

## Schedule for GBIF Asia Virtual Summit

### 0900-1100 UTC+2

0900-0905

*Welcome and opening remarks (Mélianie Raymond, GBIF Senior Programme Officer for Node Development; Tanya Abrahamse, Chair, GBIF Governing Board)*

0905-0920

*Introduction to GBIF participation in Asia and the Biodiversity Information Fund for Asia (BIFA) programme – Tim Hirsch, Deputy Director, GBIF*

0920-0930

*GBIF nodes in Asia – participation and plans – Tsuyoshi Hosoya, Asia regional nodes representative and node manager for Japan*

0930-0940

*Perspective from a new GBIF Participant country*

**Somaly Chan**, Deputy Secretary General, National Council for Sustainable Development, Ministry of Environment, Kingdom of Cambodia

0940-1000

*Mobilizing biodiversity data and broadening the community of practice in Asia – experiences from the BIFA programme (1)*

Introduced by **Maheva Bagard Laursen**, programme coordinator, with:

**Joe Chun-Chia Huang** – Southeast Asian Bat Conservation Research Unit

**Hwang Wei Song** – Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum, National University of Singapore

**Peggie Djunijanti** – Museum Zoologi Bogor, Indonesia

1000-1030

Panel discussion: *The future of GBIF in Asia: responding to the GBIF 20-year review*

Moderator: **Tim Hirsch**, Deputy Director, GBIF

Panellists:

**Nakul Chettri**, Regional Programme Manager, Transboundary Landscapes, International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)

**Theresa Mundita Lim**, Executive Director, ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity

**Keping Ma**, Secretary General, Biodiversity Committee, Chinese Academy of Sciences

**Vinod Mathur**, Chairman, National Biodiversity Authority, India

**Joe Miller**, Executive Secretary, GBIF

1030-1050

*Mobilizing biodiversity data and broadening the community of practice in Asia – experiences from the BIFA programme (2)*

Introduced by **Maheva Bagard Laursen**, programme coordinator, with:

**Saunak Pal**, Bombay Natural History Society

**Thien-Tam Luong**, Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City

**Arman Pili**, HerpWatch Pilipinas

1050-1100

*Staying engaged in GBIF and BIFA*

**Mélanie Raymond**, GBIF Senior Programme Officer for Node Development