

# IUCN SSC Stork, Ibis and Spoonbill Specialist Group

Since 1981



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**Mission Statement:** The Stork, Ibis and Spoonbill Specialist Group (SIS-SG) is a global network of scientists, conservationists, governmental and non-governmental institutions, and people committed to the scientific understanding and conservation of SIS species and their habitats.

## Main achievements 2016-2019:

2016

Online IUCN SIS-SG Bibliography  
<https://storkibisspoonbill.org/references/>

Online IUCN SIS-SG News  
<https://storkibisspoonbill.org/topics/news/>

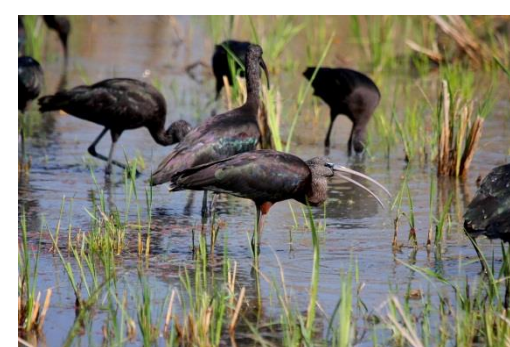
Online Historical literature of the SIS-SG  
<https://storkibisspoonbill.org/historical-literature/>

2017

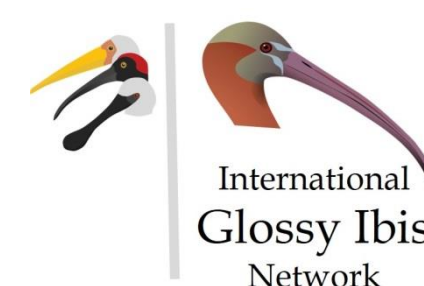
Shoebill *Balaeniceps rex* includes as species of the SG



I International Workshop on Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*

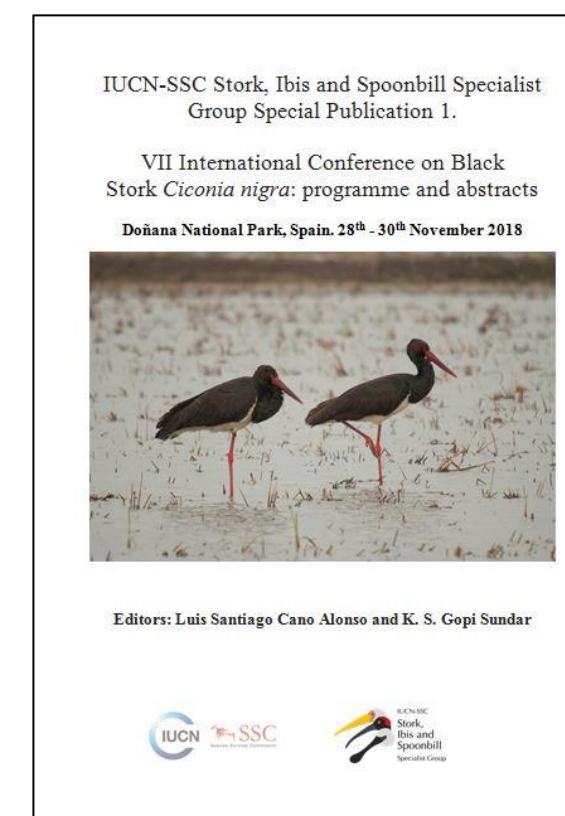


International Glossy Ibis Network is formed under the SIS: Simone Santoro (coordinator)



2018

Launching the Special Publication Series of the Specialist Group: *Special Publication #1*



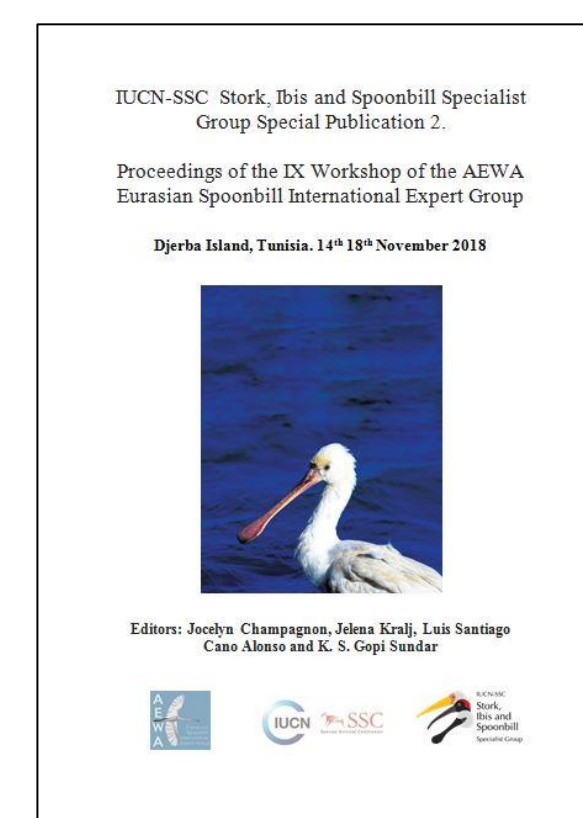
VII International Conference on Black Stork *Ciconia nigra*



2019

4<sup>th</sup> IUCN SSC Leaders' Meeting. Abu Dhabi

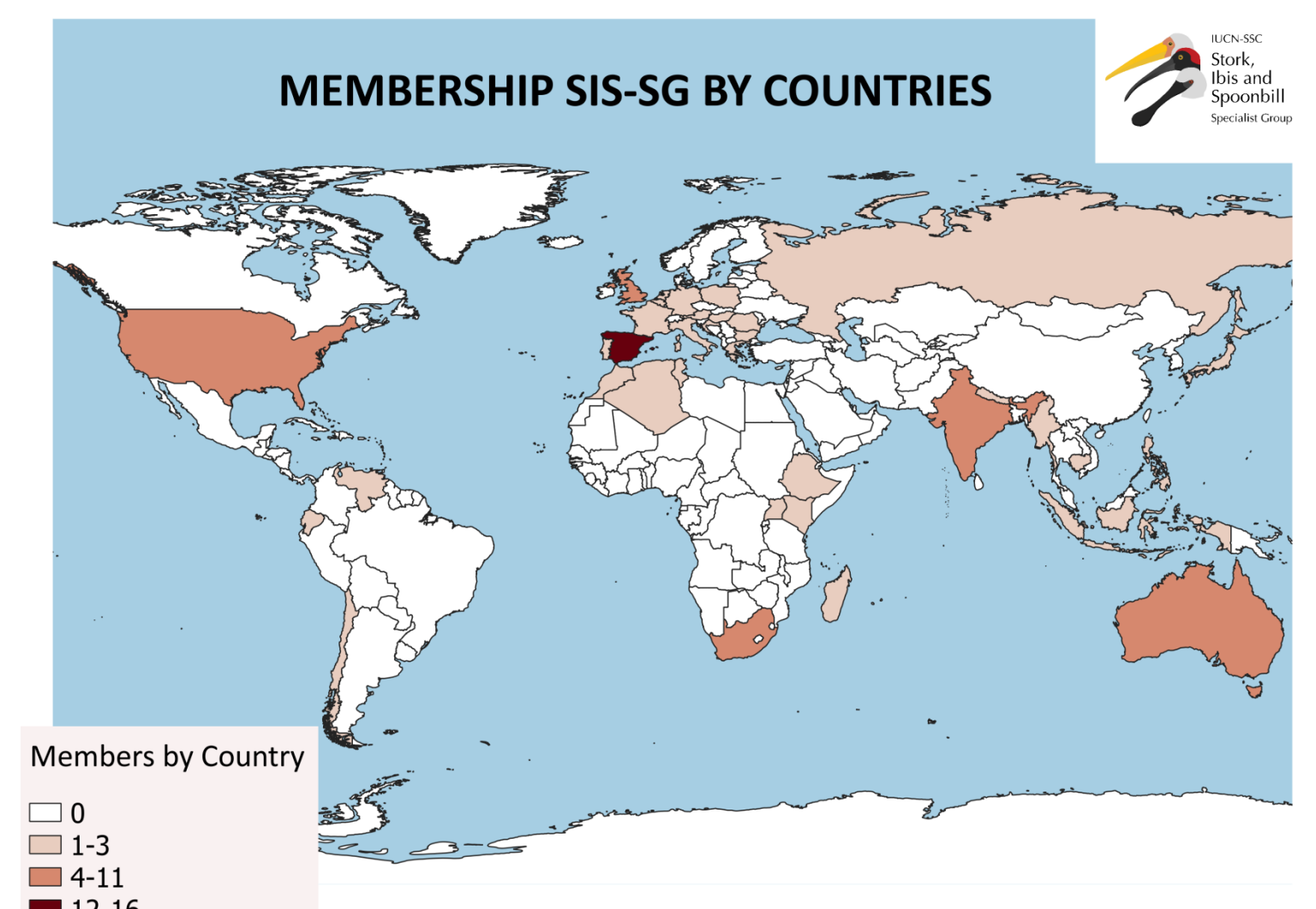
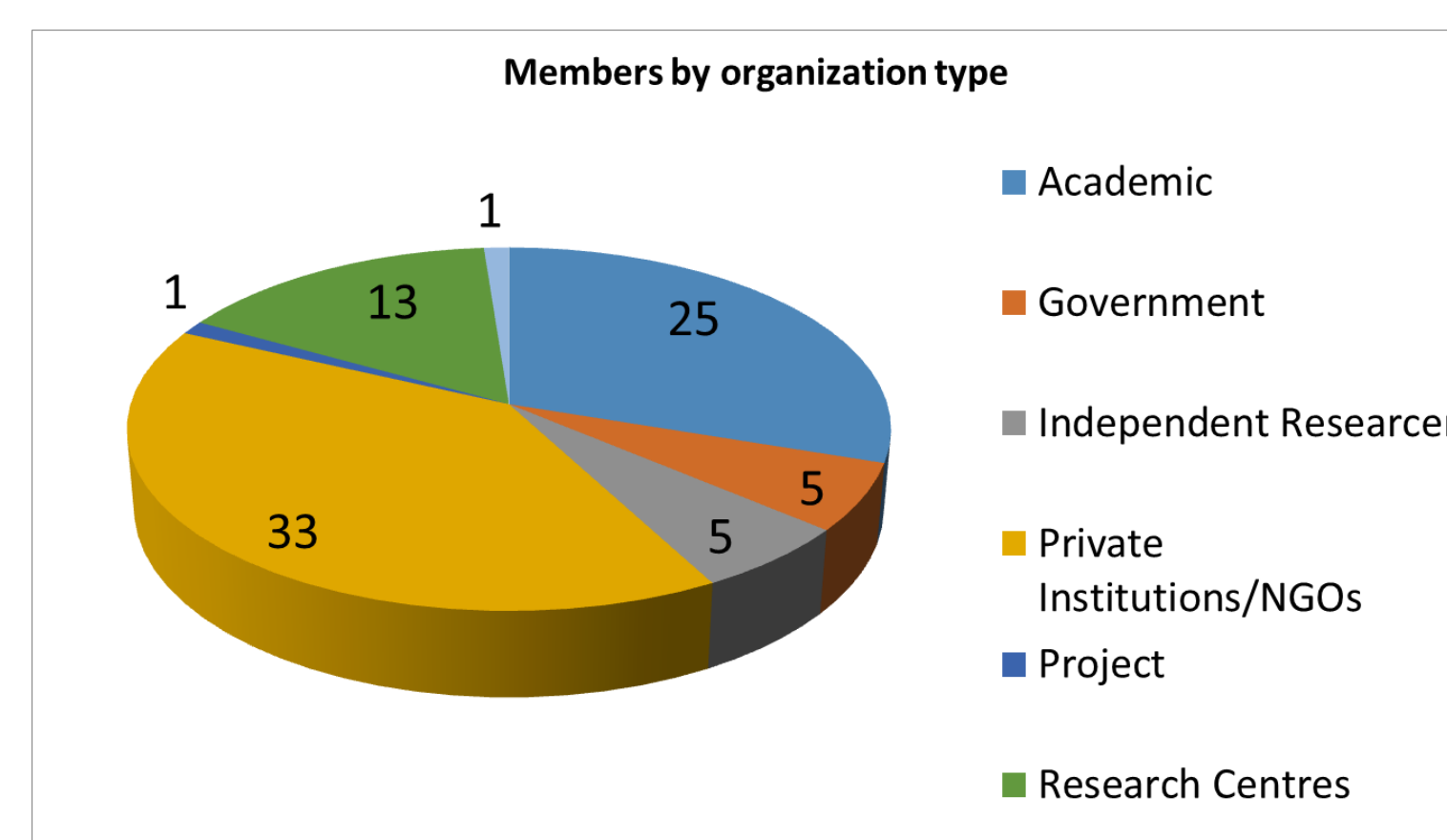
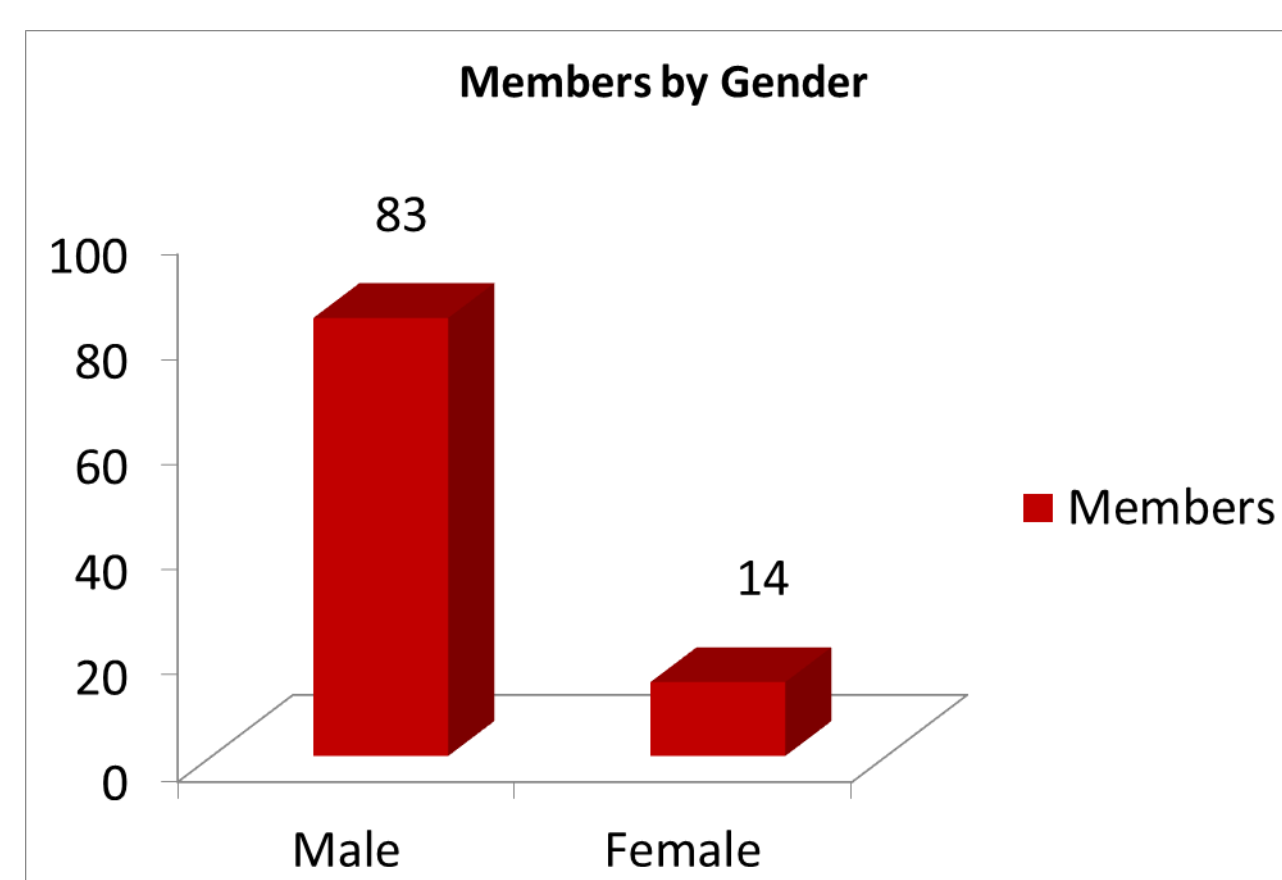
*Special Publication #2:* Proceedings IX Workshop of the AEWA Eurasian Spoonbill *Platalea Leucorodia* International Expert Group



Launching the First issue of the peer-reviewed publication *SIS Conservation*

Revision of the membership: currently 97 members

## Membership figures:



## Strategies and future activities:

Develop a Fundraising and Partnership Strategy;



Submit proposals to internal SSC small grants, contact potential sponsors and look for partnership agreements

Promoting and supporting new species working groups within SIS-SG;



E.g. Saddle-billed Stork, Black Stork, Shoebill Working Groups with active coordinators and members

Promoting and support planned species Action Plans of targeted species as well as promoting Action Plans for those species that require more scientific and conservation attention;



Revision and supporting activities of Action Plans for the Shoebill, Black-faced Spoonbill and other species of conservation concern

Strengthen the communication and publication media of the SIS-SG;



Look for sponsors and financial resources to maintain the media and publications, renew the editorial boards

Attending and promoting International Conferences and workshops of targeted species;



Pan-African Congress 2020; International Workshop on Shoebill in Uganda

Contribute to other initiatives of the IUCN SSC (Specialist Groups and Task Forces)



Participation in other initiatives through knowledge, expertise and attendance



## Main Challenges:

LACK OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES, LACK OF PROACTIVE MEMBERSHIP, LIMITED OPPORTUNITIES TO APPLY FOR GRANTS AND APPROACH POTENTIAL SPONSORS AND DONORS, POOR INTERACTION WITH REGIONAL IUCN OFFICES

Partners 2016 – 2019:



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