Nodes Committee Chair Report

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# GBIF Network by numbers

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<th>Regions</th>
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<td><strong>43(+2)</strong></td>
<td><strong>16(+3)</strong></td>
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GBIF, a Community of People

Participants Nodes of 14th GNM in Helsinki, Sept. 2017
...and even more if you include Publishers & Users.
## Nodes Steering Group (NSG)

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<th>Regional representatives and deputies:</th>
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<tr>
<td>Africa</td>
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Meetings since GB24

- Joint meeting with Science Committee in Copenhagen
- 2 physical and 4 virtual NSG meetings
- No Global Nodes Meeting this year
- Six Regional Meetings
  - Regional priorities
  - Tailored solutions
Six Regional Nodes meetings

- Berkeley
- Tallinn
- Kathmandhu
- Dar-es-Salam
- Santiago de Chile
- Auckland
Activities since GB24

- Capacity Enhancement Support Programme
- Endorsing Data Publishers from non-participant countries, but also from former and dormant participant countries!
- Biodiversity Open Data Ambassadors
- Billion records campaign
- Nodes development guidelines and indicators
- Translation of key documents
- Webinars & Community Forum
1,457 Data Publishers - regional breakdown

- Africa
- Europe
- North America
- Asia
- Latin America & Caribbean
- Oceania
Billion occurrence records - regional breakdown

- Europe
- Latin America &
- North America
- Oceania
Our recommendations

- Focus on people (Secretariat, Nodes, Publishers and Users)
- Training, especially for new node managers
- Identify a mechanism to locally:
  - Take part in GBIF work programme
  - Invest in more sustainable Nodes
    - Stable fundings
    - Capacitated staff
    - Development Plan
Thank you for your attention
And thanks to all these people