

## 2020 GBIF Asia virtual regional nodes meeting

*Draft programme*

### Events

The [GBIF Asia virtual regional nodes meeting](#) will take place on Zoom on 17 July 07:00-09:00 UTC. This event is for Node Managers and their teams.

In addition, Node Managers and their teams are invited to participate in [the GBIF Asia virtual summit](#) that will take place on Zoom on 20 July 07:00-09:00 UTC.

Finally, representatives from the nodes in Asia have been invited to participate in the [Data mobilization workshop for Asia](#).

### Objectives

The meeting aims to engage GBIF node managers from the region in discussions on:

- a) Progress towards the aims described in the [Nodes Strategy 2020-2021](#)
- b) Strengthening regional engagement and participation in GBIF through BIFA, CESP and other outreach actions
- c) Development of a regional engagement strategy

The aim of the summit is to present the work of GBIF and explain how organizations in the Asia region can get involved. The summit will discuss the issues raised in the [recently published 20-year review of GBIF](#) that highlights the need to expand participation in Asia.

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#### Friday 17 July 2020; Asia Virtual Regional Nodes Meeting

*Zoom meeting for Node Managers and their teams*

- Presentations and discussion will be in English
- Please join at 06:30 UTC to test video and audio
- The meeting will run from 07:00-09:00 UTC
- The meeting will be recorded

#### **Introductory Remarks**

*Dr. Tsuyoshi Hosoya, Regional representative for Asia*

#### **Session 1: Lightning talks from node managers**

*All node managers are invited to give a 5 minute presentation providing an update on their activities, with time for questions.*

#### **Session 2: GBIF Secretariat update and regional engagement strategy**

*Tim Hirsch, GBIF Secretariat Deputy Director*

An overview of data mobilization and availability in Asia. Presentation of a draft regional engagement strategy for Asia 2020-2021.

### **Session 3: Discussion: fundraising and engagement issues**

*Tsuyoshi Hosoya, Regional representative for Asia*

Discussion to identify regional outreach actions and possible funding sources to move towards the objectives of the strategy.

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#### **Monday 20 July 2020; GBIF Asia Virtual Summit**

*Zoom webinar for nodes, BIFA project teams, observers from the region*

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See the [Event Page](#) on the GBIF website for details.