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sharing biodiversity knowledge



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The Atlas of Living Australia (ALA) is a partnership of Australian scientific institutions and organisations, funded under the Australian Government's National Collaborative Research Infrastructure Strategy (NCRIS).

The ALA is developing a data management system to catalogue and organise information relevant to the study of Australia's biodiversity.

The project will bring together information from a wide variety of sources, including many of the country's most significant natural history collections and herbaria, ecological and observational data sets, images, online literature, diagnostic tools and molecular data.

Over the next few years, the ALA will deliver a range of tools to enable anyone in the world to discover, access and analyse information on Australia's fauna and flora.

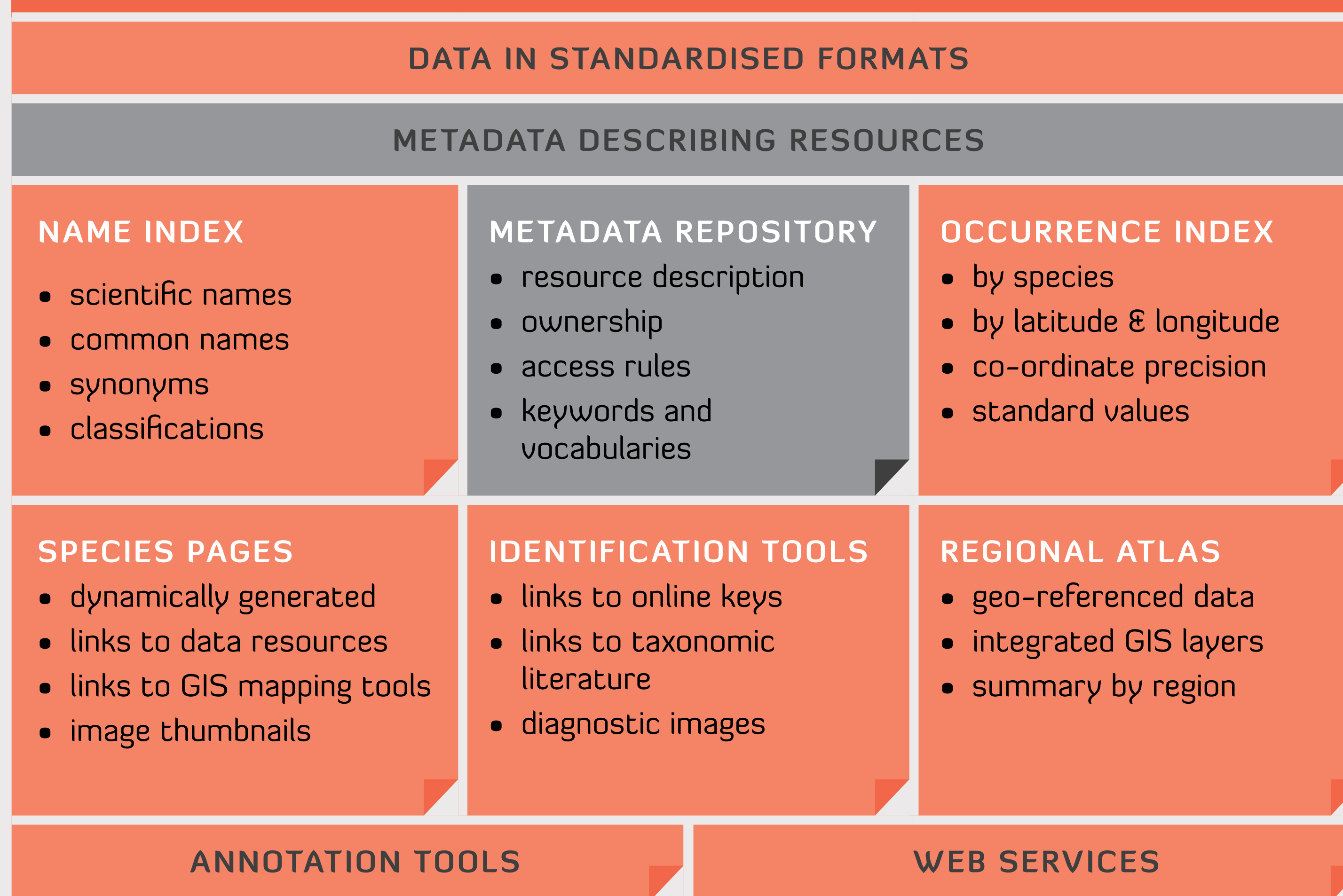


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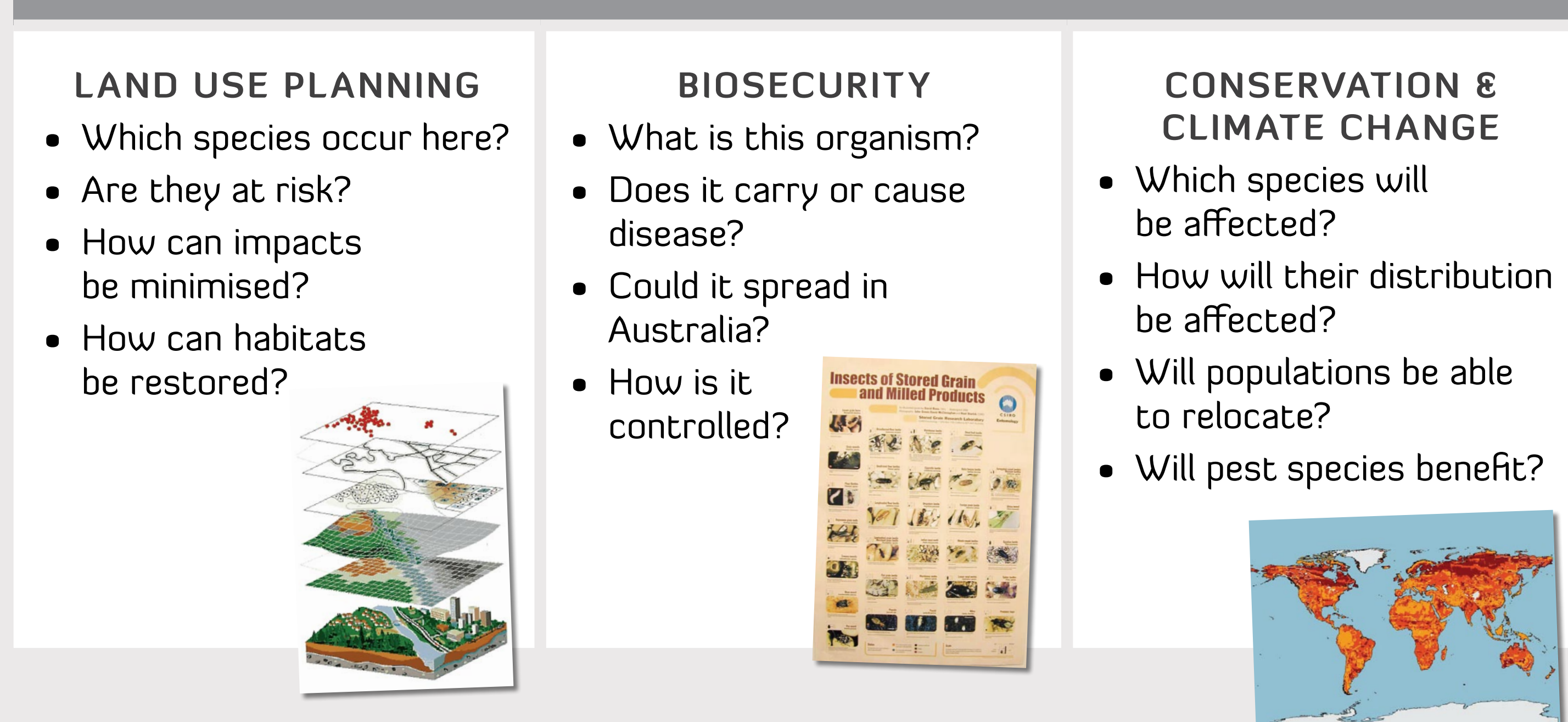
Sources of biodiversity data



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Uses of biodiversity data



The ALA is working with its partners to develop a set of tools to support research in biodiversity.

- A registry of information resources on Australian biodiversity
- Interfaces to authoritative checklists of Australian species
- Search interfaces to locate information by species, topic, local region and other categories
- Tools to compare species and identify organisms
- Overview pages for every Australian species
- Tools to map and analyse the occurrence of Australian organisms
- Tools to capture and store observations and user-provided data
- Tools to link molecular data with other species information
- Tools to collect and integrate user comments
- Linkages to international data sharing projects
- Collaboration with the Australian agencies and organisations developing software

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