

**Invitation to participate to a**  
**“Workshop on a Network of Knowledge on Biodiversity:**  
**a contribution from Europe”**

**Brussels, May 6<sup>th</sup> 2009**

***Preliminary list of invited networks and organisations***

NAME	CONTACT PERSON	POSITION
<b>European organizations, institutes and initiatives</b>		
CIESM - Mediterranean Science Commission	<b>Frederic Briand</b>	Director General
CIPRA - Commission Internationale pour la Protection des Alpes	<b>Andreas Götz</b>	Director
CPVO - Community Plant Variety Office	<b>Dirk Theobald</b>	
EASAC	<b>John Murlis</b>	Secretary Environment Group
EEA - European Environment Agency	<b>Jaqueline McGlade</b>	Executive Director
EEB - European Environment Bureau	<b>John Hontelez</b>	Secretary General
EFI - European Forest Institute	<b>Claire Lennon</b>	Office manager
EFNCP - European Forum for Nature Conservation and Pastoralism	<b>Mike Pienkowski</b>	
EHF - European Habitats Forum	<b>Andreas Baumüller</b>	Vice chair
ELIXIR - European Life Sciences Infrastructure for Biological Information	<b>Andrew Lyall</b>	
EPBRS - European Platform for Biodiversity Research Strategy	<b>Jurgen Tack</b>	Chair
EPPO - European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization	<b>Nico van Opstal</b>	Director
ETC/BD - European Topic Centre on Biological Diversity	<b>Sophie Condé</b>	
EUROPARC	<b>Carol Ritchie</b>	Director
European Community Biodiversity Clearing House Mechanism	<b>Rania Spyropolou</b>	European community rep
FACE - Federation of Associations for Hunting and Conservation of the EU	<b>Yves Lecocq</b>	Secretary General
IEEP - Institute for European Environmental Policy	<b>David Baldock</b>	Executive Director
MARS - European Network of Marine Research Institutes and Stations	<b>Herman Hummel</b>	
NRI - Natural Resources Institute (UK)	<b>Guy Poulter</b>	Director
PEER	<b>Jaques Jansen</b>	Secretary General
PESI - Pan-European Species-directories Infrastructure	<b>Yde de Jong</b>	Coordinator
Planta Europa	<b>Anca Sarbu</b>	President
European Academies Science Advisory Council - Environmental Steering Panel	<b>John Murlis</b>	
Pan-European Biological and Landscape Diversity Strategy	<b>Robert Lamb</b>	Chair
<b>Biodiversity related research projects and networks of excellence under the EC FP</b>		
ALTER-Net (2004 - 2009)	<b>Terry Parr</b>	Coordinator
ALARM (2004 - 2009)	<b>Josef Settele</b>	Coordinator
BioStrat (2006 - 2009)	<b>Katalin Török</b>	Coordinator

EBONE (2008 - 2012)	Rob Jongman	
ECOCHANGE (January 2007 - December 2011)	Pierre Taberlet	Coordinator
EDIT (March 2006 - February 2011 )	Simon Tillier	Director
EVOLTREE ( April 2006 - March 2010 )	Martin Kernan	
Hermione (2009 - 2012)	Sybille van den Hove	
MARBEF - Marine Biodiversity and Ecosystem Functioning	Carlo Heip	General Director
MODELKEY (2005 - 2010 )	Werner Brack	Coordinator
SCALES (2009 - 2014)	Klaus Henle	
SESAME (2006 - 2010 )	Evangelos Papathanassiou	Project Coordinator
SOILSERVICE (2008 - 2012 )	Ewa Rabinowicz	Research Director
<b>(European) National organizations, institutes and initiatives</b>		
Allterra (Netherlands)		
ATEN - Technical Support for the Management of Natural Areas (France)	Emmanuel Thevenin	
British Ecological Society (UK)	Ceri Margerison	Science Policy Manager
CEH - Center for Ecology and Hydrology (UK)	Patricia Nuttal	Director
Federation of French Regional Natural Parks (France)		
FRB - Fondation pour la Recherche sur la Biodiversité (France)	Xavier Le Roux	Director
Hugarian Ecological Society	Béla Tóthmérész	President
Hungarian Natural History Museum	Matskási István	Director
INBO - Research Institute for Nature and Forest	Jurgen Tack	Director
Institute of Ecology and Botany of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences	Katalin Török	Director
JNCC - Joint Nature Conservation Committee (UK)	Deryck Steer	Managing Director
Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences (Belgium)	Camille Pisani	Director
Swedish Scientific Council on Biological Diversity (Sweden)	Mark Marissink	
Swiss Biodiversity Forum (Switzerland)	Sylvia Martinez	
UFZ - Center for Environmental Research (Germany)	Stefan Klotz	Speaker Division for Biodiversity
Science for the Carpathians	J. Kozak	
Slovak ILTER	Lubos Halada	chair
IDDRI	Lucien Chabason	
<b>International organizations, institutions and initiatives with European activities/office</b>		
BGCI - Global Partnership for Plant Conservation	Suzanne Sharrock	Director Global Programme
BioNET-International	Richard Smith	Director
Bioversity International (Int. Plant Genetic Ressource Inst.)	Jozef Turok	Regional Director
CBOL - Consortium for the Barcode of Life	Simon Tillier	Europ. Member of Exec. Comm.
Census of Marine Life	Myriam Sibuet	Vice Chair
CIFOR - Center for International Forestry Research	Frances Seymour	General Director
COHAB - Co-Operation on Health & Biodiversity Initiative	Conor Kretsch	Executive Director
DIVERSITAS	Anne Larigauderie	Executive Director
Earthwatch Institute	Nigel Winser	Executive Director
Friends of the Earth Europe	Magda Stoczkiewicz	Director

GBIF - Global Biodiversity Information Facility	David Penman Nick King	Chair of Executive Committee Executive Director
GCRMN - Global Coral Reef Monitoring Network	Clive Wilkinson	Global Coordinator
GEO - Group on Earth Observations	Jose Achache	Director
GESAMP - Group of Experts on Scientific Aspects of Marine Environmental Protection	Tim Bowmer	Chairman
Greenpeace Europe	Bill Mankin	Forests Political Advisor
ICES - International Council for the Exploration of the Sea	Gerd Hubold	General Secretary
ICRAN - International Coral Reef Action Network	Kristian Teleki	Director
ICSU - International Council for Science	Thomas Rosswall	
ICTSD - International Center for Trade and Sustainable Development	Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz	Chief Executive
IDDRI - Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations	Lucien Chabason	
Indigenous Peoples' Center for Documentation, Research and Information	Pierrette Birraux	Scientific Director
IZCN - International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature	Ellinor Michel	Executive Secretary
SCOPE - Scientific Committee on Problems of the Environment (part of ICSU)	Plocq Fichelet	Executive Director
Society for Conservation Biology	Luigi Boitani	Chair of Committee
Species 2000	Michael Dadd	
WBCSD - World Business Council for Sustainable Development	James Griffiths	Program Officer, Water and Ecosystems
<b>NGOs with European activities/office</b>		
BGCI - Botanic Gardens Conservation International	Per Bogstad	Communications and Partnership manager
BirdLife International	Clairie Papazoglou	Head of office
ECNC - European Centre for Nature Conservation	Rob Wolters	Executive Director
EPE - European Partners for the Environment	Raymond van Ermen	Executive Director
Global Footprint Network	Mathis Wackernagel	Executive Director
IUCN – the World Conservation Union	Julia Lefevre	Director General
IUFRO - International Union of Forest Research Organizations	Peter Mayer	Executive Director
Orée	Nadia Loury	Director
Plantlife International	Martin Harper	Conservation Director
Wetlands International	Philipp Edwards	Executive Director
WWF - World Wildlife Fund	Andreas Baumüller	Biodiversity Policy Officer
<b>Intergovernmental Organizations and Programmes with European relevance</b>		
ASEAN center for Biodiversity	Rodrigo Fuentes	Director
Bern convention	Carolina Lasen-Diaz	
CABI	Trevor Nichols	CEO
CBD - Convention for Biological Diversity	Ahmed Djoghla	Secretary General
CBD/COP	Lars Berg	EU Bureau member
CBD/SBSTTA - Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice	Gabriele Obermayr	Secretariat
CITES - Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species	Willem Wijnstekers	Secretary General
CMS - Convention on Migratory Species	Robert Hepworth	Executive Secretary

Council of Europe - Directorate of Culture and Cultural and Natural Heritage	<b>Eladio Fernandez-Galiano</b>	Biodiversity unit
FAO - United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization	<b>Maria Kadlecikova</b>	European Rep
GEO - Intergovernmental Group on Earth Observations	<b>José Achache</b>	Secretariat Director
IOC - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission	<b>Javier Valladares</b>	Chairman
IWC - International Whaling Commission	<b>Nicola Grandy</b>	Secretary
MA - Millenium Ecosystem Assesment	<b>Maiko Nishi</b>	Secretary MA follow-up
OSPAR (NE Atlantic)	<b>David Johnson</b>	Executive Secretary
Ramsar Convention on Wetlands	<b>Anada Tiega</b>	Secretary General
TEEB Initiative	<b>Mark Schauer</b>	Secretary
UNCCD - UN Convention to Combat Desertification	<b>Luc Gnacadya</b>	Executive Secretary
UNEP-ROE	<b>Christophe Bouvier</b>	Regional Director
UNEP-WCMC	<b>John Hutton</b>	Director
UNESCO - United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization	<b>Meriem Bouamrane</b>	
UNFCCC - UN Framework Convention on Climate Change	<b>Yvo de Boer</b>	Executive Secretary
UNFF - United Nations Forum on Forests	<b>Jan L. McAlpine</b>	
<b>Primarily non-European NGOs</b>		
Conservation International	<b>Olivier Langrand</b>	Senior Adviser
FFI - Fauna and Flora International (US, Australia)	<b>Zbigniew Karpowicz</b>	Director
Global Coral Reef Alliance	<b>Thomas Goreau</b>	President
World Fish Center (Malaysia)		
Worldwatch Institute	<b>Christopher Flavin</b>	President
<b>Other international organizations, institutions and initiatives</b>		
GISP - Global Invasive Species Programme	<b>Sarah Simons</b>	Executive Director
IABIN - Inter-American Biodiversity Information Network	<b>Gladys Cotter</b>	Chair EC IABIN
NBII - National Biological Information Infrastructure (US)		
Smithsonian Institute (US)	<b>Cristain Samper</b>	Director
TDWG - Biodiversity Information Standards (Australia)	<b>Lee Belbin</b>	
<b>European learned societies</b>		
European Plant Science Organization	<b>Karin Metzlauff</b>	Executive Director
European Society for Ecological Economics	<b>Arild Vatn</b>	President