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DIRECTOR'S FEEDBACK

April saw BioNET participating actively in the meetings of two biodiversity informatics initiatives, the Inter-American Biodiversity Information Network (IABIN) and the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF). More widely, the most significant publication for all concerned about biodiversity was the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment. This authoritative, timely and unprecedented assessment is set to be a key reference for defining priorities for action in environment and development.

IABIN, an initiative originated by the member countries of the Organisation of American States (OAS), held its fourth council meeting in Panama, the location of its new secretariat. This was the first meeting of IABIN since the winning of a project grant from the Global Environment Facility, a project to be implemented by institutions and initiatives from across the hemisphere, in partnership with the OAS and The World Bank.

I was delighted to be able to make a presentation to the IABIN council on recent LOOP activities in the hemisphere. Also welcome was the opportunity to become a member of the Technical Working Group of the Invasive Species Information Network (ISIN), the first Thematic Network set up under the GEF project. Chaired by Andrea Grosse from the USGS Biological Informatics Office, the group held its first meeting on the margins on the IABIN council. Other IABIN Thematic Networks being formed are Protected Areas, Species, Specimens, Pollinators and Ecosystems. We encourage taxonomists from the region to join their BioNET LOOP in supporting implementation of these thematic networks and working with IABIN partners towards the goal of interoperable biodiversity informatics systems in the Americas, a goal that is highly synergistic with BioNET's wider taxonomic capacity building interests.

Later in the month, GBIF met in Brussels for its governing board, science committee and science symposium. Both Assistant Director Lucie Rogo and myself participated, representing BioNET on the governing board and as members of the outreach and capacity building subcommittee. Mervyn Mansell (USDA-APHIS Southern Africa invasive species information hub) represented SAFRINET, a GBIF member.

Following the recent review of GBIF, the meetings provided valuable opportunities to debate how best to take GBIF forward into its next phase, one that is likely to see efforts increasingly focused on the delivery of more and more varied biodiversity information, to meet not only scientific needs, but the needs of end-users in, for example, environmental impact assessment, invasive species management and biodiversity conservation, to name just three areas where more globally accessible biodiversity information would make an enormous improvement to decision making.

In London Mónica Moraes, AndinoNET-Bolivia coordinator, represented BioNET at a Darwin Initiative workshop on taxonomy where David Minter, former BioNET project leader on Darwin projects, presented. Watch this space for news of a report on this workshop.

Lastly, a reminder that May 22 is Biodiversity Day. The theme this year, "Life Insurance for our Changing World", aims to highlight our critical dependence on biodiversity. Please send us news of how the taxonomy sector in your region marks this annual event.

Very best wishes,
Richard

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

ANDINONET: ANDEAN PALM EXPERTS MEET IN LONDON

The AndinoNET-Bolivia coordinator Mónica Moraes (National Herbarium, Bolivia) organized a meeting of experts on Andean palms in a breakout session of "The Palms - An International Symposium on the Biology of the Palm Family" (Linnean Society of London and the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew). Participants identified priorities for training and research and funding opportunities within the region. A work plan was agreed for 2005-6, including the formation of an expert group on Andean palms, organization by AndinoNET of an e-seminar, taxonomic training on useful palms of Venezuela and a course on the collection of palms. Contact Mónica Moraes: monicamoraes@acelerate.com

ANDINONET: CONSERVATION INTERNATIONAL SELECT THE PARUPA SCIENTIFIC STATION FOR TEAM PROJECT

The Parupa Scientific Station, which belongs to the Corporación Venezolana de Guayana (CVG-Venezuela) was selected by *Conservation International* as one of the stations for *The TEAM Project* (Tropical Ecology, Assessment and Monitoring). This designation is of great significance for ANDINONET and will have a positive impact not just for Venezuela, but for the whole Neotropical Region. The Director of the Station is M.Sc María E. Deza: maria.dez@cvg.com. Contact ANDINONET-Venezuela: clamiche@telcel.net.ve.

BioNET AT IABIN 4th COUNCIL MEETING, PANAMA, 6-8 APRIL 2005

For all presentations, including BioNET's see:

<http://www.iabin.net/english/meetings-workshops/meetings/ic4.shtml>

BioNET's Director, Richard Smith, has been made a member of the Technical Working Group of the IABIN Invasive Species Information Network (I3N). The first meeting was convened on 5th and 7th April:

http://www.iabin-us.org/projects/i3n/i3n_project.html

GLOBAL INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAMME: RENEWED COMMITMENT FROM KEY INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

On 10th April, senior representatives from key international environmental organizations met in Cape Town, South Africa for the inaugural meeting of the GISP Voluntary Association. This 2-day event also saw the four founding members of GISP adopting a new Constitution, which will combine and strengthen their efforts in the global struggle against invasive species. See: www.gisp.org. Contact: Ms K Brand, brandt@sanbi.org

GBIF WELCOMES FIVE NEW PARTICIPANTS

Associate Participants: Consortium for the Barcode of Life (CBOL), Republic of Cameroon, Republic of Guinea, Republic of the Philippines. Voting Participant: Republic of Equatorial Guinea. See: www.gbif.org.

3RD GBIF SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM: TROPICAL BIODIVERSITY: SCIENCE, DATA, CONSERVATION

The symposium took place in Brussels, 18-19 April 2005, in association with the 10th meeting of the Governing Board of the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF). For abstracts and further information, see <http://www.biodiversity.be/bbpf/data/data.html>.

INTERNET BRINGS US EXPERIMENTS TO AFRICAN STUDENTS

From SciDev.net: Researchers and students at three African universities will soon be able to use laboratory equipment at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), United States, without having to leave their campuses. By accessing MIT's 'iLabs' over the Internet, the staff and students will be able to manipulate laboratory equipment remotely using their computers and conduct experiments that are currently impossible because of the cost and restricted availability of necessary experiment. See: <http://www.scidiv.net/content/news/eng/internet-brings-us-experiments-to-african-students.cfm>

CALLS FOR PROPOSALS, GRANTS, VACANCIES AND FELLOWSHIPS

BELGIAN FOCAL POINT TO THE GTI: NEW CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The latest call for proposals for capacity building in taxonomy and collection management has been issued. 30 May deadline. See: <http://bch-cbd.naturalsciences.be//belgium/cooperation/projects/gti/eligible.htm>

**INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE (IFS) AND THE UNITED NATIONS
UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDIES (UNU-IAS) JAPAN.**

Two New Research Grant Opportunities for young researchers from developing countries See: <http://www.ifs.se>

THE DOROTHY HODGKIN POSTGRADUATE AWARD SCHEME (DHPA)

The scheme is a new UK initiative to bring outstanding students from India, China, Hong Kong, South Africa, Brazil, Russia and the developing world to come and study for PhDs in top rated UK research facilities. In 2005, up to 160 awards will be made. For general enquiries about DHPAs, please contact: studentships@epsrc.ac.uk | <http://www.rcuk.ac.uk/hodgkin/>

NEW PUBLICATIONS

MILLENNIUM ASSESSMENT FINDINGS

Web: www.MAweb.org

MAINSTREAMING BIODIVERSITY AND DEVELOPMENT INTO NAPA

A guiding frame for mainstreaming biodiversity and development into National Adaptation Programmes of Action (NAPA). Copies: <http://www.biodiversityasia.org/napa.html> | http://www.biodiversityasia.org/climate_change.html

SCIENCE AND DEVELOPMENT NETWORK

Spotlight on the regulation and protection of traditional medicine Web: <http://www.scidev.net/tm> | <http://www.scidev.net>)

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Annual Work Programme 2005: http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/projects/forests/documents_en.htm#top
Strategic guidelines and priorities 2005-2006:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/projects/forests/documents/env_guidelines_0506_en.pdf |

http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/projects/forests/documents/tropfor_guidelines_0506_en.pdf

THE PRECAUTIONARY PRINCIPLE PROJECT- ISSUES PAPER

Partnership of IUCN-The World Conservation Union, Fauna & Flora International, ResourceAfrica and TRAFFIC.

Web: <http://www.pprinciple.net/publications/PrecautionaryPrincipleissuespaper.pdf>

ARACNET

Electronic Bulletin of Entomology (in Spanish)

Web: <http://entomologia.rediris.es> Email: admin@entomologia.rediris.es

LAUNCH OF THE E-JOURNAL SUSTAINABILITY: SCIENCE, PRACTICE AND POLICY

The journal provides a platform for the dissemination of new practices and for dialogue emerging out of the field of sustainability. See: <http://ejournal.nbii.org/>

NEW PUBLICATIONS FROM CABI

Contact: orders@cabi.org / www.cabi-publishing/bookshop

- Innovations in Rural Extension - Case Studies from Bangladesh
- The Genetic Diversity of Cacao and its Utilization

Calendar of Events

2-4 May 2005

1st International Congress - Examples of successful Tropical Sustainable Development. University of Veracruz, Mexico. Contact: Dr Carmen Vergara Tenorio, Tel: (+52) 228- 8421700 Ext. 12644, 12646, 12649, Email: congresocitro@uv.mx | cvergara@uv.mx Web: <http://www.uv.mx/CITRO/reunion/index.htm>

4 May 2005

Royal Entomological Society's Entomological Computing and Technology Special Interest Group Meeting on applications of geographical information systems in entomology. Queen's Gate, London. Contact: Dr David Chesmore, Tel: +44 (0)1904 432394, Fax: +44 (0)1904 432335, Email: edc1@OHM.YORK.AC.UK Web: <http://www.royensoc.co.uk/>

9-13 May 2005

FAO/IAEA International Conference on Area-Wide Control of Insect Pests: Integrating the sterile insect and related nuclear and other techniques. Vienna Austria. Contact: official.mail@iaea.org Web: www.pub.iaea.org/MTCD/Meetings/Meetings_2005.asp | www.iaea.org/programmes/nafa/d4/index-conference2005.html

16-20 May 2005

XI Latin American Congress of Marine Science (COLACMAR), Viña del Mar, Chile. Information: <http://www.colacmar.cl/>

18-20 May 2005

Symposium on No Tillage and Environment, Carbon Sequestration and Water Quality, Iguassu Falls, Brazil. Contact: Dr Samran Sombatpanit, Fax: +66-25703641, Tel: 66-25703854, 29421973, E-mail: sombatpanit@yahoo.com, sombatpanit@hotmail.com Web: www.swcc.cn/waswc/

22 May 2005

Celebrations for International Day for Biological Diversity, theme: Life Insurance for our Changing World. See: www.biodiv.org

25-27 May 2005

International Workshop "Invasive Plants in the Mediterranean Type Regions of the World", Montpellier, France. Contact: Sarah Brunel, Tel: +33 4 99 23 22 14, Fax: +33 4 99 23 22 12, E-mail: s.brunel@cbnmed.org Web: www.ame-lr.org/plantes-envahissantes

26 May-5 June 2005

Third Festival of the Image of Nature, Museo Nacional de Historia Natural, Havana, Cuba. Contact: cinternacional@mnhnc.inf.cu

30 May-3 June 2005

2nd International Symposium on Phytosanitary Surveillance and its Relation to The Environment Protection, Havana, Cuba. Contact: María Julia Cárdenas Barrios, Tel: (537) 815089/700925/791339, Fax: (537) 703277/796654, E-mail: internacionales@sanidadvegetal.cu or estadística@sanidadvegetal.cu Octavio Pérez Marrero, Tel: 202-6011 ext. 1508, Fax: (537) 208-7996/202-8382 E-mail: octavio@palco.cu Web: <http://www.complejopalco.com>

30 May-3 June 2005

Second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, Montreal, Canada. Web: <http://www.biodiv.org/doc/meeting.asp?mtg=MOP-02>

31 May-3 June 2005

First Bolivian Congress of Mammology, Cochabamba, Bolivia. Contact: Jaime Rodríguez Fernández, Tel: (41) 361-1763, Fax: (41) 266-2042, Email: formycusub@hotmail.com

9-11 June 2005

Three day International Symposium "Introduction and Spread of Invasive Species" organised by DPG and BCPC, Berlin, Germany. See: www.phytomedizin.org/meetings/meet.hym or www.hcpc.org/invasive

13 June-1 July 2005

Course - Plant Families of Southeast Asia, Nationaal Herbarium Nederland. Cost: 25 Euro (syllabus) for students of the Dutch Research Schools Biodiversity and Functional Ecology, and 600 Euro for others (accommodation and airfare not included). Contact: Dr. Paul J.A. Kessler, Email: Kessler@nhn.leidenuniv.nl or Dr. Marco Roos, Email: roos@nhn.leidenuniv.nl Fax: +31-71-5273522, Web: <http://www.nationaalherbarium.nl>

15-17 June 2005

The 5th International Conference on Transgenic Animals (ICTA), Guangzhou, P.R. China. See: <http://www.icta5th.com> | <http://www.icta5th.com/main.php>

20-24 June 2005

Agroecological Pest Management in the Production System Workshop, INISAV. Ciudad de La Habana,. Cuba. Contact: Dr. Luis L. Vazquez, Fax: (537) 2029366, EMail: lvazquez@inisav.cu Web: www.inisav.cu

27-30 June 2005

14th International Scientific Congress CNIC 2005, Havana, Cuba. Contact: seminario@cnic.edu.cu | feria@cnic.edu.cu Web: <http://www.cnic.edu.cu/14Congreso/Bienvenida.htm>

17-23 July 2005

XVII International Botanical Congress, Vienna, Austria. Contact: Prof. Dr Marianne Popp, Email: Marianne.Popp@univie.ac.at or botanik@univie.ac.at

25-29:July 2005

Short Term Training Course in Urban Forestry and Landscaping, Dehradun, India. Contact Dr Sas. Biswas, Tel: 0091 135 2757021-23 Ext 4490 Fax: 0091 135 2756865, Email; biswassas@icfre.org

1-12 August 2005.

Economic Tools for Valuation and Management of Environmental Goods and Services (in Spanish) , CATIE Costa Rica, Contact: Róger Madrigal, Tel: +506 558 2406, Fax: +506 556 8514, E-mail: rmadriga@catie.ac.cr Web: www.catie.ac.cr/capacitacion | <http://www.catie.ac.cr/bancoconocimiento/C/CapacitacionBasesEconomicas2005/CapacitacionBasesEconomicas2005.asp>

2 August 2005

IFS Asian Regional Assembly 2005, Kuala Lumpur. Contact: Email: malsci@tm.net.my, Web: www.msa.org.my

8-10 August 2005

International Conference on "Biosciences, biotechnology and biodiversity analysis" Pune, India. Contact: Email: Dr. Kanchan Gandhe: kanchan.gandhe@gmail.com | kanchanganghe@hotmail.com | <http://www.geocities.com/kanchangandhe/index.htm>

23-26th August 2005

4th International Marine Bioinvasions Conference, Wellington, New Zealand. See: www.vuw.ac.nz/marineconference2005

29 August–3 September 2005

The Fourth WIOMSA Scientific Symposium. Advances in Marine Science in Western Indian Ocean Region: Contribution of Research in Improving Human Welfare and Poverty Alleviation, Grand Baie, Mauritius. Contact: secretary@wiomsa.org

11-18 September 2005

Taxonomic Databases Working Group (TDWG) St. Petersburg, Russia. Contact: Adrian Rissone, E-mail: A.Rissone@nhm.ac.uk with Subject line "TDWG 2005", Details: http://www.tdwg.org/2005meet/TDWG_2005_Intro.htm | <http://www.zin.ru/conferences/tdwg/index.html>

12-15 September 2005

VI Argentine Congress of Entomology, San Miguel de Tucuman, Argentina. Contact: Email: congtuc@csnat.unt.edu.ar Web: <http://www.sea.secyt.gov.ar>

12-16 September 2005

2nd International Symposium on Biological Control of Arthropods, Davos, Switzerland. Contact: ISBCA Symposium Secretary ISBCA@bluewin.ch and see: www.cabi-bioscience.ch/ISBCA-DAVOS-2005/

17-25 September 2005

First Regional Workshop on Fungal Genetic Resource Collections, Havana, Cuba. Contact: Jorge Luis Ortiz Medina, Tel: (53-7) 578780, 578266, 578088, 578010, Fax: (53-7) 578090, E-mail: botanica.ies@ama.cu | julio.mena@infomed.sld.cu | biokarst@ama.cu Web: www.ecosis.cu

19-20 September 2005

2nd International Congress and Innovation Fair "Sustainable Management in Action" (SMIA05), Geneva, Switzerland. Contact: <http://www.smia.info/>

26-27 September 2005

IOBC/WPRS Working Group "Integrated Control in Citrus Fruit Crops", Lisbon, Portugal. Contact: José Carlos Franco, Fax: +351-213653430, Email: iobc2005@isa.utl.pt Web: <http://www.isa.utl.pt/dppf/iobc>

13-14 October 2005

Symposium on World Food Day: "Poor health, food insecurity, and poverty - How to break a vicious circle?", Berne, Switzerland. Contact: Felix Hintermann, InfoAgrar Tel: +41 (0)31 910 21 91, Fax +41 (0)31 910 21 54, E-mail: felix.hintermann@infoagrar.ch Web: <http://www.infoagrar.ch> | <http://www.sfiar.ch>

24-28 October 2005

International Plant Health Risk Analysis Workshop, Niagara Falls, Ontario. Contact: Louise Dumouchel, Email: ldumouchel@inspection.gc.ca Web: <https://www.ippc.int/id/38814>

30 October-2 November 2005

III Argentine Congress of Limnology, Chascomús, Argentina. Information: <http://www.ilpla.edu.ar>

2-5 November 2005

BioThailand 2005: Biotechnology Challenges in the 21st Century, Bangkok, Thailand. Contact: BioThailand Secretariat, Tel: (66-2) 5646700, Fax: (66-2) 2488304, Email: biothailand2005@biotec.or.th Web: <http://biothailand2005.biotec.or.th>

3-6 November 2005

3rd International Waterfowl Conference, Guangzhou, P.R.China Contact: waterfowl2005@scau.edu.cn Web: www.scau.edu.cn/waterfowl2005/ <http://www.scau.edu.cn/waterfowl2005/>

9-11 November 2005

V Biodiversity Workshop, Santiago de Cuba, Cuba. Contact: Alina Morell Bayard, Email: alina@bioeco.ciges.inf.cu

9-12 November 2005

First DIVERSITAS International Conference on Biodiversity, Oaxaca, Mexico. Contact: Tel: +33 1 45 25 95 25, Fax: +33 1 42 88 94 31, E-mail: secretariat@diversitas-international.org Web: www.diversitas-international.org

14-15 November 2005

Conference "Communicating European Research 2005", European Commission, Brussels. Web: http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/conferences/2005/cer2005/index_en.html

15-17 November 2005

The state of science and technology training institutions in Africa and their role in socio-economic development. Organised by: The African Network of Scientific and Technological Institutions. Location: Accra, Ghana. Email: info@ansticonference.org Web: http://www.ansticonference.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=27&Itemid=47

28 November-2 December 2005

Training course on Nematodes in Cropping systems: Identification & Techniques. Australian National University, Canberra. Contact: Mike Hodda CSIRO Entomology. Tel: +61 2 6246 4371, Fax: +61 2 6246 4000 Email: mike.hodda@csiro.au

5-7 December 2005

Second International Conference on Parthenium Management, Bangalore, India. Details: http://www.iprng.org/IPRNG-parthenium_newsS.htm

5-9 December 2005

CBD/SBSTTA-11, Montréal, Canada. Web: <http://www.biodiv.org/doc/meeting.aspx?mtg=SBSTTA-11>

2006

30 January - 2 February 2006

International Conference: "Biodiversity of Insects: Challenging Issues in Management and Conservation", Coimbatore, India. Contact: Dr K. Murugan, Tel: +91-422-2422 222; Fax: +91-422-2425 706, Email: kmvkv@yahoo.com Web: www.b-u.ac.in

22-27 February 2006

6th International Conference of Hymenopterists, Sun City, South Africa. Contact: Prof. D.J. Brothers, Tel: +27 33 260 5102, Fax: +27 33 260 5105, E-mail: brothers@ukzn.ac.za

19-25 June 2006

IX Latin American Congress of Botany, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic – “Contributing to the Global Knowledge of the Latin American Native Flora”. Information: www.botanica-alb.org | www.botanica-alb.org/CongresoPreins.pdf

10 -14 September 2006

BGCI's 6th International Congress on Education in Botanic Gardens. The Nature of Success: Success for Nature, University of Oxford Botanic Garden, U.K. Contact: sarah.kneebone@bgci.org | education@bgci.org Web: www.bgci.org/educationcongress

13-17 September 2006 1

IX Meeting of the IOBC Phytopathogens working group, “Fundamental and practical approaches to increase biocontrol efficacy”. Spa, Belgium. Contact: Yigal Elad Tel 972 3 9683539, Fax 972 3 9683688; Email: elady@volcani.agri.gov.il,

2007

22-25 May 2007

1st International Biodiversity Congress: Working Together for Livelihood Security, Food Security and Ecological Security for Life on Earth. Bangkok. Contact: Ram Bhandari, Email: hirinepal@mail.com.np or ibc2007@yahoo.com

15-18 October 2007

XVI International Plant Protection Congress, Scottish Exhibition & Conference Center, Glasgow, UK. Information: www.bcpc.org/iapps2007

2008

13-19 July 2008

Fifth International Congress of Nematology, Brisbane, Australia. Contact: Tel +61 2 6246 4371, Fax +61 2 6246 4000, E-mail: mike.hodda@csiro.au

BioNET PUBLICATIONS

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CASE STUDY SERIES – WHY TAXONOMY MATTERS

Have you ever wondered why taxonomy is so important to sustainable development? Do you need examples of the value of taxonomy when talking to decision makers or funders? For a series of summary case studies, regularly updated, see: www.bionet-intl.org/case_studies Further contributions welcome.

TAXONOMY TARGETING INVASIVES

This collection of summary case studies, drawn from the Why Taxonomy Matters series, illustrates the role of taxonomy in Invasive Alien Species (IAS) management. With examples from various sectors, the case studies highlight how taxonomic expertise, surveys, information and analysis are of crucial importance to recognising and solving ecological, agricultural, trade, health and other problems caused by IAS. Published by BioNET-INTERNATIONAL in association with the Global Invasive Species Programme and the Invasive Species Specialist Group of the World Conservation Union (IUCN).

3GTW PLAN OF ACTION AND RESOURCE KIT FOR TAXONOMIC CAPACITY BUILDING

Presentations, the Plan of Action and other outputs from the 3rd Global Taxonomy Workshop (Pretoria and Paris) | Background on the Global Taxonomy Initiative | Recent publications and more. Published at www.bionet-intl.org/3gtw and on CD.

BioNET-INTERNATIONAL- An Introduction

Available to view or download from: www.bionet-intl.org/html/welcome/whatis/whatis.htm:

- An explanatory leaflet *What is BioNET?*
- The BioNET-INTERNATIONAL PowerPoint slide set

VORONTSOV'S WHO'S WHO IN BIODIVERSITY SCIENCES

in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Estonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan

ELECTRONIC DISTRIBUTION MAPS OF CARIBBEAN FUNGI

In English or Spanish

View online: <http://www.biodiversity.ac.psiweb.com/carimaps/>

SAFRINET TRAINING MANUALS

Set of four available on CD: 1. Collecting and Preserving Fungi: A Manual for Mycology | 2. Collecting and Preserving Nematodes: A Manual for Nematology | 3. Collecting and Preserving Insects and Arachnids: A Manual for Entomology and Arachnology | 4. Introduction to Practical Phytobacteriology: A Manual for Phytobacteriology.

Contacts for BioNET's Regional Partnership Networks (LOOPS)

ESTABLISHED LOOPS

ANDINONET http://www.bionet-intl.org/andinonet Regional Coordinator: Prof José Clavijo: clamiche@telcel.net.ve	ASEANET Secretariat: Dr Soetikno Sastroutomo: s.soetikno@cabi.org
CARINET http://carinet.ecoport.org Regional Coordinator: Dr Ron Barrow: carinet@trinidad.net	EASIANET http://www.easianet.nies.go.jp/hk Regional Coordinator: Dr Kevin D. Hyde: kdhyde@hkucc.hku.hk
EAFRINET http://eafrinet.ecoport.org Regional Coordinator: Dr Wanja Kinuthia: eafrinet@africaonline.co.ke	EuroLOOP Regional Coordinator: Dr S. Ulenberg ulenberg@science.uva.nl
NAFRINET Regional Coordinator: Prof Mohammed Rejdali: nafrinet@yahoo.fr m_rejdali@hotmail.com m.rejdali@iav.ac.ma	PACINET Regional Coordinator: Kate Brown: kateb@sprep.org.ws
SAFRINET http://safrinet.ecoport.org Regional Coordinator: Dr Connal Eardley: EardleyC@arc.agric.za	WAFRINET Regional Coordinator: Dr Braima James, IITA: b.james@cgiar.org

LOOPS UNDER DEVELOPMENT

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MesoAmeriNET Interim Regional Coordinator: InBio, Costa Rica Alvaro Herrera: alherrer@inbio.ac.cr	SACNET www.bionet-intl.org/sacnet http://www.biodiversityasia.org/sacnet Nominated Regional Coordinating Institute: IUCN- Regional Biodiversity Programme, Asia. Contact - Interim Coordinator: Bhujangarao Dharmaji: bhujang@sltnet.lk

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