ACRIDIDAE	Dociostaurus minutus	Sicilian Cross-backed Grasshopper	EN
INSECTA	CERAMBYCIDAE	Neomarius gandolphii		EN
INSECTA	DYNASTIDAE	Calicnemis latreillei		EN
INSECTA	GEOTRUPIDAE	Thorectes puncticollis		EN
INSECTA	TETTIGONIIDAE	Pterolepis elymica	Sicilian Bush-cricket	EN
INSECTA	CALOPTERYGIDAE	Calopteryx exul	Glittering Demoiselle	EN
INSECTA	CERAMBYCIDAE	Clytus clavicornis		VU
INSECTA	LUCANIDAE	Dorcus musimon		VU
INSECTA	CEROPHYTIDAE	Cerophytum elateroides		VU
INSECTA	CARABIDAE	Clinidium canaliculatum		VU
INSECTA	MYCETOPHAGIDAE	Esarcus fiorii		VU
INSECTA	TETRATOMIDAE	Tetratoma tedaldi		VU
INSECTA	TETTIGONIIDAE	Tessellana lagrecai	La Greca's Slender Bush-cricket	VU
INSECTA	CERAMBYCIDAE	Grammoptera viridipennis		VU











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Class	Family	Species name	Common name	IUCN status
INSECTA	CERAMBYCIDAE	Neopiciella sicula		VU
INSECTA	CLERIDAE	Thanasimodes dorsalis	Thanasimodes dorsalis	
INSECTA	TETTIGONIIDAE	Tettigonia savignyi	Tettigonia savignyi Maghreb Green Bush-cricket	
INSECTA	SYRPHIDAE	Paragus sexarcuatus		VU
INSECTA	GOMPHIDAE	Gomphus lucasii		VU
PLANTS				
LILIOPSIDA	POACEAE	Puccinellia gussonei		CR
LILIOPSIDA	ORCHIDACEAE	Serapias stenopetala	Sérapias à Pétales Étroits	CR
LILIOPSIDA	ASPARAGACEAE	Leopoldia gussonei		EN
LILIOPSIDA	AMARYLLIDACEAE	Allium agrigentinum		EN
LILIOPSIDA	CYPERACEAE	Rhynchospora modesti-lucennoi		EN
LILIOPSIDA	POACEAE	Stipa tenacissima	Needle Grass	VU
LILIOPSIDA	LILIACEAE	Gagea chrysantha		VU
LILIOPSIDA	LILIACEAE	Gagea apulica		VU
LILIOPSIDA	ASPARAGACEAE	Leopoldia maritima		VU
LILIOPSIDA	JUNCACEAE	Juncus sorrentinii	Jonc de Sorrentino	VU
LILIOPSIDA	ALISMATACEAE	Damasonium polyspermum	, ,	
LYCOPODIOPSIDA	ISOETACEAE	Isoetes todaroana	Sicilian Quillwort	CR
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	BRASSICACEAE	Brassica macrocarpa		CR
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	ROSACEAE	Sorbus busambarensis		CR
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	ASTERACEAE	Ptilostemon greuteri		CR
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	ONAGRACEAE	Epilobium numidicum		
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	POLYGONACEAE	Rumex tunetanus	Patience de Tunisie	CR CR
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	ASTERACEAE	Tripolium sorrentinoi		EN
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	PLUMBAGINACEAE	Limonium poimenum		EN
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	BRASSICACEAE	Brassica drepanensis		EN
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	POLYGONACEAE	Rumex algeriensis	Renouée d'Algérie	EN
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	BRASSICACEAE	Lepidium violaceum		VU
POLYPODIOPSIDA	MARSILEACEAE	Pilularia minuta	Dwarf Pillwort	EN
BRYOPSIDA	BRACHYTHECIACEAE	Rhynchostegium strongylense		EN
MAMMALS		2 0		
MAMMALIA	BOVIDAE	Ammotragus lervia	Aoudad	VU
MAMMALIA	FELIDAE	Panthera pardus	Leopard	VU
MAMMALIA	LEPORIDAE	Lepus corsicanus	Corsican Hare	VU
MAMMALIA	VESPERTILIONIDAE	Myotis capaccinii	Long-fingered Bat	VU











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Class	Family	Species name	Common name	IUCN status
MAMMALIA	VESPERTILIONIDAE	Nyctalus lasiopterus	Giant Noctule	VU
MAMMALIA	RHINOLOPHIDAE	Rhinolophus mehelyi	Mehely's Horseshoe Bat	VU
MAMMALIA	MINIOPTERIDAE	Miniopterus schreibersii	Schreiber's Bent-winged Bat	VU
REPTILES				
REPTILIA	LACERTIDAE	Acanthodactylus blanci	Blanc's Fringe-toed Lizard	EN



# Appendix 3 – IUCN-listed CR, EN, VU marine species which distribution overlaps with the IBAT buffer area

The list includes 66 species (13 CR, 20 EN, 33 VU).

Class	Family	Species name	Common name	IUCN status
FISH				
ACTINOPTERYGII	GOBIIDAE	Pomatoschistus tortonesei	Tortonese's Goby	EN
ACTINOPTERYGII	EPINEPHELIDAE	Epinephelus marginatus	Dusky Grouper	VU
ACTINOPTERYGII	SPARIDAE	Dentex dentex	Common Dentex	VU
ACTINOPTERYGII	ISTIOPHORIDAE	Istiophorus platypterus	Sailfish	VU
ACTINOPTERYGII	LABRIDAE	Labrus viridis	Green Wrasse	VU
ACTINOPTERYGII	POMATOMIDAE	Pomatomus saltatrix	Bluefish	VU
ACTINOPTERYGII	BALISTIDAE	Balistes capriscus	Gray Triggerfish	VU
ACTINOPTERYGII	CLUPEIDAE	Sardinella maderensis	Madeiran Sardinella	VU
ACTINOPTERYGII	CARANGIDAE	Trachurus trachurus	Atlantic Horse Mackerel	VU
ACTINOPTERYGII	SCIAENIDAE	Umbrina cirrosa	Shi Drum	VU
CHONDRICHTHYES	ODONTASPIDIDAE	Carcharias taurus	Sand Tiger Shark	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	SQUATINIDAE	Squatina squatina	Angelshark	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	TRIAKIDAE	Galeorhinus galeus	Торе	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	SPHYRNIDAE	Sphyrna mokarran	Great Hammerhead	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	MYLIOBATIDAE	Aetomylaeus bovinus	Duckbill Eagle Ray	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	RAJIDAE	Leucoraja melitensis	Maltese Skate	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	SQUATINIDAE	Squatina aculeata	Sawback Angelshark	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	SQUATINIDAE	Squatina oculata	Smoothback Angelshark	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	RHINOBATIDAE	Rhinobatos rhinobatos	Common Guitarfish	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	RHINOPTERIDAE	Rhinoptera marginata	Lusitanian Cownose Ray	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	MYLIOBATIDAE	Myliobatis aquila	Common Eagle Ray	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	GLAUCOSTEGIDAE	Glaucostegus cemiculus	Blackchin Guitarfish	CR
CHONDRICHTHYES	CARCHARHINIDAE	Carcharhinus plumbeus	Sandbar Shark	EN
CHONDRICHTHYES	CETORHINIDAE	Cetorhinus maximus	Basking Shark	EN
CHONDRICHTHYES	TRIAKIDAE	Mustelus mustelus	Common Smoothhound	EN
CHONDRICHTHYES	CENTROPHORIDAE	Centrophorus uyato	Little Gulper Shark	EN











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Class	Family	Species name	Common name	IUCN status	
CHONDRICHTHYES	ECHINORHINIDAE	Echinorhinus brucus	Bramble Shark	EN	
CHONDRICHTHYES	RAJIDAE	Rostroraja alba	White Skate	EN	
CHONDRICHTHYES	OXYNOTIDAE	Oxynotus centrina	Angular Roughshark	EN	
CHONDRICHTHYES	GYMNURIDAE	Gymnura altavela	Spiny Butterfly Ray	EN	
CHONDRICHTHYES	RAJIDAE	Raja radula	Rough Skate	EN	
CHONDRICHTHYES	RAJIDAE	Raja undulata	Undulate Skate	EN	
CHONDRICHTHYES	RAJIDAE	Leucoraja circularis	Sandy Skate	EN	
CHONDRICHTHYES	MOBULIDAE	Mobula mobular	Spinetail Devil Ray	EN	
CHONDRICHTHYES	CARCHARHINIDAE	Carcharhinus limbatus	Blacktip Shark	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	DALATIIDAE	Dalatias licha	Kitefin Shark	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	LAMNIDAE	Lamna nasus	Porbeagle	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	ALOPIIDAE	Alopias vulpinus	Common Thresher	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	CARCHARHINIDAE	Carcharhinus brevipinna	Spinner Shark	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	CARCHARHINIDAE	Carcharhinus falciformis	Silky Shark	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	SPHYRNIDAE	Sphyrna zygaena	Smooth Hammerhead	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	ODONTASPIDIDAE	Odontaspis ferox	Smalltooth Sand Tiger	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	CHIMAERIDAE	Chimaera monstrosa	Rabbitfish	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	TORPEDINIDAE	Torpedo marmorata	Marbled Torpedo Ray	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	ETMOPTERIDAE	Etmopterus spinax	Velvet Belly Lanternshark	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	TORPEDINIDAE	Torpedo torpedo	Ocellate Torpedo	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	DASYATIDAE	Dasyatis pastinaca	Common Stingray	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	RAJIDAE	Leucoraja fullonica	Shagreen Skate	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	SCYLIORHINIDAE	Scyliorhinus stellaris	Nursehound	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	TRIAKIDAE	Mustelus punctulatus	Blackspotted Smoothhound	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	ALOPIIDAE	Alopias superciliosus	Bigeye Thresher	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	SQUALIDAE	Squalus acanthias	Spiny Dogfish	VU	
CHONDRICHTHYES	DASYATIDAE	Bathytoshia lata	Brown Stingray	VU	
MAMMALS					
MAMMALIA	BALAENOPTERIDAE	Balaenoptera physalus	Fin Whale (Medit. subpop.)	EN	
MAMMALIA	PHYSETERIDAE	Physeter macrocephalus	Sperm Whale (Medit. subpop.)	EN	
MAMMALIA	DELPHINIDAE	Grampus griseus	Risso's Dolphin (Medit. subpop.)	EN	
MAMMALIA	DELPHINIDAE	Delphinus delphis	Common Dolphin (Medit. subpop.)	EN	
MAMMALIA	DELPHINIDAE	Globicephala melas	Long-finned Pilot Whale (Medit. subpop.)	EN	
MAMMALIA	ZIPHIIDAE	Ziphius cavirostris	Cuvier's Beaked Whale (Medit. subpop.)	VU	
INVERTEBRATES		•			











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Class	Family	Species name	Common name	IUCN status
BIVALVIA	PINNIDAE	Pinna nobilis	Fan Mussel	CR
ANTHOZOA	FAVIIDAE	Cladocora caespitosa	Mediterranean Pillow Coral	EN
GASTROPODA	HALIOTIDAE	Haliotis stomatiaeformis		VU
GASTROPODA	HALIOTIDAE	Haliotis tuberculata	Green Ormer	VU
REPTILES				
REPTILIA	CHELONIIDAE	Chelonia mydas	Green Turtle	EN
REPTILIA	CHELONIIDAE	Caretta caretta	Loggerhead Turtle	VU
REPTILIA	DERMOCHELYIDAE	Dermochelys coriacea	Leatherback	VU



# Appendix 4 — Other protected areas and key biodiversity areas (PA/KBA)

This list includes the PA/KBA located within the buffer drawn in IBAT (15 km from project infrastructure + 1 km buffer automatically added in IBAT) that were not presented in the core report because outside the buffer area considered in this analysis (see Table 1.1).

Name	Type of PA	National / International	Terrestrial / Marine	Distance from Project (approx.)
TUNISIA				
Sebkhet Sejoumi	Ramsar Site, IBA	National	Terrestrial	>15 km