**Reviewer Katia Cezón: Accept**

This paper describes the online accessible dataset “*Passerine bird communities in Sierra Nevada, a Mediterranean high mountain located in southern Spain”*. It includes occurrence data and measurements from bird surveys conducted in several representative ecosystem types of Sierra Nevada recorded from 2008 to 2015. It was carried out by Sierra Nevada Global-Change Observatory (OBSNEV), in the context of a long-term research project designed to compile socio-ecological information on the major ecosystem types in order to identify the impacts of global change in this mountainous region from SE Spain.

The main purpose of this manuscript is to describe this dataset and the context in which it was created, which is available in a standardized structure in order to be shared and used by the scientific community (under the Creative Commons Attribution Non Commercial (CC-BY-NC) 4.0 License http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc/4.0/legalcode). The dataset provides not only the presence occurrence records, but also information about the measurements of the individuals, both in the Darwin Core Archive standard.

Structure and content

The manuscript is well structured with a clear introduction and description that place the dataset into the project context. Methods are well explained and illustrated and spatial, temporal, taxonomic and geographical coverage of the dataset are well documented. Moreover it mentions the data quality control process and the tools used, which guarantee the quality of shared data. The literature cited by the author is pertinent to the subject.

This Data Paper is correctly linked to the published dataset freely available online in their public repositories; IPT (http://www.gbif.es/ipt/resource?r=passerine), GBIF international portal (<http://www.gbif.org/dataset/bb1c7420-fbb5-46e2-87ad-658081360694>).

Evaluation

The paper is suitable for publication in the journal.  Just some comments below:

* Also the DOI for the IPT repositori *doi:10.15470/voef1n* could be included in the *Resource citation* section.
* I miss a reference or URL for and just miss a citation or URL for the European Red List of Birds (BirdLife International 2015).
* I recommend to put *Animalia*instead of *Metazoa* (line 179) in the *Taxonomic Rank* section, just to be coherent with the terminology used in the dataset, recomeded by the standard Darwin Core.