

Front cover: Robust Congo Frog [Congolius robustus (Laurent, 1979)], male, Kokolopori, Democratic Republic of the Congo. This frog is poorly known because it lives in remote areas of the central Congo Basin. Otherwise, it is locally common, being found mainly at night when perching on vegetation usually at 1.5–2 m. The Robust Congo Frog usually occurs near shallow, slow-flowing watercourses in primary and disturbed forests, and can sometimes also be seen in flooded forests. A distinction at the genus level (previously in the genus Hyperolius) was identified and the genus described by Nečas, Badjedjea & Gvoždík in 2021 (Scientific Reports 11, 8338). Congolius robustus may serve as one of the flagship species for the conservation of the Central Congolian Lowland Forests ecoregion, as it is endemic to this unique area. Photo by Václav Gvoždík.