



Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF)

Pro bono Legal Expert Group Meeting (PROLeg)

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17 September:

6:30 pm: Informal ice-breaker (at Schaeffergaarden)

18 September:

9:00 – 9:20	Welcome and general introductions
9:20 – 10:00	Overview of GBIF's mission and policies regarding IPR issues Outcome/deliverable: PROLeg members are fully aware of GBIF's overall work and the instruments in place to deal with IPR issues, e.g. Para. 8 of MoU, GBIF Data Use and Sharing agreements and recommendations made by the RRT team
10:00 – 10:45	Discussion of IPR concepts (e.g., public domain, openly accessible, copyright and copyleft, universal use vs non-commercial only, etc.) Outcome/deliverable: Quick overview helps everybody to share a common understanding of fundamental concepts. Identification of authoritative sources of definitions for GBIF to use.
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee/tea break
11:00 - 12:30	Existing and possible mechanisms to facilitate data access and data sharing: (a) Analysis and discussion of the GBIF Data Use and Data Sharing agreements. Are they fully in line with the current

	<p>wording of the new GBIF MoU (Paragraph 8)? Should the current text of the agreements stay or should they be modified?</p> <p>Outcomes/deliverables: Existing agreements are analyzed in light of the new MoU. If needed, the group will draft recommendations on how to improve the use and implementation of the GBIF agreements.</p>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Existing and possible mechanisms to facilitate data access and data sharing:</p> <p>(b) Use of alternative licensing agreements (e.g., Creative Commons). Overview, pros and cons as they refer to GBIF-mediated biodiversity data. Discussion and analysis of experiences to date (e.g., Colombian experience and others). How can GBIF benefit from the CC licensing agreements? How can they be used for different access and use conditions (e.g., for commercial/non-commercial uses of data, and reuse of data by the Secretariat, NODES or third parties?)</p> <p>Outcomes/deliverables</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Licensing agreements are analyzed in detail. 2. Experiences are considered and recommendations are made to GBIF about the convenience of using them to address specific scenarios (e.g., attribution only, non-commercial uses, reuse by third parties, etc.
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee/tea break
15:45 – 17:00	Continuation of discussion on (b) licensing agreements
19:00	Group Dinner

19 September:

9:00 – 10:45	Discussion on the GBIF agreements and alternative licenses continued
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee/tea break
11:00 – 12:30	Discussion of the GBIF agreements and alternative licenses continued.
12:30 – 14:00	lunch
14:00 – 17:00	Review of results, interim conclusions and recommendations, unresolved issues and next steps. Drafting of recommendations on licensing agreements and other issues.

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