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Checklists, mobilisation and uses

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Recommendations from Global Nodes meeting

- Licensing of Checklist dataset - to follow occurrence datasets.
- Enable versioning of checklist dataset in time so changes in the content(biodiversity/species composition) can be compared.
- QA mechanism for checklist publishing
 - Role of Node Manager
 - Enriched metadata
- The mapping of “Checklistbank” to the same list on the new version of the portal.
- Review/revise the documentation regarding checklist publishing.
 - Bring back online the Best Practice guides of Checklist publishing (Remsen, 2010).
- Visualisation of Checklist datasets based in DwC can help with comparison.



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Initial questions for discussion

- How can the generation of species checklists, in particular national checklists, be optimized in a country and do nodes have a key role in that?
- Is mobilisation of checklists a priority?
- How to make the use of checklists in reporting and research visible?
- Do we need overviews of checklists in GBIF like the monthly overviews for occurrence data?
- How dynamic need checklists to be?
- How to make better use of occurrence/event data in GBIF as evidence for species checklists?
- Should GBIF provide species distribution maps?