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BACKGROUND



Somaliland

Since 1991, independent, democratic state on south side of Gulf of Aden. Not recognized but functioning.

Biodiversity knowledge

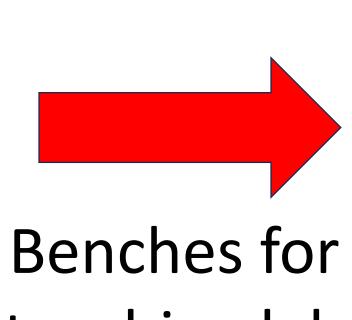
- Developed by foreigners
- Published in English or Italian
- Mostly government reports
- Two herbaria, both destroyed
- No universities until 2000 **Critical development**

Thulin, M. (Ed.) 1995-2006 Flora of Somalia

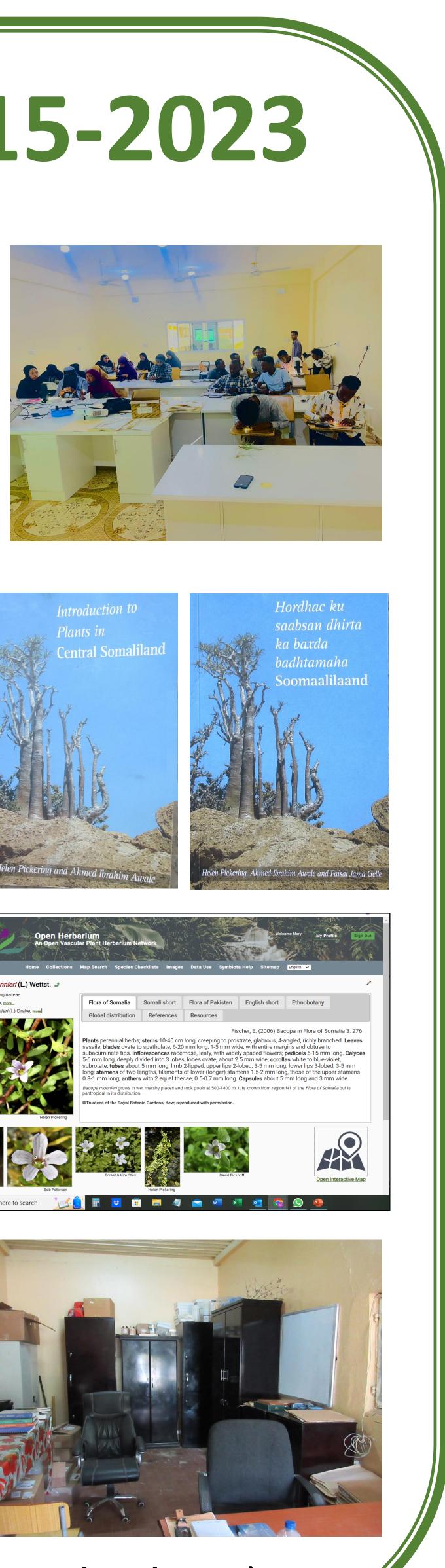
Somaliland Biodiversity Foundation Building resources in Somaliland for studying its biodiversity

Progress, 2015-2023



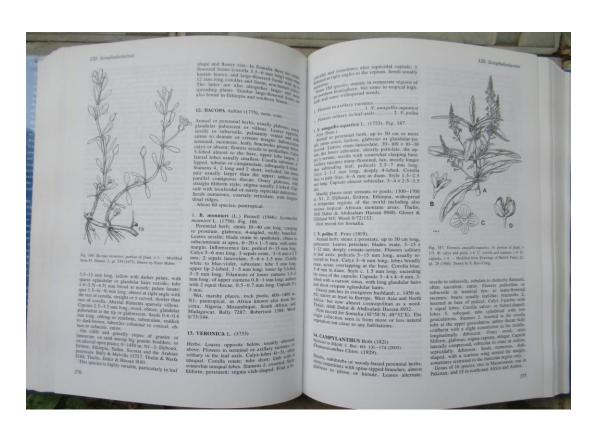


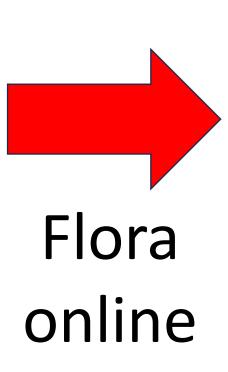
teaching lab

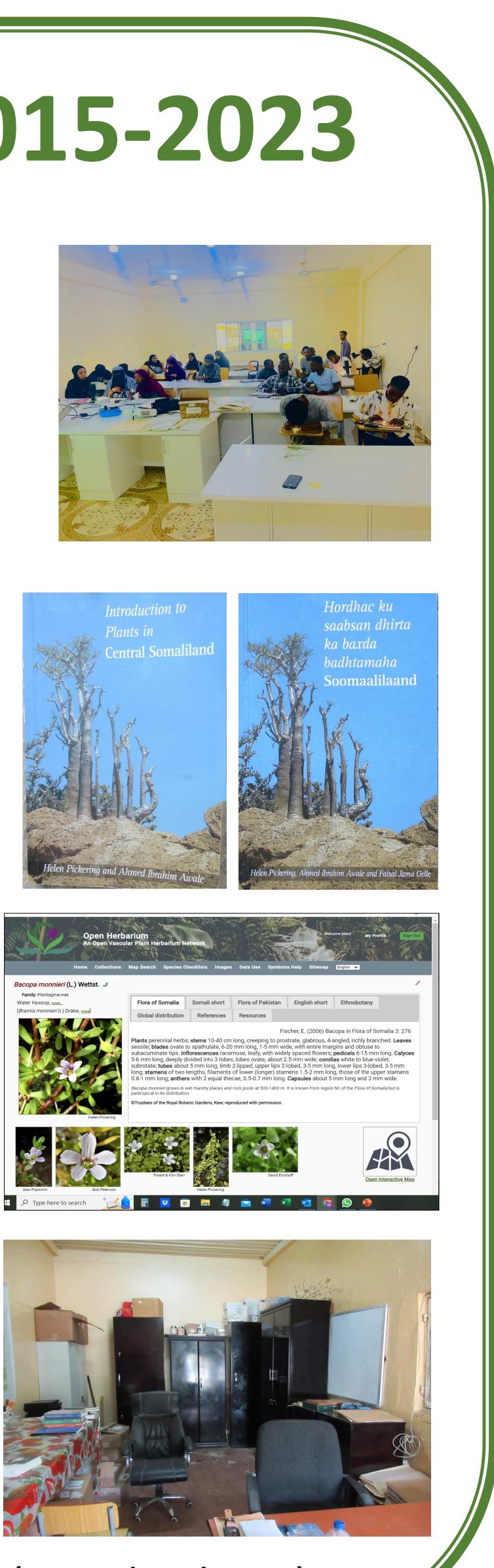


First wildflower book for Somaliland; two versions, **English and Somali**

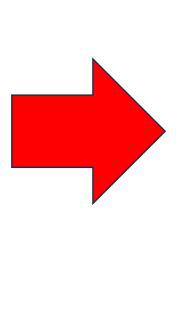














Biodiversity Museum (Mostly plants)

Plans 2023-4 •Books

- •Publish Ed. 2 of book, in bilingual
- version
- •Start bilingual plant taxonomy book featuring Somaliland's plant families.

•New

- Develop plan for communitybased native seed banks.
- •Laboratory •Add chairs?



