**BID Africa 2017 – National Grant Template
Midterm narrative report**

Instructions

- Fill the template below with relevant information. If no result has been achieved on a specific point, please indicate it as "no result achieved yet" and **indicate expected date of completion**

- Use the information included in your project Full proposal (reproduced in annex III of your BID contract) as a baseline from which to complete this template

- The information provided below must correspond to the financial information that appears in the financial report

- Sources of verification are for example direct links to relevant digital documents, news/newsletters, brochures, copies of agreements with data holding institutions, workshop related documents, pictures, etc. **Please provide access to all mentioned sources of verification** by either providing underline direct link or sending a copy of the documents.

- This report must first be sent as a **Word document** to BID@GBIF.org and be pre-approved by GBIFS

- Once this report is pre-approved in writing by GBIFS, it must be signed by the BID project coordinator and sent by post to:

  The Global Biodiversity Information Facility Secretariat (GBIFS)

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  DK-2100 Copenhagen Ø

  Denmark

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Template

1. Table of Contents

2. Project Information

2.1. Project Coordinator: Institution/network/agency name: Jimma University

2.2. Main contact person and role: Argaw Ambelu, Coordinator and Researcher

2.3. BID proposal identifier: AF2017-0309-NAC-FR

2.4. Project title: Biodiversity Information for Development and Environmental Resilience in Southwestern Ethiopia (BIDERSE)

2.5. Start date and end date of the reporting period: October 1, 2018 - May 31, 2018

2.6. Country in which the activities take place: Ethiopia

3. Overview of results

3.1. Executive summary

The project has created different awareness about biodiversity data sharing and mobilization. After a national stakeholders meeting is held, an initiation letter has written for the country to develop a biodiversity data sharing policy. This letter is being circulating among stakeholder for any additional input. EBI is leading this process and by the end of this year we are planning to present to the office of the Prime Minister about the necessity of biodiversity datasharing policy. Other activities performed are:

- *Creation of project team;*

- *Self assessment form was completed and submitted;*

- *The frst BID Capacity Enhancement workshop was participated by our senior technician;*

- *Data management manual is drafted;*

- *Knowledge dissemination is planned for students and faculty members at the beginning of 2nd semester;*

- *Jimma University was registered at GBIF as biodiversity data publisher and others are on atttempt; and MoU is drafted and being reviewed by partners.*

- *Three dataset are published and we have received additional dataset from NABU but we are waiting from EBI*

- *Students are being trained on biodiversity data mobilization*

- *Jimma University biodiversity database is under development*

3.2. Progress against expected milestones:

Give an overview of all the expected milestones for your project from the beginning until now (see Annex IV of your contract)

Expected milestones/activities	Completed?	Explanatory notes	Sources of verification
Completed capacity self-assessment questionnaire for national biodiversity information facilities https://www.gbif.org/document/82277/capacity-self-assessment-guidelines-for-national-biodiversity-information-facilities (EN) https://www.gbif.org/document/82782/auto-evaluation-des-capacites-pour-les-systemes-nationaux-dinformation-sur-la-biodiversite (FR) (**Early Progress report milestone**)	Yes	It has been filled and sent before the proposed date	Verification attached
At least one national data publishing institutions are registered with GBIF.org Guidelines to become a publisher: https://www.gbif.org/become-a-publisher (**Early Progress report milestone**)	Yes	Jimma University has applied to be a national data publising instittuion with GBIF.org We are waiting for the aproval	**https://www.gbif.org/publisher/b1b555aa-e482-462f-8b28-293d093ca9b9** **we have received an authorization to use IPT cloud**
At least one person from the project team has completed the certification process following the BID Capacity Enhancement workshop on Data Mobilization organized as a part of the BID programme Africa 2015 or the BID programme Africa 2017 (**Early Progress report milestone**)	Yes	After the BID Capacity Enhancement workshop, he has submitted all the required reports and assignments to get the Certification	Submitted report/assignment and email communications
Knowledge dissemination activities have been scheduled following the first BID Capacity Enhancement workshop (**Early Progress report milestone**)	Yes	After the BID Capacity Enhancement workshop, trainings are scheduled to be given to students who will join us as volenteers, one data mobilizing staff from EBI is planned to get the training at Jimma University, and knowledge will be disseminated on the stakeholders meeting.	Activity plan/ Notice and call for participation
At least one dataset has been published to GBIF.org (**Midterm report milestone**)	Yes	Three datasets have been published	http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=sep http://ipt-bid-

			red.gbif.fr/resource ?r=won http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource ?r=jimma
The data users identified in the full proposal have documented their intended use of the mobilized data and provided early feedback (***Midterm report milestone***)	No	We have shared the wabpage to stakeholders but we didn't receive their feedback yet.	

3.3. Project deliverables and activities

Refer to the table in section 2.2 "Deliverables, activities and reporting criteria" of your BID full proposal. Provide updates on the status of each of planned deliverables. In the event of unexpected delay, please provide detailed explanatory notes and indicate planned completion date. Add as many rows as needed.

Deliverable	Related activity	Completed ? Yes/No	Explanatory notes	Sources of verification
Mobilized biodiversity data	Digitization of the data for mobilization is started	Yes	Many organizations become interested to provide biodiversity data and will be enhanced after the MoU which is expected beginning of February We have mobilized three datasets and another two dataset are being digitized for publication	http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=sep http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=won http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=jimma
Signed MoU between partners to publish biodiversity data	MoU draft is circulating between stakeholders	Yes	Jimma University and NABU (Kaffa Biosphere Reserve) have already an MoU and for EBI draft is sent	Signed MoU document and the draft is attached
BIDERSE management manuals	Data Management manual is drafted and will be amended and during the stakeholders meeting.	Yes	From the Jimma University side, the manual is completed. Stakeholders have taken the management manual and will send us after they incorporated from their part	Manual is attached

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Trained biodiversity data mobilizing technicians	One data mobilizing technician is trained that has been organized by GBIF at South Africa	Yes	Our technician is now fully trained in data mobilization	Email communications
Digitized data	Some data are digitized and waiting for the publishing authorization of our institution	Yes	Our technician is digitizing data available at Jimma University	http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=sep http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=won http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=jimma
Protocol and checklists developed	Protocols are being developed but not completed	Yes	We have developed on biodiversity data collection protocol and others are under development	Protocol attached
BID training to students	This activity is planned	Yes	Students have been identified who will participate in the training	No of students trained, Pictures will be communicated
Publication	Planned	No	This will be held at the end of the project period.	Number of manuscripts published; publication will be made on our dataset published on GBIF cloud IPT
Stakeholders involved	Invited	Yes	Stakeholders are identified but their involvement is mentioned in the MoUs	No. of stakeholders signed the MoU
Identify endangered, vulnerable and threatened species for conservation	Endangered species have been identified from NABU.	No	Endangered and vulnerable species will be identified from other stakeholders in the coming months	List of endangered species
Awareness creation workshop	This has been successfully handled on Feb. 3, 2018	Yes	Stakeholders from different institutions have been participated	JU website and banners, pictures will be communicated in a separate file to be posted on our project website
Policy brief written	This will be done after publication	No	After the publication, we will write a policy brief to influence policy for biodiversity conservation and data mobilization	No of policy briefs

3.4. Datasets published on GBIF.org

Refer to the table in section 2.4 "Biodiversity data mobilization plan" of your BID full proposal. If the dataset is not yet published, please indicate the name of the institution that is expected to host the data when published in the column "DOI or URL/Planned hosting institution". Add as many rows as needed.

Dataset title	Publishing institution	DOI or URL/Planned hosting institution	Date/expected date of publication	Explanatory notes
Wetland and Forest Birds	JU	http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=jimma	Feb 2018	Digitization started
Macroinvertebrates (MI)	JU	http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=won	May 2018	We are clarifying if the family names can be published
Vegetation in the KBR	JU	http://ipt-bid-red.gbif.fr/resource?r=sep	May 2018	MoU is being circulating for data sharing

3.5. Examples of use of biodiversity data available through GBIF

Use the table to document use or planned use of data available through GBIF as part of your project. You may want to refer to the section 2.5 "Plan to support the integration of biodiversity information into policy and decision-making processes" of your BID full proposal. Please provide the DOI for datasets downloaded from GBIF in the "Contributing dataset(s)" column. Briefly describe how the data contribute or are planned to contribute in the "targeted application" column (ca. 50 words). Provide the date or approximate timeframe in months for the completion of activity in the "Date/time frame" column. Timeframe indicated may be after the completion of the project unless targeted application is one of the deliverables of your project. Please provide links to any documents or webpages documenting the use in the "Sources of verification" column. Add as many rows as needed.

Targeted application	Data user	Contributing dataset(s)	Date/time frame	Sources of verification	Notes
Bird data	KBR, Ethiopian Biodiversity Institute, Ethiopian Tourism Commission, Universities and Ministry of Environment	We are digitizing bird species data where after it will be published and data users will be notified	March – July 2018	Email communications and reports	Stakeholders will be notified by email and posters will be sent
Fish species	Ethiopian Biodiversity Institute, Universities and Ministry of Environment	Water resources monitoring and management in southwestern Ethiopia	March – August 2018	Websites and Report communications	Evidences will be available after publishing
Vegetation	KBR, Ethiopian Biodiversity Institute, Ethiopian Tourism	Conservation of flora and tracing of invasive species in KBR and other	February – August 2018	Websites and Report communications	Evidences will be available

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	Commission, Universities and Ministry of Environment	parts of southwestern Ethiopia			after publishing

3.6. Events organized as part of the project

List all the events that have been organized as part of your project. Please provide links to any documents or webpages documenting the use in the "Sources of verification" column. Add as many rows as needed.

Full title	Organizing institution	Dates	Number of participants	Sources of verification
Team Meeting	JU	26/10/2017	4	minutes
Team meeting	JU	15/11/2017	4	minutes
Team meeting	JU	14/12/2017	4	minutes
Call for contribution	JU		N/A	https://www.ju.edu.et/call-biodiversity-information-contribution
Briefing students about the data mobilization	JU	5/11/2017	27	Note books
Partners skype/phone call meeting	JU	28/11/2017	3	Note book
Technician Training	GBIF	4-8/12/2017	1	Participant
Partners Meeting	EBI	09/01/2018	4	Personal communication
Partners Meeting	JU	27/05/2018	3	Personal communication
Technical Training	GBIF	8-13/04/2018	1	Participant
Database platform establishment	JU	28/09/2018	1	Webpage

4. Updated calendar for the BID project implementation and evaluation period

The calendar should be completed in the same way as in the Full Project Proposal, but should include any expected changes. Provide reasons for any expected changes in section 4.1 'Explanatory Notes'.

Implementation period start date and end date (dd/mm/yy): 01/10/2017 - 30/09/2018																
Activity	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	**Notes**
Project preparation	X															
Develop checklist				x	x	x	x	x								
Sign MoU					X											Draft has been finished and signing will be finalized in February
Stakeholders meeting		X														Due to country wide unrest, this has been postponed and now will be held on Feb. 3 2018
Technician training		X														After the release of the project fund, the technician who will be involved in the data digitization and mobilization process will get a training in consultation with the GBIF secretariat
Early Progress evaluation & Reporting			X	X												
BID Capacity Enhancement workshop – Data mobilization and publication (Participation is mandatory)			X													
BID Capacity Enhancement workshop – Data use (Participation is mandatory)					X											
Mid-term evaluation & reporting							X	X								
Identifying species (endangered)						x	x	x	x	x	x	x				
Manual development											X	X				
Digitizing and publishing/mobilization data			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					After the training, technician will be fully engaged in data mobilization
Policy brief												x	x			
Partners meeting			X			X			X							One partner meeting will be held in each partner institutions
Students training and attachment			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Volunteer students will be attached in to data mobilization activity at any

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Evaluation period 01/10/2018 - 31/12/2018				
Activity	1	2	3	**Notes**
Collecting all BIDERSE information from partners	X			
Final financial and narrative reporting		X	X	

4.1. Explanatory notes:

Some activities such as the MoU signing is taking longer than the planned time due to   personnel reshuffling among institutions following the government change.

One very interesting activity being done is the establishment of biodiversity database that will give a direct access to researchers and different beneficiaries.

5. Beneficiaries/affiliated entities and other cooperation

5.1. Relationship with project partners

The partners directly or indirectly involved to our project are mainly colleagues working at Jimma University. Other partners outside Jimma University are collaborating in research and other national environmental and educational issues.

The Kaffa Biosphere reserve has contributed huge dataset of birds which will be available in the GBIF.org in the coming times.

5.2. Links to other projects and actions

Where applicable, outline any links and synergies you have developed with other actions, e.g. GBIF nodes, other BID funded projects, etc. If your organization has received previous grants in view of strengthening the same target group, to what extent has your BID project been able to build upon/complement the previous project(s) ?

N/A

6. Visibility

Please refer to the BID guidelines.

6.1. Visibility of the BID project

How is the visibility of your BID project being ensured?

Website posts, number of promotional materials distributed, number students involved in the service. We have also putting the logos of GBIF and EU on our biodiversity database website under development.

Short summary

Posters, schedule communications and university website and media is used to make the project visible. Ethiopian News Agency, Local FM radios are going to be used for visibility. Records are made some broadcastings have been made on FM 98.1. We have also putting the logos of GBIF and EU on our biodiversity database website under development.

Sources of verification

https://www.ju.edu.et/call-biodiversity-information-contribution

https://WWW.10.140.5.64:8080/IPT/ (website development is 100% complete)

6.2. Visibility of the EU contribution

How is the visibility of the EU contribution being ensured within your project implementation?

Short summary

Jimma University website, use of EU logo and acknowledgment in reports, workshops and at different stages and the database website under development.
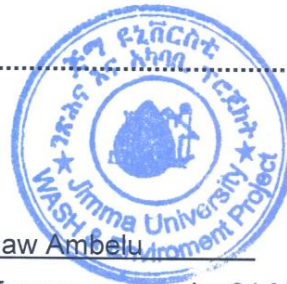
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Signature

Name of the contact person for the BID Project: ___Dr. Argaw Ambelu___

Date report sent by email in Word format to bid@gbif.org for pre-approval: _31 May 2018_

Date report sent by post to GBIF Secretariat: _____