Data Mobilization Survey

This is a situational and needs assessment of biodiversity data practitioners and their organizations.

It will require approximately 15 minutes of your time to complete.

Please feel free to answer the questions that are most applicable to your data or specimen collection. For instance, if you participate in biodiversity assessments and collect specimens from the field you may relate your answers to your own collection rather than those that may be held by the organization that you are affiliated with.

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1. Participant name *

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2. Name of organization you are affiliated with *

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3. Organisation type *

   Mark only one oval.

   ( ) Government

   ( ) Higher Education / Academia

   ( ) Non-governmental organization

   ( ) Statutory body

   ( ) Other: _____

Situational Assessment

4. What types of data/collection do you or does your organization hold? Please select all that   *
    apply.

    Tick all that apply.

    ☐ Not applicable

    ☐ Plants

    ☐ Fish

    ☐ Herpetofauna

    ☐ Aquatic algae

    ☐ Birds

    ☐ Mammals

    ☐ Other: _____

5. What format is your data recorded or stored? Please select all that apply. *

    Tick all that apply.

    ☐ Not applicable

    ☐ Physical specimens

    ☐ Catalogue or field books

    ☐ Species checklists

    ☐ Survey data (eg. vegetation plot data, reef survey transects

    ☐ Audio recordings

    ☐ Video recordings

    ☐ Database (eg. microsoft excel, microsoft access, other database management software)

    ☐ Other: _____

6. How many records are in your collection? Please give an approximate figure if you are not sure. *

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7. If you collect specimens from the field please state where your collections are held. *

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8. Does your organization own the biodiversity data held at your organization *

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9. Does your organization have a policy that covers data access, sensitivity and intellectual *
property rights? Please explain.

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Needs Assessment

10.   What type of biodiversity data is sought by data users within or affiliated with your   *
       organization?

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11.   Would you or a colleague/student be interested in training in specimen preservation,   *
       curation, and databasing?

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12.   How do you think it would benefit your organization and the country by sharing your   *
       biodiversity data records?

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13. Is your organization open to sharing your biodiversity records online via the Global   *
Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF)?

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Thank you for your time.

14. Any final comments?

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