

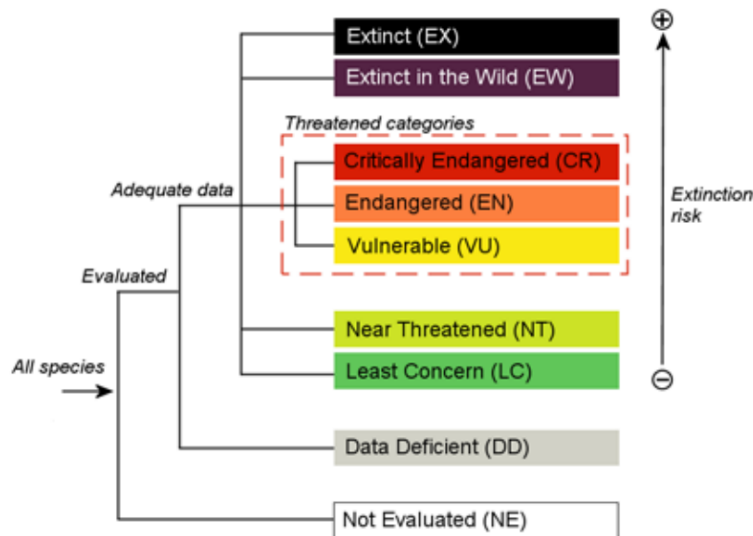
## SyngBio 2017 Technical Workshop

### **Intro to IUCN Red List Species Conservation Assessments**

The goals of this workshop are to encourage syngnathid biologists to:

- understand how assessments are done under the IUCN Red List of Threatened species
- further their knowledge and then take part in the assessment process
- promote the Red List as a tool for all conservation planning and action, for all taxa

Participants will learn the skills and resources that are required to help undertake and successfully publish and update species conservation assessments for the IUCN Red List, particularly for syngnathiform species. These assessments essentially involve a synthesis of all biological knowledge that is applicable to a species' level of extinction risk in the wild, using the methodology of the [\*IUCN Red List of Threatened Species\*](#). The skills learned are useful for carrying out assessments on any taxa, and participants do not necessarily need to be ecology-focused to attend. The workshop involves discussions, practical exercises and trial assessments.



*The IUCN Red List Categories of extinction risk. Workshop participants will learn how to assess species and assign them to one of these Categories.*

#### **Workshop Schedule**

- *Introduction to the IUCN Red List*
- *IUCN Red List Assessments*
- *IUCN Red List Categories and Criteria*
- *Research and/or Conservation Actions Needed*
- *Databases and Other Resources*
- *Case Studies – Species Assessments*

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