Burkina Faso has designated Complexe du Parc Urbain Bãngr – Weoogo et du lac des trois barrages as a Wetland of International Importance (Ramsar Site no. 2367). The Site, located in the heart of Ouagadougou, covers 945 hectares including two linked areas: the Bãngr – Weoogo Urban Park and the three reservoirs and dams of the city.

This urban wetland hosts a remarkable biodiversity with its diverse habitats including savannah, forests and ponds. The Ramsar Site features a protected forest that provides a hotspot of plant biodiversity and a refuge for diverse animal species. The fauna mostly comprises introduced species, including turtles of the genera *Trionyx* and *Cyclanorbis* and roan antelope *Hippotragus equinus*. Among the threatened plants are dry zone mahogany (*Khaya senegalensis*) and shea butter trees (*Vitellaria paradoxa*).

Restored and protected, this Ramsar Site is currently managed by the Municipality of Ouagadougou. It is a tourist site visited by approximately 25,000 visitors per year, and a training and scientific research centre hosting a number of environmental education activities as well as training programmes for students. The Ramsar Site also has socio-cultural value, as its river (the Kugri-suingo) is considered sacred and home to sacred animal species.

In a context of rapid urbanization around the park, pollution by solid and liquid waste and market gardening affect the Site. However, a monitoring plan is being implemented to maintain its social and scientific value, focusing on plant species, birds and water quality.