

Asia Regional Engagement meeting and Symposium on Open Science & data use

22-23 November 2022

The **Asia Regional Engagement meeting and Symposium on Open Science & Data Use** aim to:

- (1) Demonstrate the benefits brought by a global open biodiversity data infrastructure such as GBIF to local and regional economies,
- (2) Strengthen the Asian GBIF community
- (3) Showcase concrete examples on how freely accessible biodiversity data can help inform decisions related to conservation and other aspects of sustainable development including human health and food security.

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Room 801 - the Chaloem Rajakumari 60 building (Chamchuri 10), Chulalongkorn
University in Bangkok

9.00 - 10.30	<p>Welcome address and opening remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Professor Dr. Polkit Sangvanich, Dean, Faculty of Science - Chulalongkorn University- Asst. Prof. Dr. Rawin Rawiwong, Director, National Science Museum, Thailand- Dr. Liam Lysaght, Chair of the GBIF Governing Board and Director of the National Biodiversity Data Centre of Ireland (video)- Tim Hirsch, Deputy Director of GBIF Secretariat	
10.30 - 11.00	Welcome refreshments	
Time	Session Title	Speaker
11.00 - 11.30	GBIF, an international network and data infrastructure	Tim Hirsch - GBIF Secretariat

Data use for international platforms for policies

Time	Session Title	Speaker
11.30 - 12.30	<p>Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)</p> <p>Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)</p> <p>International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)</p>	<p>Tim Hirsch - GBIF Secretariat</p> <p>Shiva Devkota - Global Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies (GIIS)</p> <p>Dindo Campilan - IUCN Regional Director for Asia & Hub Director for Oceania</p>
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch	
Data use for international platforms for policies		
13.30 - 14.00	<p>Global Register of Introduced and Invasive Species (GRIIS) and Management of Invasive Alien Species</p> <p>Asia Pacific Biodiversity Observation Network (AP BON)</p>	<p>Melodie McGeoch - La Trobe University</p> <p>Yongyut Trisurat - Asia-Pacific BON - co-leads Faculty of Forestry, Kasetsart University</p>

Biodiversity Information Fund for Asia (BIFA) Programme

Time	Session Title	Speaker
14.00 - 14.30	The Biodiversity Fund for Asia (BIFA) programme - Overview and impact	<p>Maheva Bagard Laursen - GBIF Secretariat</p> <p>Natapot Warrit - Chulalongkorn University</p>
Open science, biodiversity, and One Health		
14.30 - 15.00	Open science, biodiversity, and One Health	<p>Florence Fouque - Focal Point for Vectors Research For Implementation Unit - The Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases - World Health Organization</p> <p>Joe Chun-Chia Huang - Department of Life Science, National Taiwan Normal University</p>
15.00 - 15.30	Tea & Coffee break	

Open science, biodiversity, and food security

Time	Session Title	Speaker
15.30 - 16.00	Open science & strategies on climate change, science and innovation, and regional priorities	Sangita Dubey - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
	Illustrations of support to collection missions to rescue vegetable landraces and wild relatives	Maarten van Zonneveld - World Vegetable Centre
Panel		
16.00 - 16.45	Benefits brought by a global open biodiversity data infrastructure	Panel chair: Hilary Goodson - GBIF Secretariat
16.45 - 17.00	Summary of key messages	Tim Hirsch - GBIF Secretariat
17.00	Meeting Close	

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9.00 - 9.30	Introduction to use of GBIF-mediated data in Asia	Andrew Rodrigues - GBIF Secretariat
Unlocking relevant data		
9.30 - 10.30	Digitizing and databasing Sumatran flora Digitizing reptile and amphibian specimens and the Bombay Natural History Society DAYO: Invasive Alien Amphibians in the Philippines	Try Surya Harapan - Herbarium Universitas Andalas (ANDA) Rahul V Khot - Bombay Natural History Society Arman Pili - Monash University
10.30 - 10.45	Tea & Coffee break	

Systems for Effective Decision Making:

Time	Session Title	Speaker
10.45 - 11.45	Taiwan Ecological Network Mountain Environment Regional Information System	Chih-Chin Shih (keynote speaker), Jin-Jia Jang, Hsiao-Tien Hsieh and Chia-Tzu Chen- Taiwan Forestry Bureau Birendra Bajracharya - ICIMOD
Panel		
11.45 - 12.30	How can GBIF strengthen the links between open data and decision making in Asia?	Panel chair: Vinod Mathur - India National Biodiversity Authority
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch	

Enhancing regional capacity		
13.30 – 14.30	<p>GBIF’s capacity enhancement framework</p> <p>Developing the GBIF community of practice in Asia</p>	<p>Melanie Raymond - GBIF Secretariat</p> <p>Melissa liu - GBIF Asia support team</p> <p>Lily Shrestha - GBIF Asia support team</p> <p>Chihjen Ko GBIF - Asia support team</p> <p>Vijay Barve - GBIF Asia support team</p>
GBIF, an international network and data infrastructure: Perspectives from the GBIF community and partners		
Time	Session Title	Speaker
14.30 - 15.15	<p>GBIF: an international network</p> <p>Perspectives from a regional organization participating in GBIF</p> <p>Contributions from GBIF node managers in Asia</p>	<p>Melanie Raymond - GBIF Secretariat</p> <p>Christian Elloran - ASEAN Center for Biodiversity</p>
15.15 - 15. 30	Tea / Coffee	
Panel		
15.30 - 16.15	GBIF in Asia	<p>Panel chair: Tim Hirsch - GBIF Secretariat</p>

16.15 - 16.30	Summary of key messages	Tim Hirsch - GBIF Secretariat
16.30 - 17.00	Group Photo	
17.00	Meeting close	
18.00	Cocktail dinner Room 2001 - the Chaloem Rajakumari 60 building (Chamchuri 10), Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok	