

Overview slides

13 January 2026



Datasets ●
119,790

● Hosted portals
58

● Peer-review papers
using data *(1 Sep 2025)*
13,932

● Average records
downloaded per month (2025)
297 billion

● Species
occurrence records
3,598,364,337

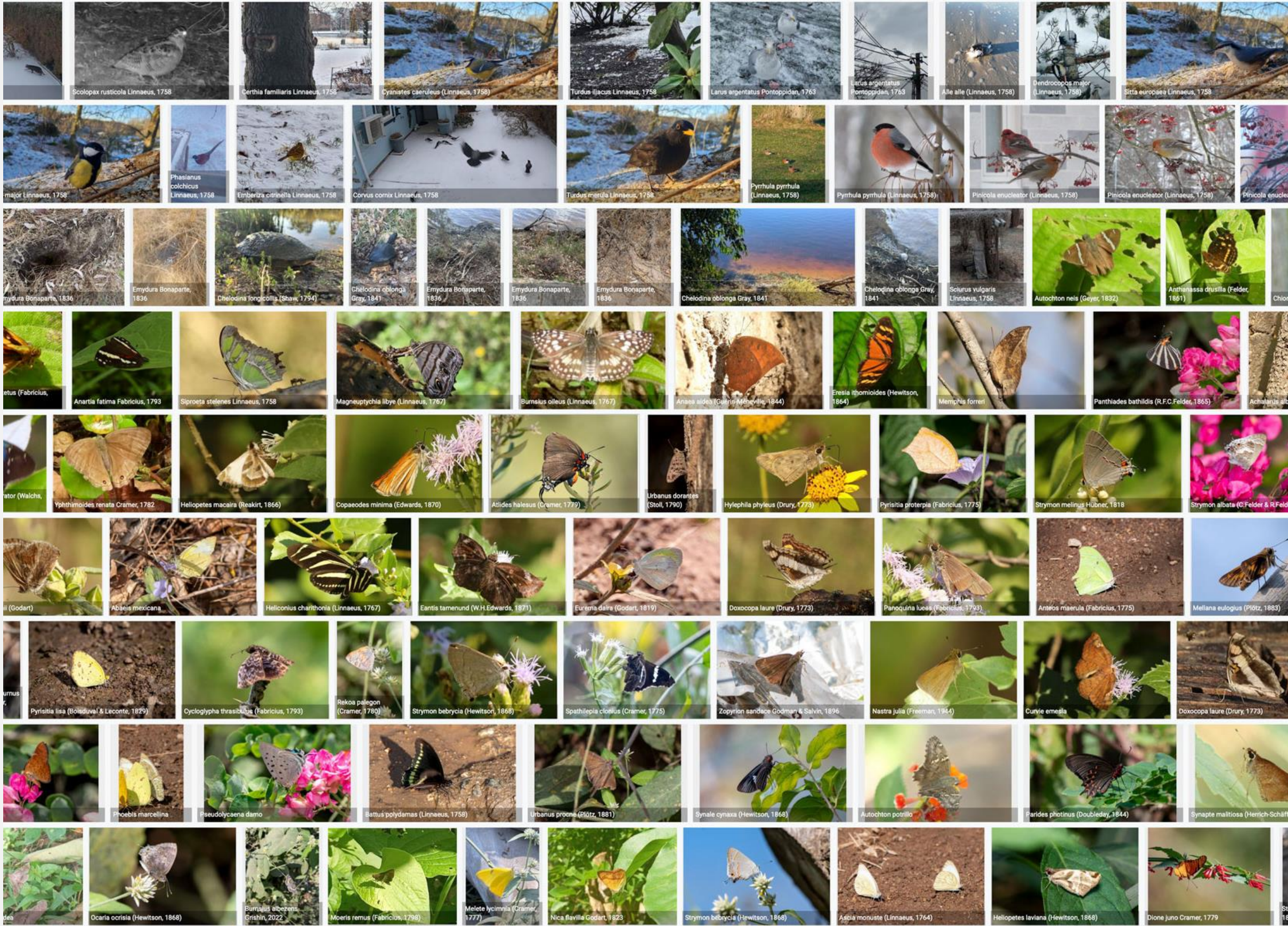
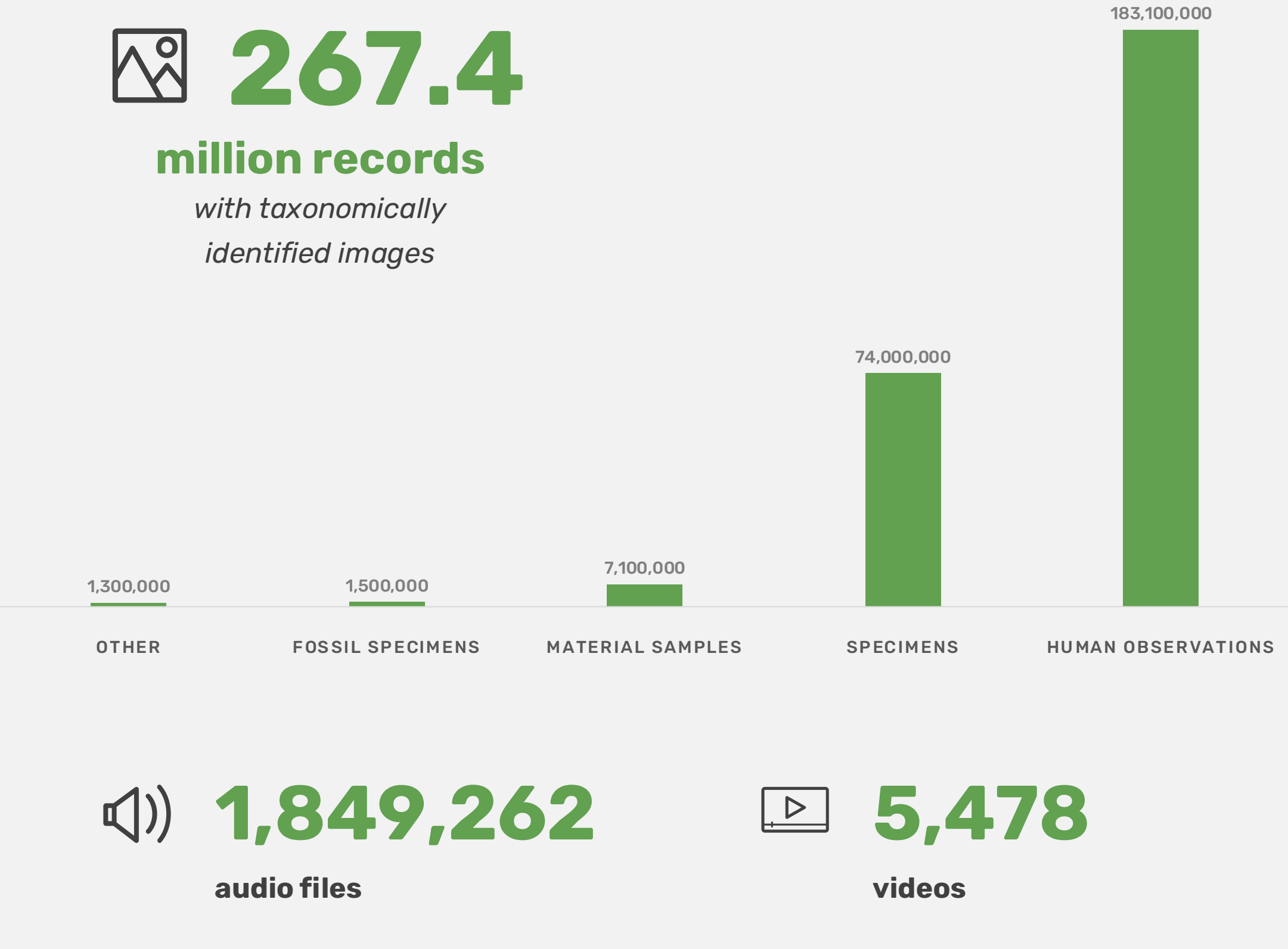
Country
Participants ●
69

Organizational
Participants ●
42



Publishers ●
2,623

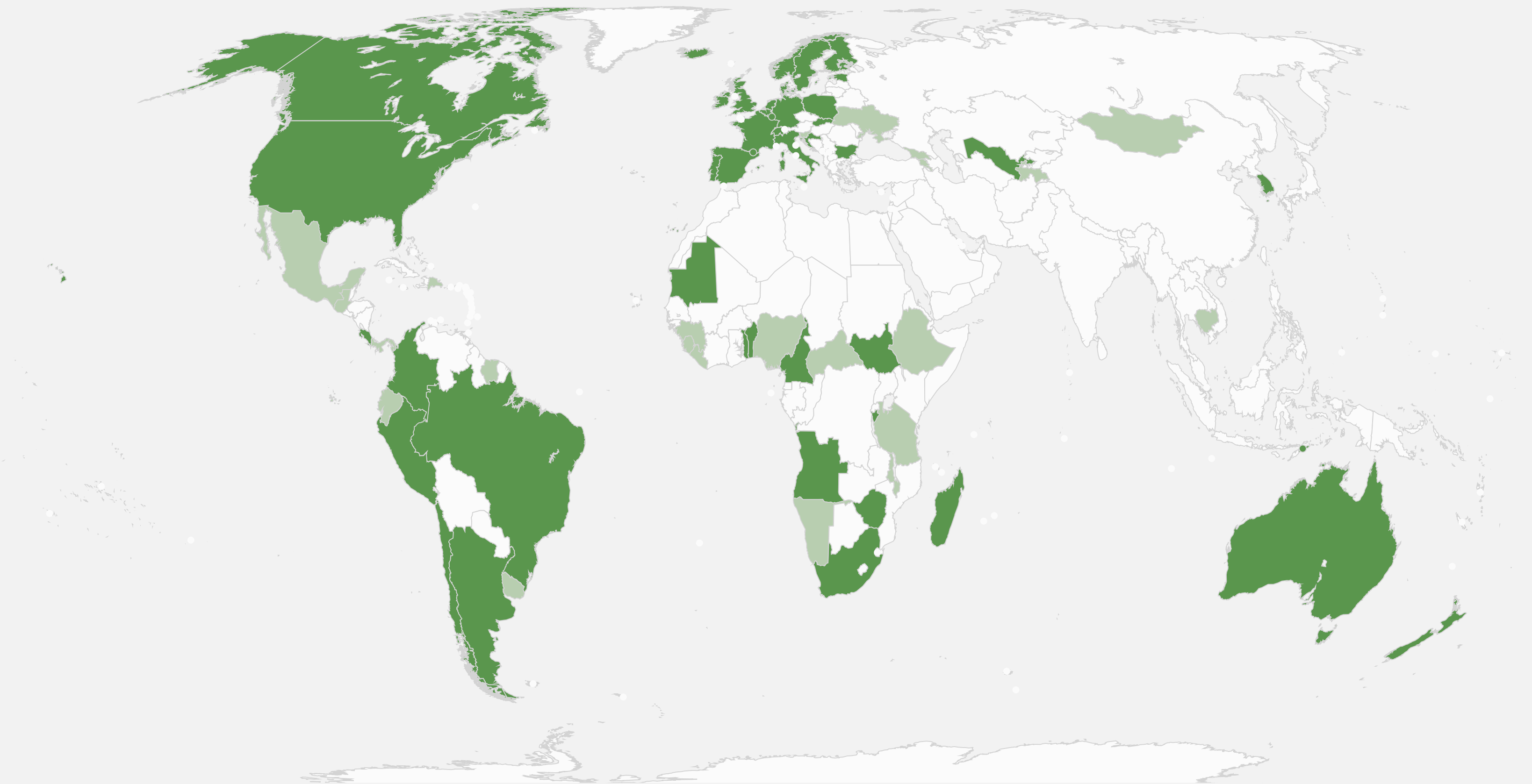


Species occurrence records with multimedia evidence



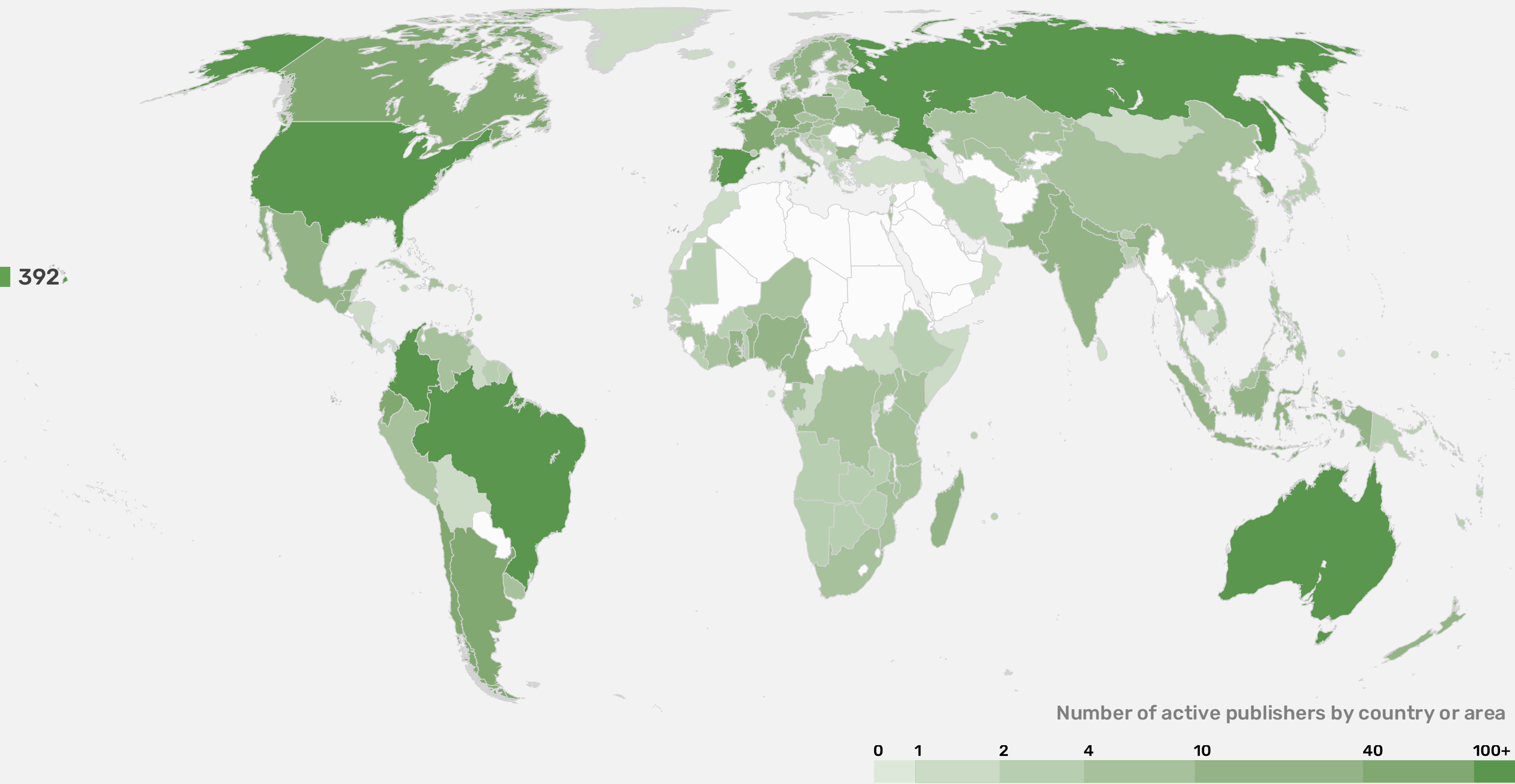
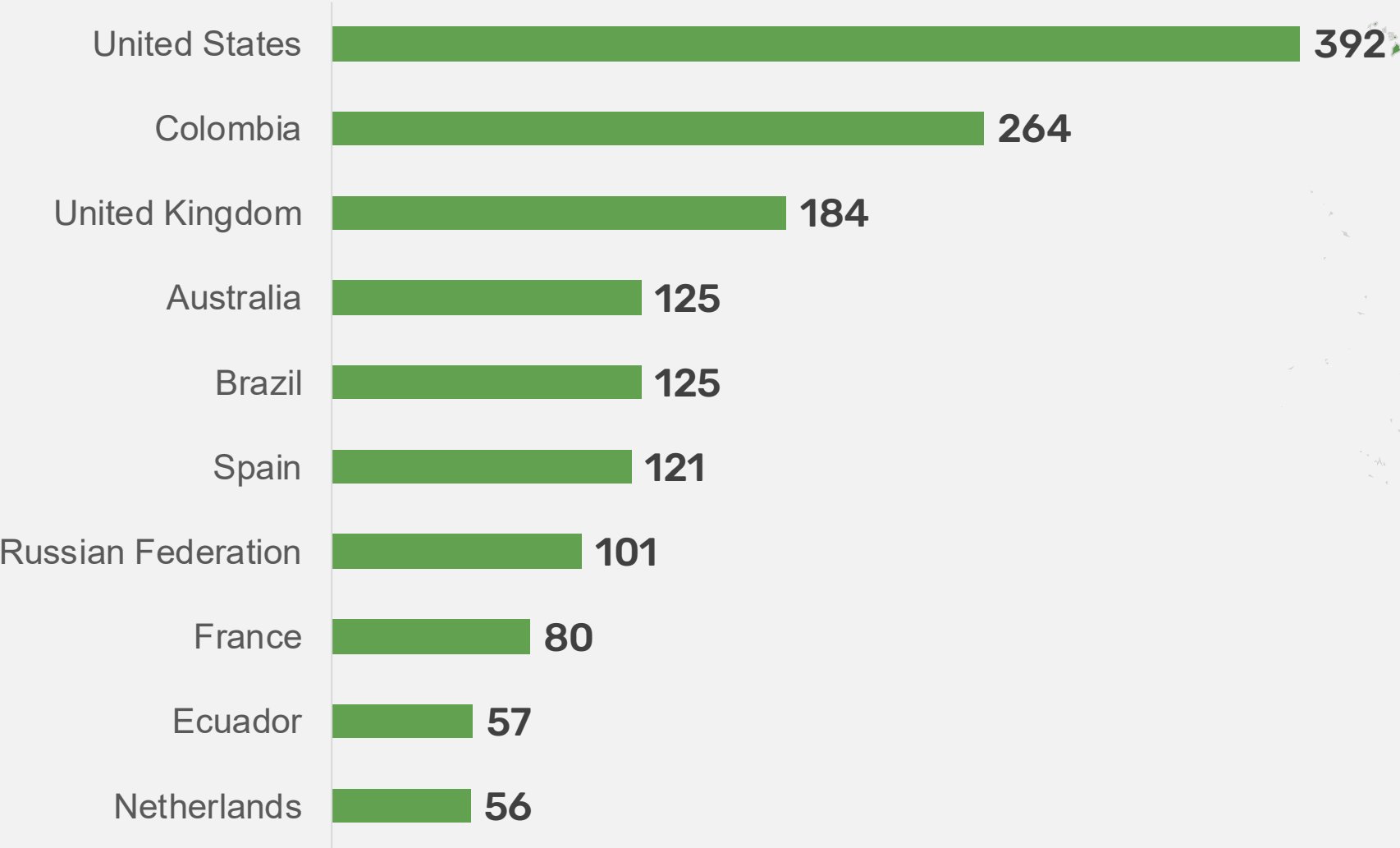
GBIF Participant countries

-  Voting Participants
-  Associate Participants



GBIF network of data publishing institutions

148 countries/areas with institutions sharing data through GBIF



GBIF.org traffic by country: 2025

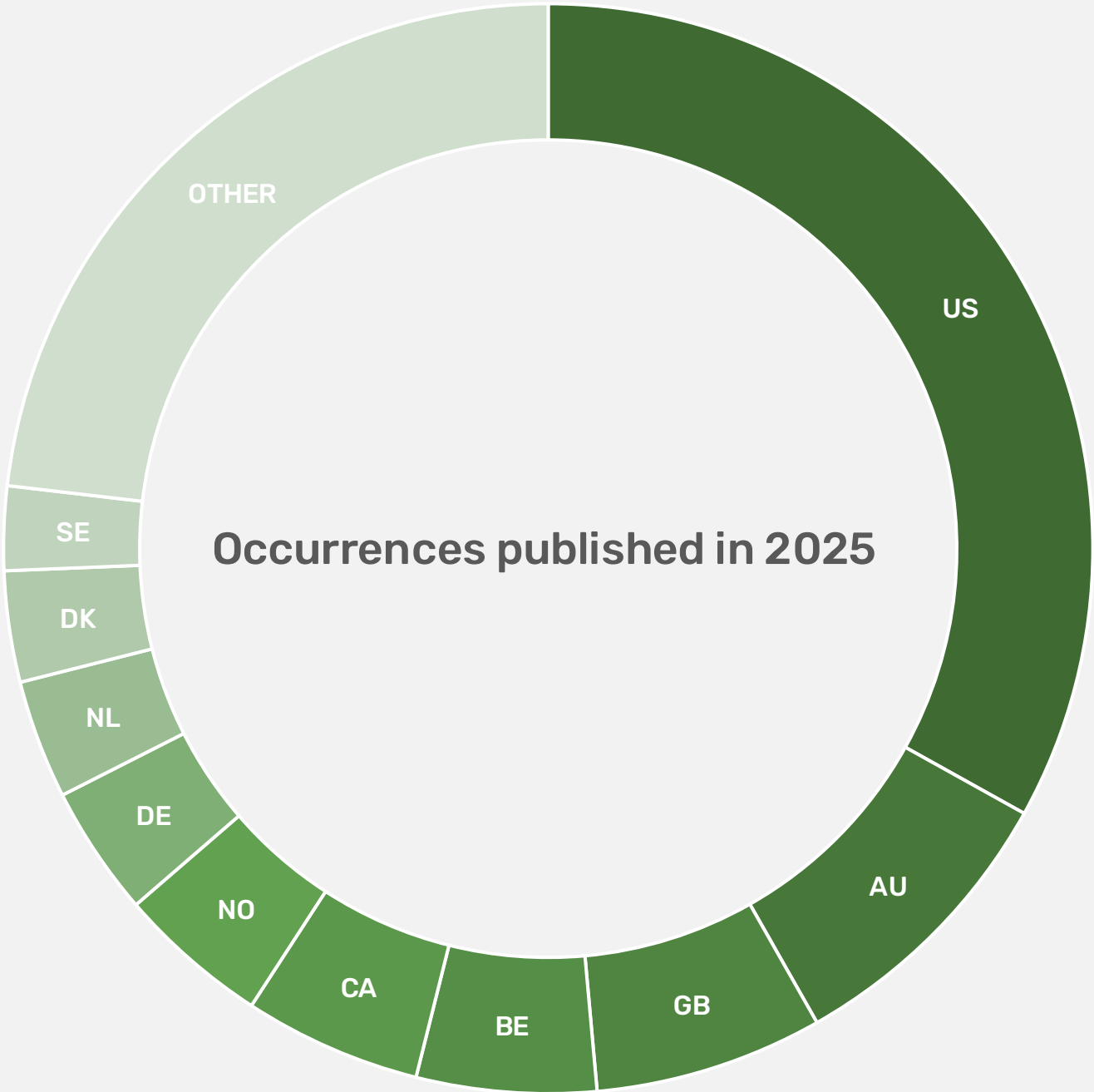
| Rank | Country/Territory | Visitors | Visits | Effective visits* | % Effective visits | 2025 rank | Pages / visit |
|-------|--------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|
| 1 | United States | 13,164,386 | 15,424,793 | 1,850,975 | 9.43 % | 2 | 1.33 |
| 2 | Brazil | 7,694,514 | 8,712,776 | 348,511 | 9.26 % | 6 | 1.22 |
| 3 | India | 2,230,857 | 2,454,959 | 171,847 | 5.24 % | 10 | 1.44 |
| 4 | China | 2,009,286 | 3,740,583 | 486,276 | 4.84 % | 1 | 2.44 |
| 5 | Argentina | 935,800 | 1,072,476 | 64,349 | 4.63 % | 21 | 1.28 |
| 6 | Indonesia | 676,600 | 786,614 | 212,386 | 4.60 % | 5 | 3.41 |
| 7 | Mexico | 656,829 | 750,293 | 157,562 | 4.39 % | 9 | 2.67 |
| 8 | Singapore | 624,386 | 638,269 | 12,765 | 4.19 % | 13 | 1.18 |
| 9 | France | 614,300 | 709,566 | 227,061 | 3.42 % | 4 | 3.77 |
| 10 | Russian Federation | 610,043 | 713,214 | 99,850 | 2.19 % | 14 | 2.51 |
| TOTAL | | 38,585,543 | 45,911,857 | 6,427,660 | 100.00% | | 1.97 |

SOURCE: Plausible.io. * Effective visits = total visits - (total visits x bounce rate)



Occurrences published by country: 2025

| Rank | Country/Territory | 2025 | 2024 total | 2024 rank |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | United States | 203,021,107 | 158,323,230 | 1 |
| 2 | Australia | 53,466,496 | 14,003,238 | 6 |
| 3 | United Kingdom | 41,629,288 | 12,937,909 | 7 |
| 4 | Belgium | 32,755,821 | 5,800,027 | 13 |
| 5 | Canada | 32,338,096 | 22,530,126 | 5 |
| 6 | Norway | 27,575,496 | 4,061,537 | 17 |
| 7 | Germany | 23,745,033 | 3,012,732 | 22 |
| 8 | Netherlands | 21,639,084 | 25,251,708 | 4 |
| 9 | Denmark | 20,223,341 | 3,440,155 | 18 |
| 10 | Sweden | 15,314,346 | 25,696,306 | 3 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES + AREAS | | 142,119,486 | 97,322,395 | |
| TOTAL | | 613,827,594 | 428,451,251 | |

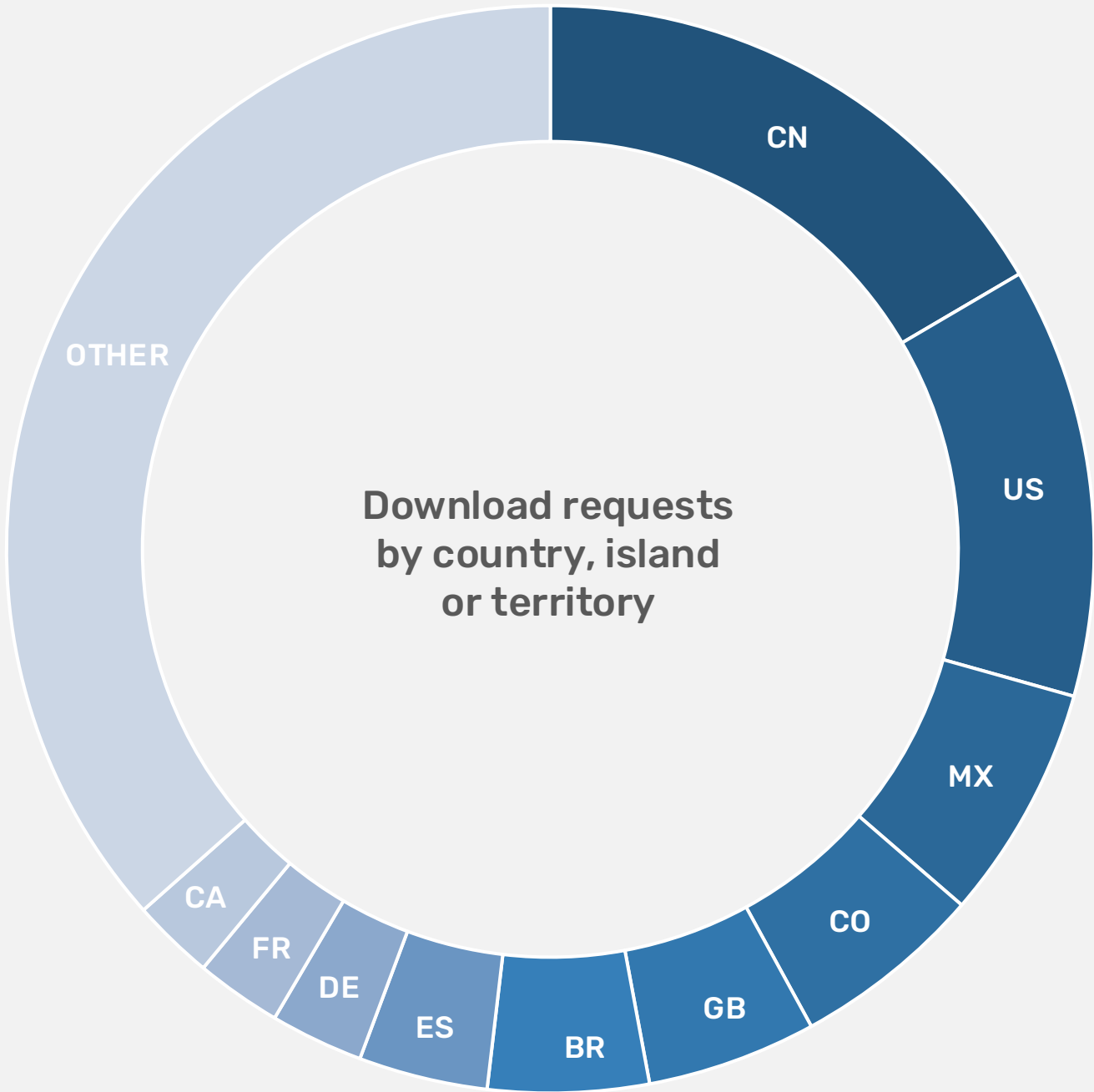


Data download requests by country: 2025

| Rank | Country | 2025 | 2024 total | 2024 rank |
|-------------------------|----------------|---------|------------|-----------|
| 1 | China | 65,697 | 63,485 | 1 |
| 2 | United States | 50,845 | 41,921 | 2 |
| 3 | Mexico | 27,758 | 29,712 | 3 |
| 4 | Colombia | 22,565 | 21,247 | 5 |
| 5 | United Kingdom | 20,018 | 21,641 | 7 |
| 6 | Brazil | 18,988 | 14,704 | 4 |
| 7 | Spain | 15,230 | 13,502 | 6 |
| 8 | Germany | 10,991 | 8,558 | 10 |
| 9 | France | 10,142 | 7,248 | 9 |
| 10 | Canada | 9,678 | 8,946 | 8 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES + AREAS | | 145,074 | 115,002 | |
| TOTAL | | 396,986 | 347,717 | |

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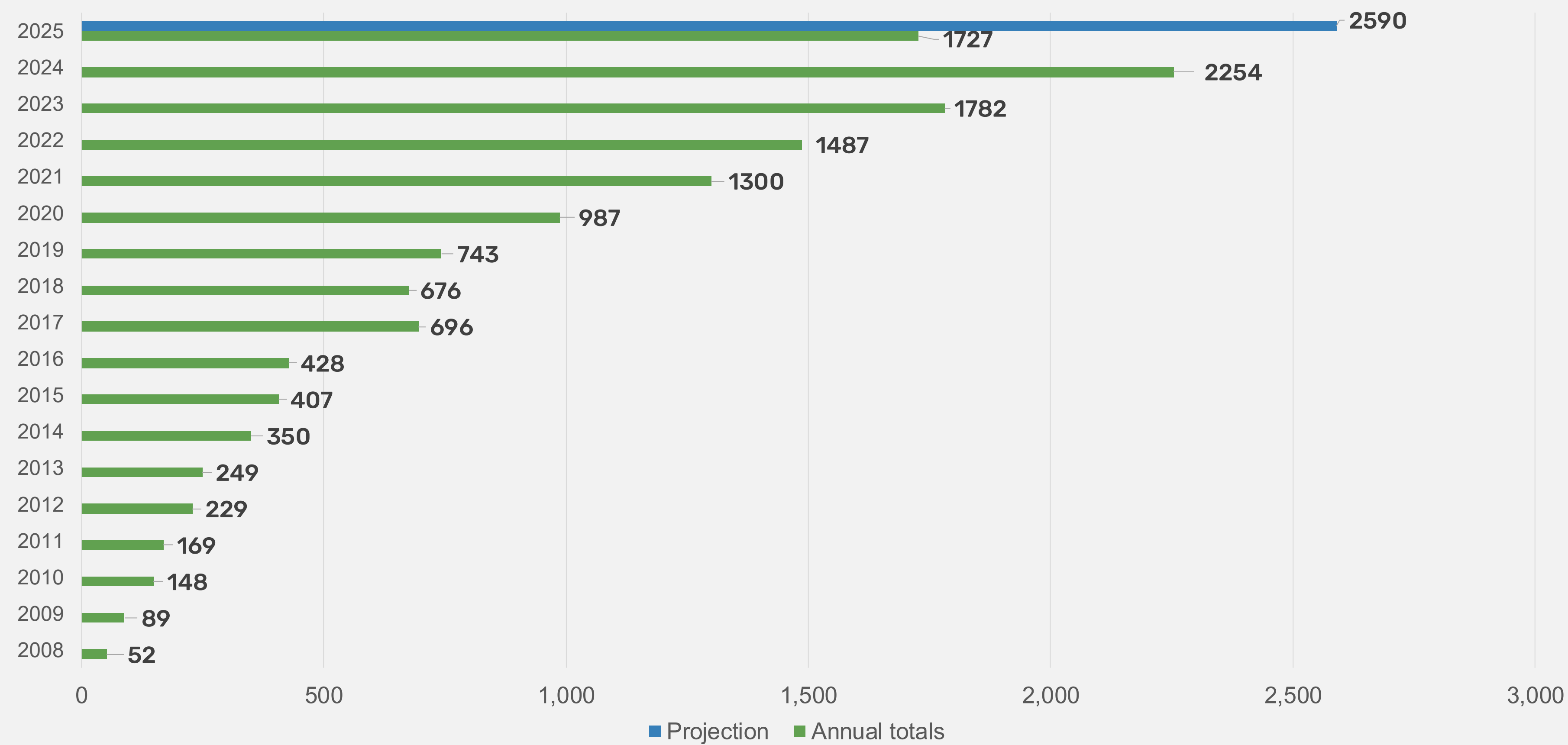
countries, islands & territories where users have ≥5 requested downloads in 2025



SOURCE: GBIF.org infrastructure. Downloads adjusted to remove outlier users with >500 downloads for Jan-Dec 2025



Peer-reviewed publications using GBIF-mediated data

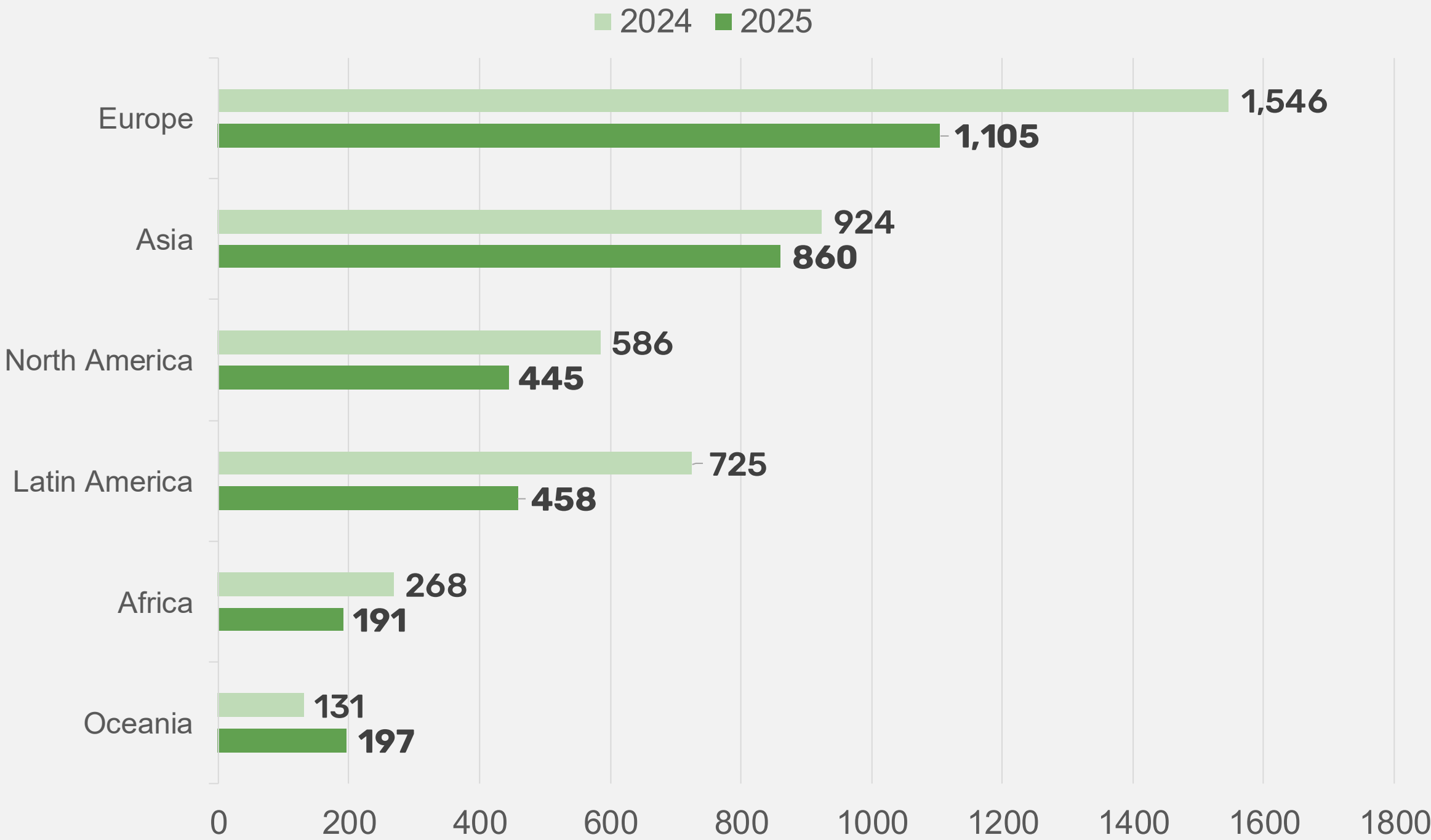


Data use in peer-reviewed journals: 2025

Peer-reviewed uses by country

| End of Year | | 2025 total | 2024 total | 2024 rank |
|-------------|----------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| 1 | China | 523 | 529 | 1 |
| 2 | United States | 358 | 486 | 2 |
| 3 | Brazil | 166 | 238 | 3 |
| 4 | United Kingdom | 152 | 186 | 5 |
| 5 | Germany | 131 | 186 | 6 |
| 6 | Spain | 112 | 171 | 7 |
| 7 | Mexico | 90 | 186 | 4 |
| 8 | Canada | 87 | 100 | 11 |
| 9 | Australia | 82 | 104 | 10 |
| 10 | India | 73 | 78 | 12 |

Peer-reviewed uses by region



Suggestions reviewed
3,088

Countries
128

Country editors
69

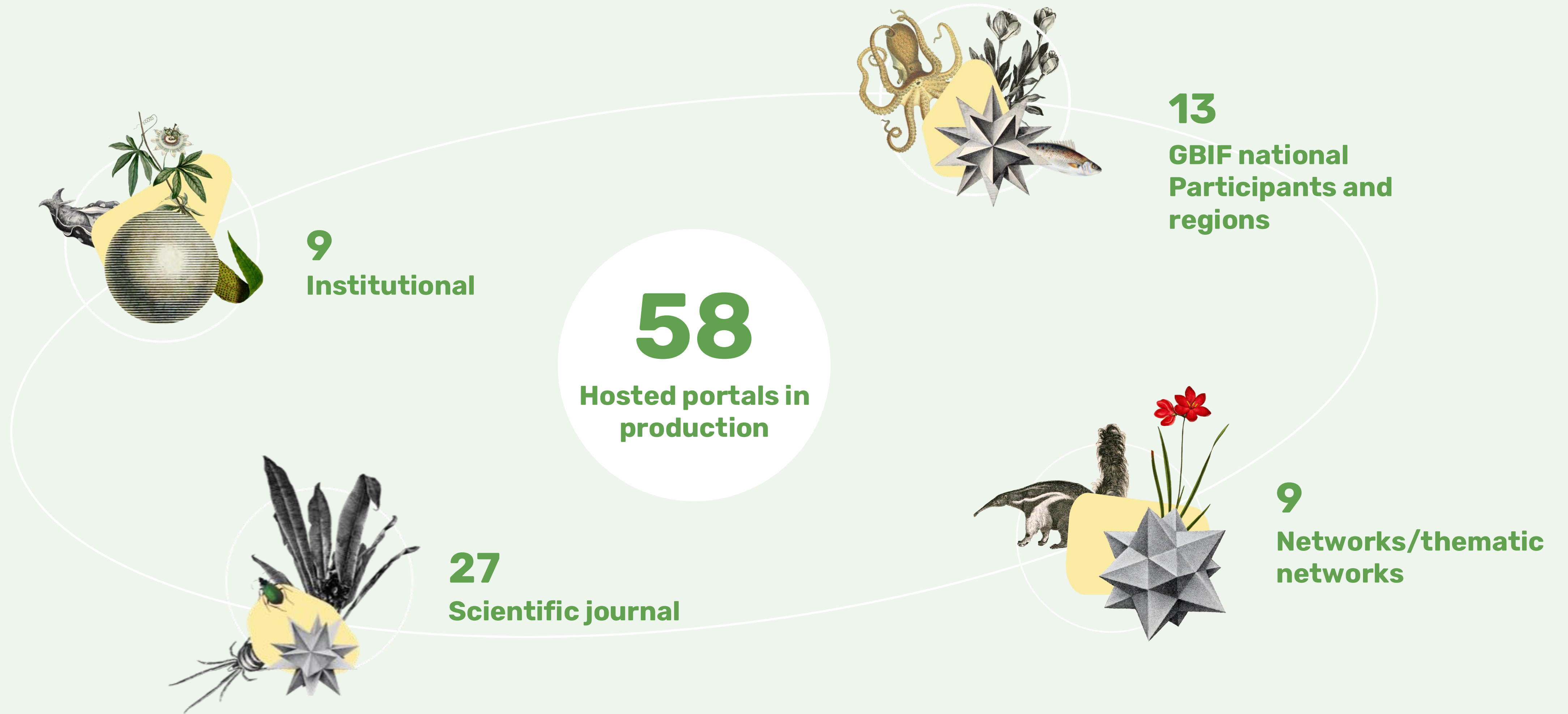
Institutions
8,915

Collections
10,602

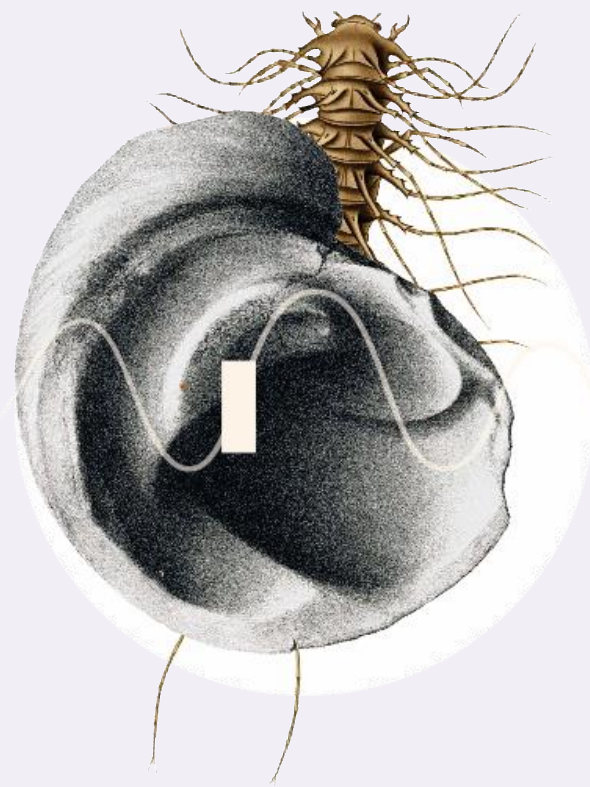
Digitized specimens
264,745,092



Hosted portals update

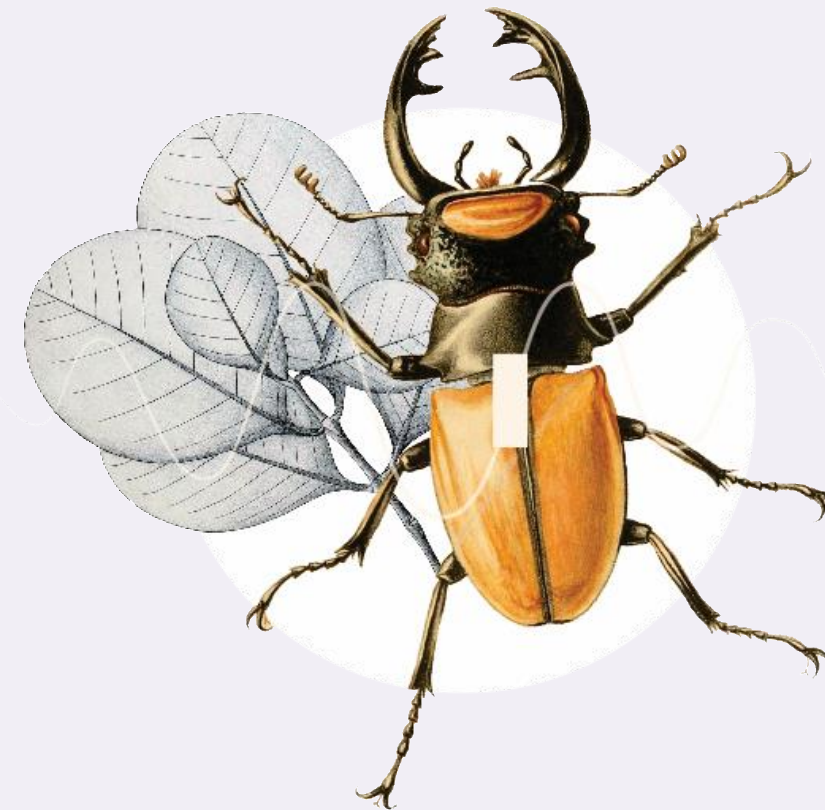


Metabarcoding data programme



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Datasets



57,376,184

Records



20

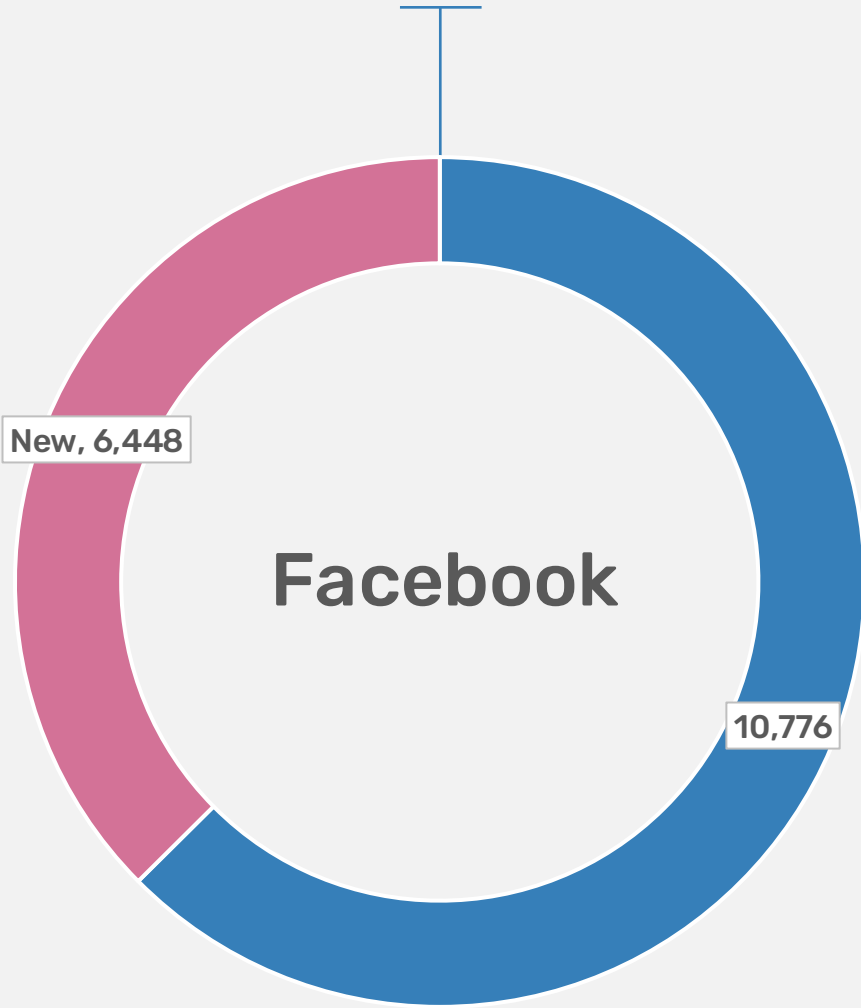
Installations



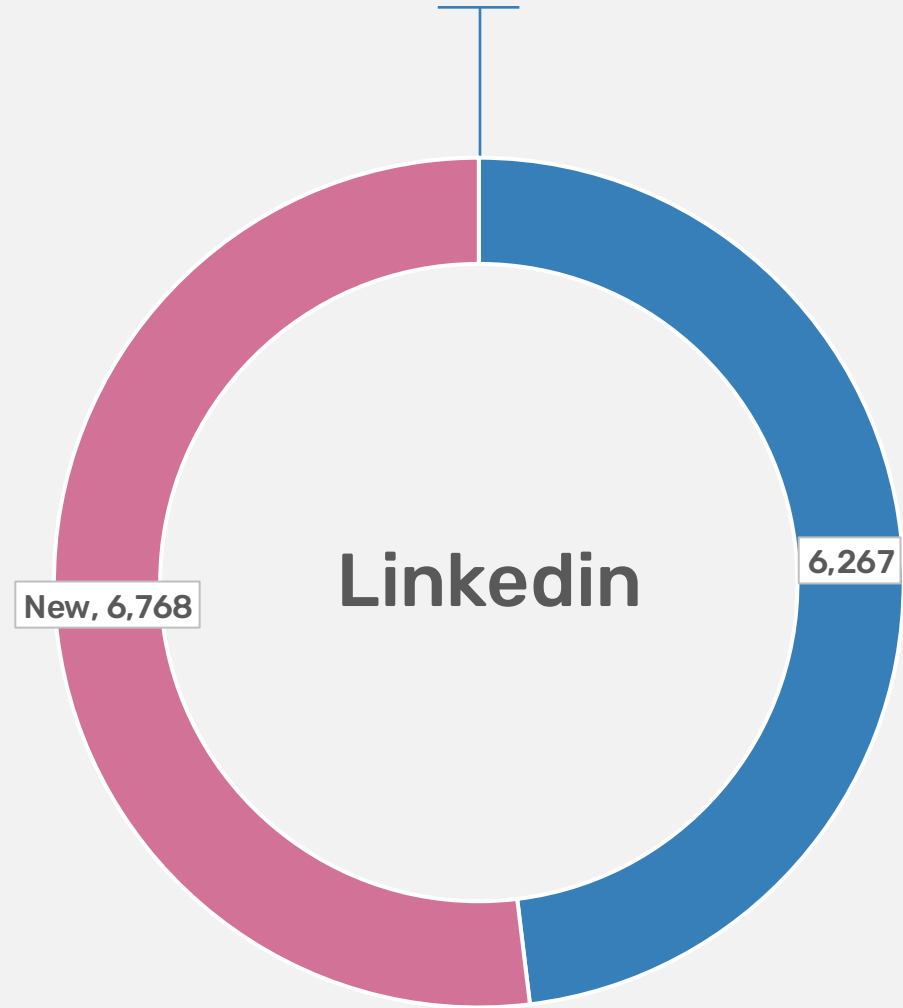
Social media

FOLLOWERS

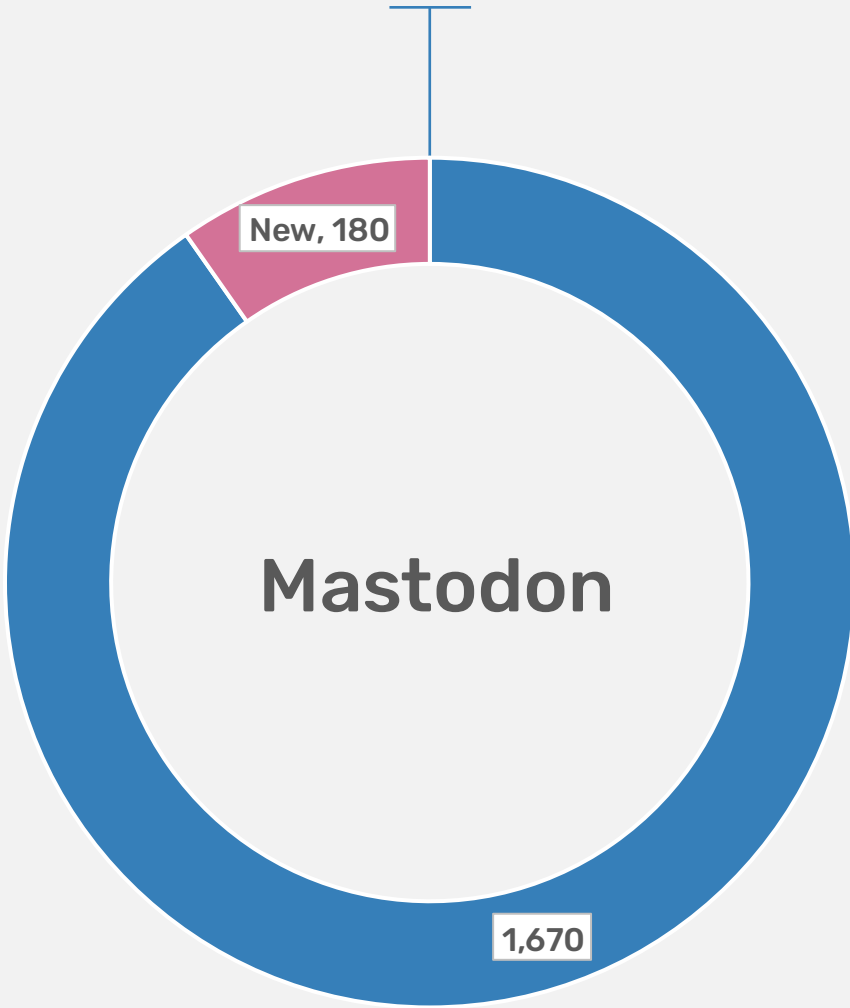
17,224



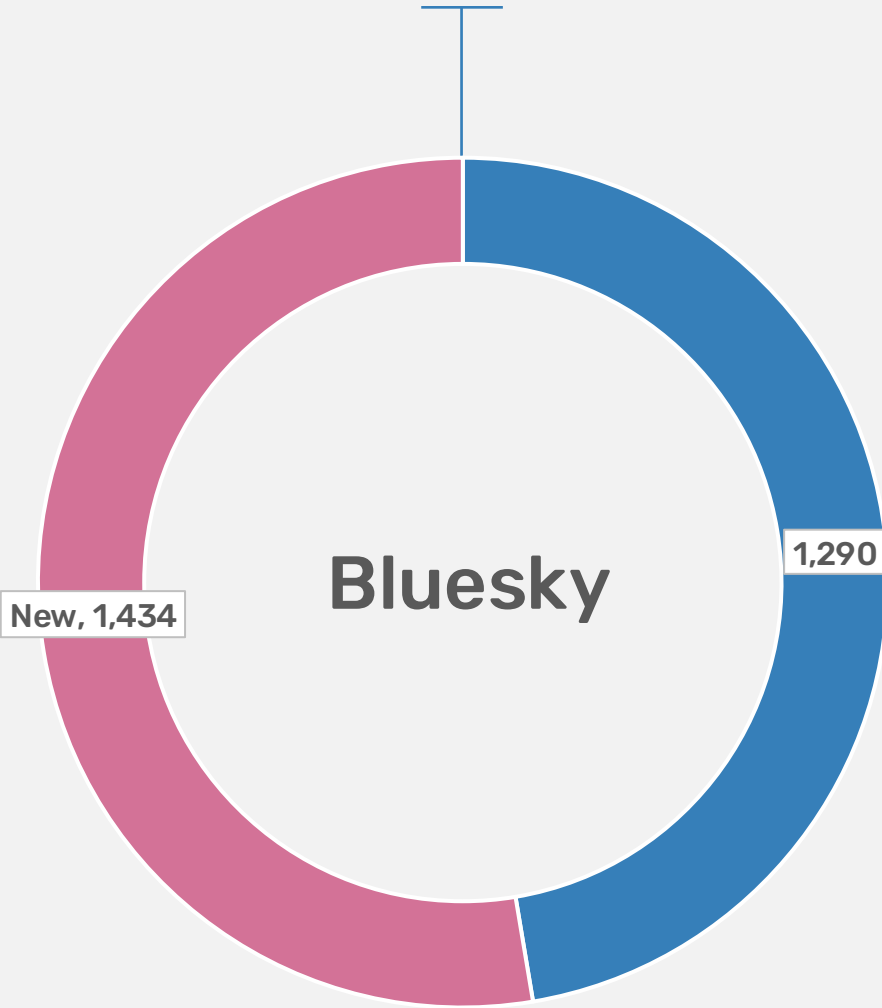
13,035



1,850



2,724



POSTS

298

ENGAGEMENTS

16,091

293

11,449

355

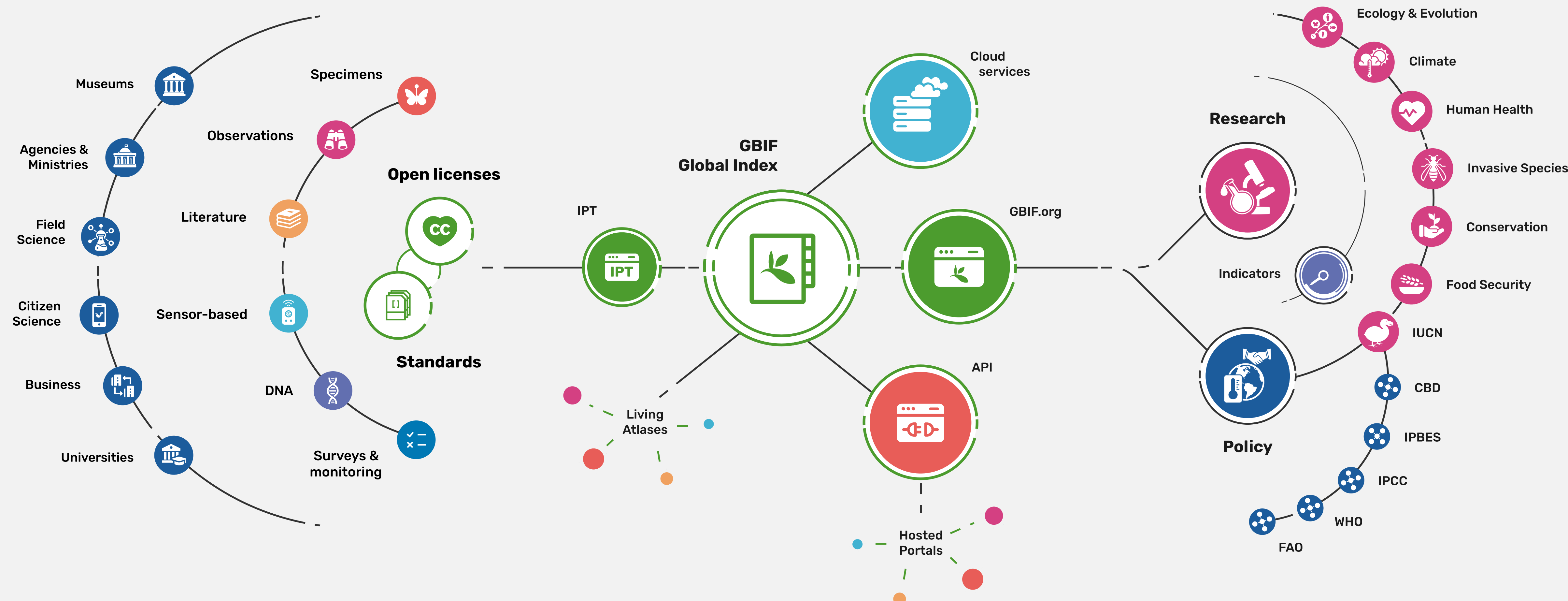
1,927

317

3,259



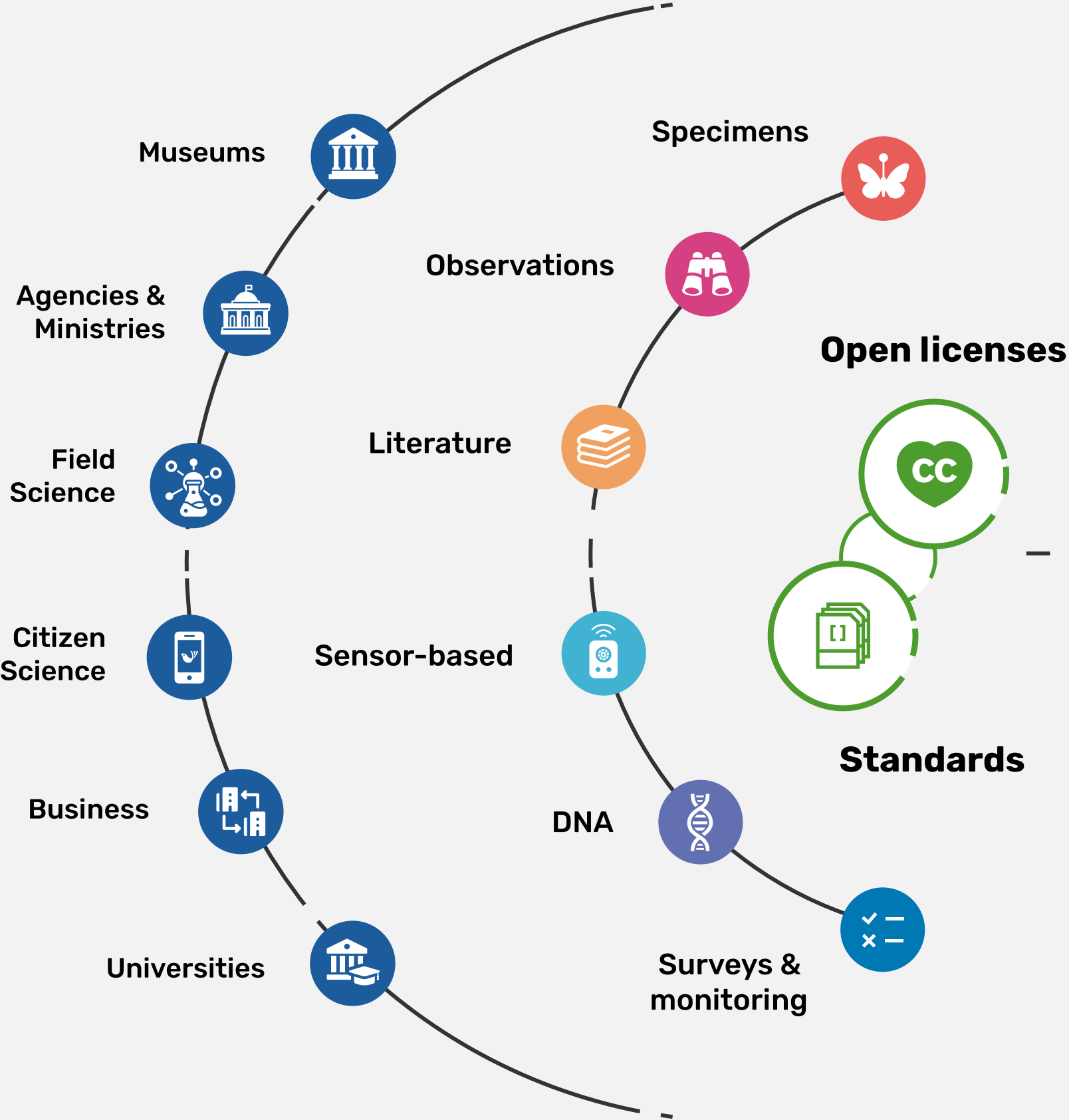
Providing biodiversity evidence for research and policy



Sources of biodiversity evidence

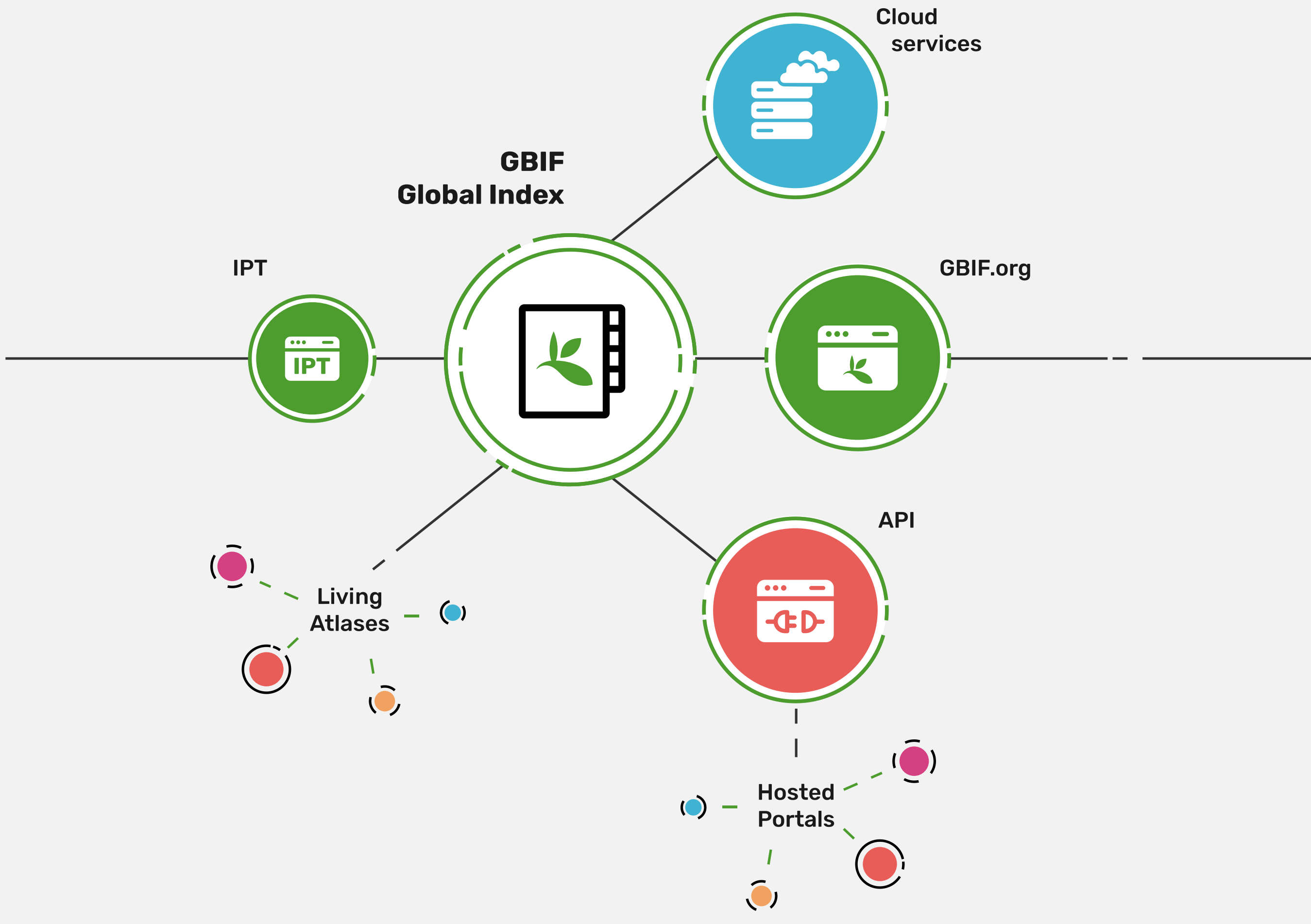
Create

Combine sources
of evidence



Access to biodiversity evidence

Share
FAIR and open access



Uses of biodiversity evidence

Transform

Apply and use data

