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**Africain**



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**Table 1. AFBID African image holdings of selected bird families.**

<b>Family</b>	<b>Total species</b>	<b>Species with images</b>	<b>Total images</b>
Musophagidae	23	23	122
Bucerotidae	24	24	252
Campephagidae	13	8	31
Pycnonotidae	64	44	147
Cisticolidae	95	76	284
Muscicapidae	38	31	158
Platysteiridae	30	24	87
Picathartidae	2	2	14
Nectariniidae	87	66	303
Malaconotidae	46	39	169
Estrildidae	79	64	288

We are in the process of developing a further capability whereby AFBID will respond to a search request from a third party website, say that of WAOS or ABC, to allow images from AFBID to display on its own pages. This could be a random image, a species image or an image from a specified country. In addition, we wish to continue to upgrade the quality of the images. As new and higher quality images are loaded, we remove some of the older and less good ones. We also try to ensure the accuracy of the identifications, and we are helped in this task by a small number of experts.

We look forward to more WAOS members loading their images from West African countries, and hope that they will find in AFBID a valuable resource.

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### **New website of the West African Bird Migration Network**

The West African Bird Migration Network has a new website: <http://www.africanbirdmigration.org/>. You will find on the website the scope of the network and a list of projects with descriptions and contacts in western Africa and Europe. There are details of how to subscribe and take part in a discussion group about bird migration from, to and within West Africa. There is also an option to post requests for information and help with migrant research work within West Africa.

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