



ARDB update: February 2015

- 2882 records received during Feb, of which 2430 through the app (highest to date)
- First data received for **Ethiopia**, thanks Yilma D Abebe
- Your database on African Raptors now holds 104,254 (processed) records

The app records continue to rise and first data for Ethiopia

Mobile app records (February 2015)

Name	RECORDS
OBSERVERS	
Andre Botha	724
Mark Brown	251
Robin Whytock	205
Joseph Heymans	190
Clive Barlow	162
Marga Hagens	161
Andy Branfield	158
Loutjie SteenbergSteenberg	132
Rob Thomson	113
Washington Wachira	62
Bernard Madden	61
Dirk van Stuyvenberg	56
Stefan van Stuyvenberg	51
Walter Jubber	32
Holger Kolberg	18
Steven Evans	18
bruce wardsmith	15
Brian Waswala	13
Anja Teroerde	6
Ig Viljoen	1
Shayne Dalton	1
	2430

We attach two relevant maps to this report. The first shows the distribution of sightings sent in via the App. It is great to see the App being used from the Cape (Mark Brown and others) through to new forest habitat in Cameroon (Robbie Whytock). Andre continues to trail blaze most of southern Africa and good to see some Namibians giving it a trial (thanks Holger and Claire). But thanks to everyone who has gathered valuable sightings for us.

The second attached map shows total coverage of the database to date with recent records in red. Please note nice new red coverage in Ethiopian highlands thanks to the hard work of Yilma Dellelegn Abebe of Ethiopian Wildlife & Natural History Society and support of Darcy Ogada and The Peregrine Fund. You can see from this map that the historical sightings are well spread across sub-Saharan Africa which is very nice for modelling the historic distribution patterns, but that the recent coverage is patchy. To get good current habitat models we still need to fill some readily identifiable gaps which should be manageable e.g. Zimbabwe, Malawi, Zambia, Nigeria, Ghana, northern Mozambique. Please keep mapping!

Also received, more welcome records from The Gambia supplied by Clive Barlow in Feb, and delighted to be now receiving data from Clive via the app.

(more coming on Ethiopia and Uganda in the March update)

Best wishes,

ARDB team



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use of the App Feb 2015

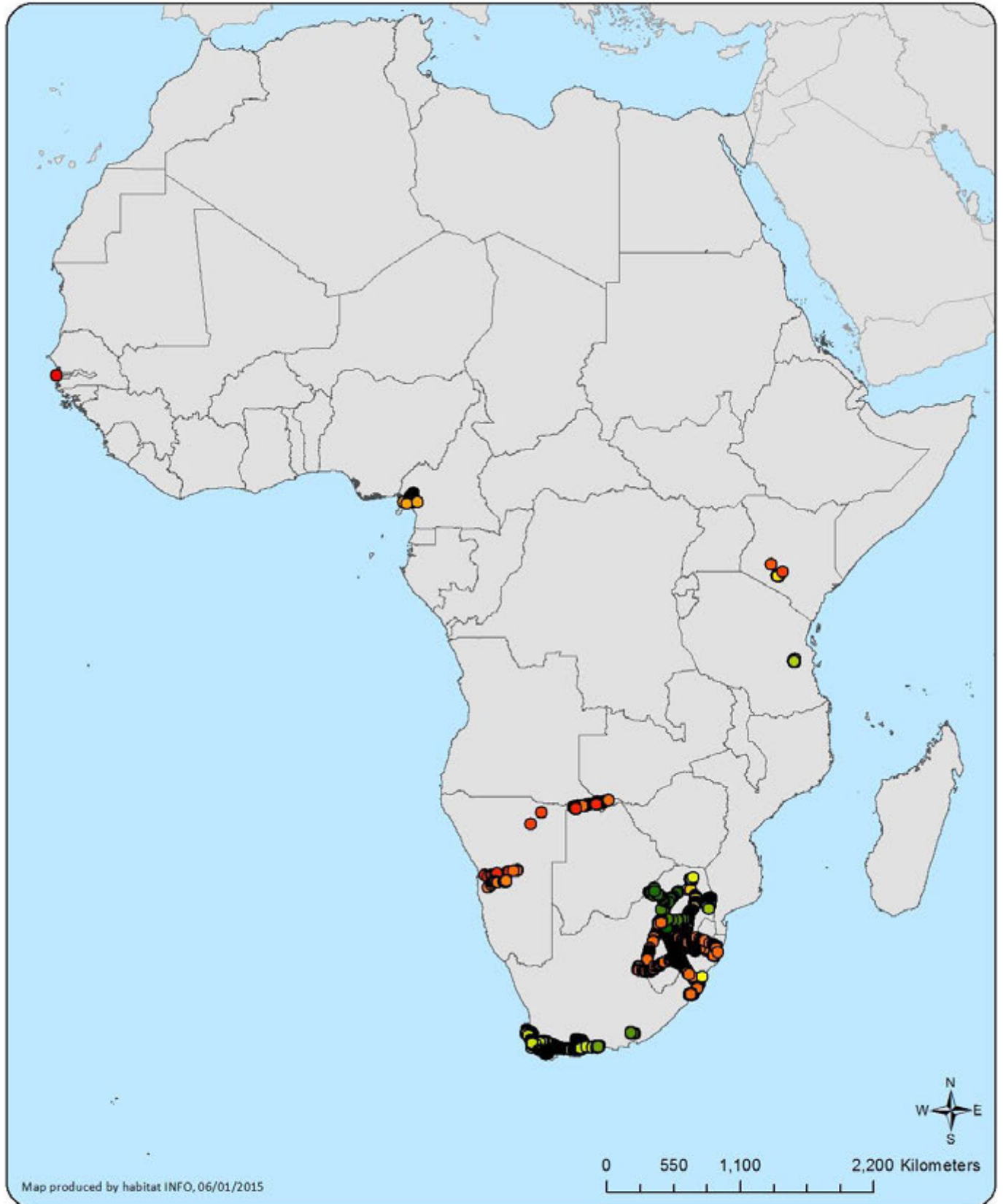


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Record coverage (end February 2015)

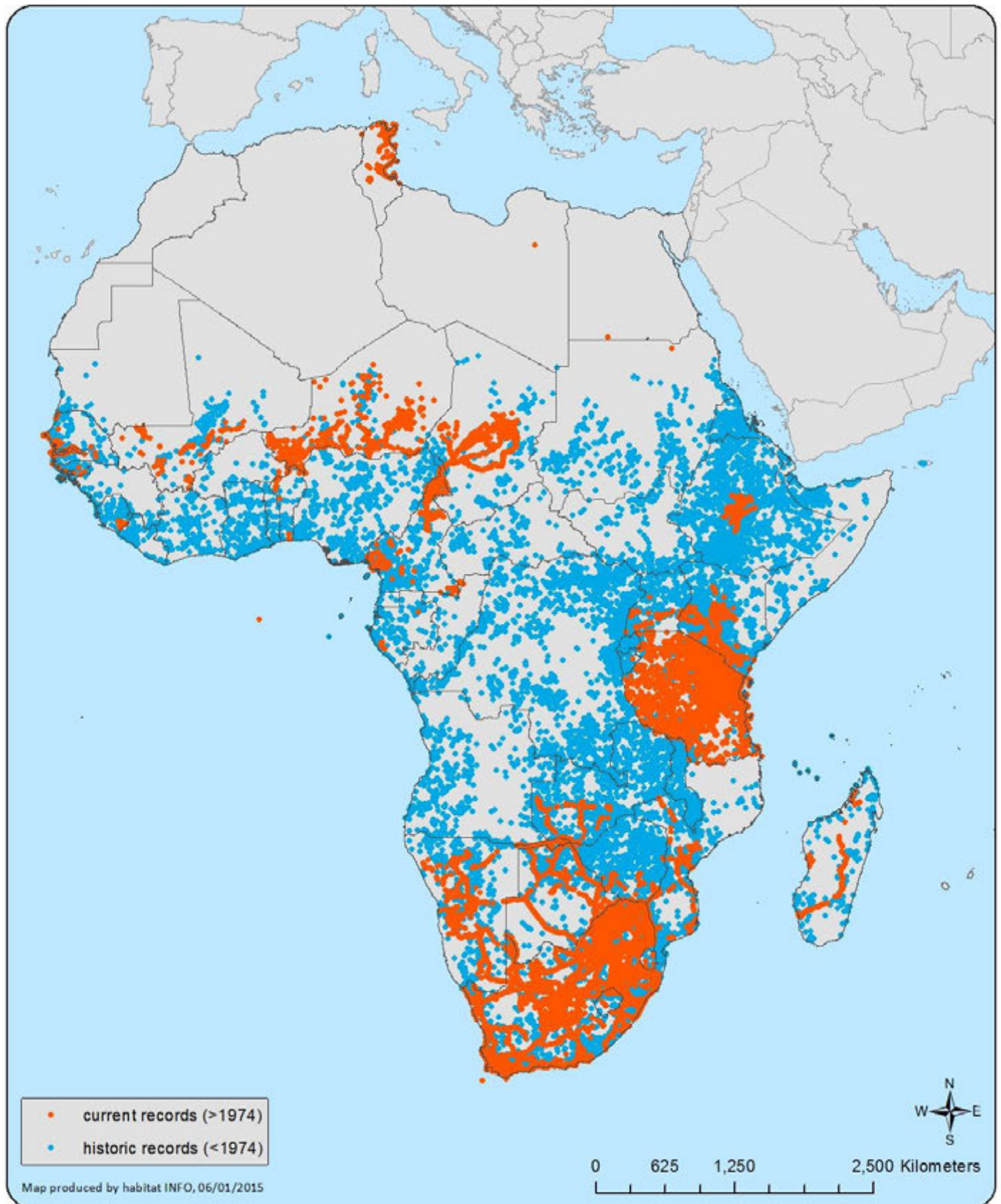


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