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NEW DEVELOPMENTS

BioNET SECRETARIAT HELPS COMPILE TOOLKIT FOR GLOBAL TAXONOMY INITIATIVE (GTI)

Participants at a workshop in Stuttgart compiled materials for inclusion in a digital toolkit of resources aimed at helping GTI implementation in Europe. The workshop was organised and hosted by the German GTI Focal Point. Contact: Fabian Haas haas.smns@naturkundemuseum-bw.de

BioNET- EAFRINET-KENYA WELCOMES NEW FRUIT FLY / PARASITOID TAXONOMIST

Dr Maxwell K. Billah graduated with his PhD (Taxonomy & Systematics) on 4th March 2005 under the African Regional Postgraduate Programme in Insect Science (ARPPIS) based at the International Centre of Insect Physiology & Ecology (ICIPE), Nairobi-Kenya. Dr. Billah is a member of BioNET-EAFRINET and currently serving as a fruit fly and fruit fly parasitoid taxonomist with the African Fruit Fly Initiative (AFFI) in Nairobi, which is coordinating work on the new invasive alien fruit fly pest, *Bactrocera invadens* sp.n. in Africa. Contact: email: mbillah@icipe.org | makelbi@gmail.com

BioNET SUPPORTS IPM PROPOSAL FOR USAID

S Soetikno (BioNET-ASEANET Secretariat) represented BioNET at a workshop organised and hosted by the NSF Center for Integrated Pest Management, North Carolina, USA. The workshop, which included a BioNET-CARINET representative, assisted a team led by Prof Ronald Stinner in the development of an Integrated Pest Management proposal for submission to USAID.

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BioNET SECRETARIAT AT USAID STAKEHOLDERS MEETING

Lucie Rogo participated in the Washington DC meeting on "Agricultural Research Priorities for Near-Term Investment", making the case for greater investment in pollinators and other areas where taxonomic knowledge makes a critical contribution to achieving Millennium Development Goals.

See: www.usaid.gov/our_work/agriculture/ag_natural_resources_report_review.htm

NEW WEBSITE FOR CUBAN PLANTS LAUNCHED

This electronic publication has been supported by the [Darwin Initiative](http://www.darwininitiative.org) UK, the [Jardin Botánico Nacional de Cuba](http://www.jardinbotanico.cuba) and [BioNET-INTERNATIONAL](http://www.bionet-intl.org). See: www.cybertruffle.org.uk/vinales/esp

EXPERTS IDENTIFY REGULATORY GAPS FOR INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES

Source: BRIDGED Trade BioRes: <http://www.ictsd.org/biores/05-06-10/index.htm>

The world's leading experts on invasive alien species (IAS) met 16-20 May in New Zealand in a meeting mandated by the Convention on Biological Diversity to identify missing components and lack of coherence in international regulatory frameworks in relation to IAS. They discussed practical options to enhance policy coherence. The Expert Group also stressed that capacity limitations in developing countries remained one of the major obstacles to effective implementation of regulations.

See: <http://www.biodiv.org/doc/meeting.aspx?mtg=AISTEGGI-01>

ECOAGRICULTURE CONFERENCE: NEED FOR GREATER TAXONOMIC UNDERSTANDING OF BENEFICIAL ORGANISMS

The 2004 Ecoagriculture Conference and Practitioners' fair included a session on the Scientific Basis of Ecoagriculture. The notable current lack of understanding with respect to the taxonomy and role of 'beneficials'

in terrestrial and aquatic systems was highlighted, as was the lack of information on the potentially negative impacts of introducing new species into a system. Conference Proceedings: www.ecoagriculturepartners.org

BIODIVERSITY MONITORING SYSTEM WILL AID CONSERVATION IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Oxford plant scientists are embarking on a major project with the University of the West Indies (UWI) to establish a biodiversity monitoring system for Trinidad and Tobago. Funded by a £265,000 award from the UK Darwin Initiative, the project will create a detailed vegetation map of the islands and link the plant collections of Oxford and the UWI online for the first time. Web: <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/po/news/2004-05/may/04a.shtml>

THE GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FORUM (GBF) – 4th REGIONAL SESSION (ASIA)

The Forum was hosted by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) in Manila, Philippines and convened by a range of national, regional and global partners along with IUCN-Regional Biodiversity Programme, Asia. Participants from 13 countries addressed the following themes: Divided yet united - Development planning at regional and national levels; The Precautionary Principle in Natural Resource Management and Biodiversity Conservation; Developing a work programme on Synergies and Inter-linkages among MEAs. Forum report: <http://www.biodiversityasia.org/gbf.html>

THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR UNDERUTILIZED CROPS MOVES TO SRI LANKA

The International Centre for Underutilized Crops (ICUC) and the International Water Management Institute (IWMI) announce the relocation of ICUC's Headquarters from the United Kingdom to Sri Lanka. The ICUC is now co-located and hosted by IWMI at its Headquarters in Colombo, Sri Lanka. Contact Prof. Frank Rijsberman, Director General of IWMI, Email: iwmi@cgiar.org; Dr. Nazmul Haq: Email: director_icuc@cgiar.org Web: www.civil.soton.ac.uk/icuc/

FAUNA AND FLORA OF NEW CALEDONIA

The Association Endémia collects scientific information on the rich fauna and flora of New Caledonia and makes the information freely available to the public. The database on the Tracheophytes includes 3243 species, including 2407 endemics, with illustrations for 1174 of these unusual and ancient plants.

See: <http://www.endemia.nc/>

SOUTH AMERICAN AND ARAB COUNTRIES HAVE PLEDGED TO INCREASE COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

The plans were outlined in a declaration made at the first South American-Arab Summit, held on 10-11 May in Brasilia, Brazil.

Source: SciDev.net: <http://www.scidev.net/News/index.cfm?fuseaction=readNews&itemid=2107&language=1>

NEW PUBLICATIONS

INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES AND THE IPPC - WORKSHOP PROCEEDINGS

The Workshop Proceedings "Invasive alien species and the International Plant Protection Convention" which took place in Braunschweig, Germany from 22-26 September 2003 are now available. Workshop presentations and documents include papers from BioNET, BioNET-SAFRINET AND BioNET-ASEANET.

For proceedings contact: Stacie Johnston, IPPC Secretariat, Email: Stacie.Johnston@fao.org

Presentations: <https://www.ippc.int/id/26901>

FUNDING GUIDE TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

The CBD Secretariat has launched the "Financial Resources and Mechanism Donor Guide to the Convention on Biological Diversity". It is a "as a useful tool to promote coordination, coherence and synergies in financing for biological diversity." See: <http://www.biodiv.org/financial/guide.shtml>

EX SITU CONSERVATION OF FOREST GENETIC DIVERSITY

Source: FAO-BiotechNews <http://www.fao.org/biotech/index.asp>

The third in a set of three guides to the conservation and management of forest (tree and shrub) genetic resources has just been published on the web, entitled "Forest genetic resources conservation and management: In plantations and genebanks (ex situ)".

See <http://www.ipgri.cgiar.org/publications/pdf/1053.pdf> or contact forest-genetic-resources@fao.org for a free copy.

BIOPROSPECTING OF GENETIC RESOURCES IN SEABED AREAS

Source: FAO-BiotechNews <http://www.fao.org/biotech/index.asp>

The United Nations University's Institute of Advanced Studies (UNU-IAS) has just published a report entitled "Bioprospecting of genetic resources in the deep seabed: Scientific, legal and policy aspects", by S. Arico and C. Salpin. The study aims to provide a factual review of the scientific, legal and policy aspects related to bioprospecting in seabed areas beyond national jurisdiction. Chapter 4 of the 62-page report is entitled "Overview of global biotechnology and bioprospecting trends". See http://www.ias.unu.edu/binaries2/DeepSeabed_FINAL.pdf | contact unuias@ias.unu.edu

OECD BIODIVERSITY AND BIOSAFETY POLICY BRIEF

Source: FAO-BiotechNews <http://www.fao.org/biotech/index.asp>

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) recently released an 8-page Policy Brief entitled "Preserving biodiversity and promoting biosafety". See <http://www.oecd.org/dataoecd/4/4/34932656.pdf> | contact icgb@oecd.org

SWEET POTATO DIAGNOSTIC KEY WEB RELEASED

For the interactive diagnostic key to sweet potato problems, "Sweet potato DiagNotes" See: <http://www.lucidcentral.org/keys/sweetpotato/>. CDs available soon, requests to: Email: cbit@uq.edu.au. Feedback is welcomed, and please report any problems or errors.

Source: PGR News From The Pacific. Contact: Jane O'Sullivan at j.osullivan@uq.edu.au.

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF MUSEUMS, COMMITTEE FOR CONSERVATION (ICOM-CC)

Decision Making Model for the Conservation and Restoration of Fluid Preserved Specimens" See: <http://icom-cc.icom.museum/WG/NaturalHistoryCollections>

UNCTAD-ICTSD RESOURCE BOOK ON TRIPS AND DEVELOPMENT

Contact: ictsd@ictsd.ch

Web: http://www.iprsonline.org/unctadictsd/ResourceBookIndex_update.htm

NEW PUBLICATION: TROPICAL BRUCHIDS - CALL FOR EXPERTS

We are looking for experts who would like to participate by writing 1 or 2 chapters on Tropical Bruchids in French and English. Contact Professeur Isabelle Glietho, Université de Lomé, B.P. 1515, Lomé, Togo. Email: iglietho@tg.refer.org or isabelglietho@hotmail.com

NEW PUBLICATIONS FROM CABI

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

- *Keys to the Trematoda, Volume 2*
- *Urban Aquaculture Plant Parasitic Nematodes in Subtropical and Tropical Agriculture, 2nd edition*
- *The African Food Crisis - Lessons from the Asian Green Revolution*
- *Forest Climbing Plants of West Africa: Diversity, Ecology and Management*

Calendar of Events

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

26-29 July 2005

Four day "Regional Training Workshop on Risk Assessment and Risk Management of GM Crops" organized by FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (FAO-RAP) and Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF), Government of Japan, Tsukuba-Tokyo, Japan. Contact: Dr. Banpot Napompeth, Email: Banpot@fao.org and/or Dr. Kentaro Kawaguchi, Email: kentaro@affrc.go.jp

27-29 July 2005

XXXII Nacional Entomological Congress, Ibagué, Colombia. Contact: Web: www.socolen.org.co/congreso.

1-6 August 2005

22nd European Colloquium of Arachnology, Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria. Web: <http://www.zoology.bas.bg/22eca/>

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 | kanchangandhe@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

29-31 August 2005

11th Annual Conference of the International Association for Impact Assessment, South African Affiliate: Legislating for Sustainability, Thaba'Nchu Sun, Free State Province, South Africa. Contact: Email: kruger@kruger-associates.com Web: www.iaia.co.za

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>

7-9 October 2005

52nd Annual Systematics Symposium "Reconstructing Complex Evolutionary Histories: Gene-Species, Trees, Historical Biogeography, and Co-evolutions", Missouri Botanical Garden, United States of America. See:

www.mobot.org/MOBOT/research/symposium/welcome.shtml Contact: Mick Richardson, Tel: +1 (314) 577 5176, Fax: +1 (314) 577 0820, Email: mick.richardson@mobot.org

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>

31 October-4 November 2005

The 7th Africa GIS Conference and Exhibition: "Beyond Talk: Geo-information working for Africa", Johannesburg, South Africa. See: <http://www.africagis2005.org.za/>

1-3 November 2005

International Workshop "Implementation of biocontrol in practice in temperate regions - present and near future" Flakkebjerg, Denmark. Contact Lise Stengård Hansen, Email: lises.hansen@agrsci.dk Web: <http://www.centre-biological-control.dk>

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

13-15 November 2005

The 3rd International Conference on date palm, Al Ain, United Arab Emirates. Contact: zaid@uaeu.ac.ae Web: <http://dpagn.uaeu.ac.ae/first%20announcement.htm>

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: kmvbk@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

23-25 February 2006

International Symposium on Agriculturally Important Micro-organisms: Conservation, Utilization, Bioremediation and Ecological Significance, Indian Mycological Society, Kolkata, India. Contact: Professor N. Samajpati, Fax: (0091) (033) 2236 0609, Email: clubinn@cal2.vsnl.net.in

5-9 June 2006

28th Symposium of the European Society of Nematologists, Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria. Information: Web: <http://biocore.ecolab.bas.bg/esn2006>

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

For free CD / hard copies, contact bionet@bionet-intl.org

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.andinonet.org.ve 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
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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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