

Buddy Challenges:


Connect, Share, and Celebrate!

These challenges are designed to help you connect, share knowledge, and celebrate your time together at the Global Nodes Events 2025.

If you only have time for one challenge:

- ☐ **Become a Matchmaker** 🗨️: Invest a few moments to learn about your buddies' professional or personal interests. Then, introduce them to someone in your existing network who could share that interest or potentially support their work.

If you have a few minutes more:

- ☐ **Capture the Moment** 📸: Snap a group selfie with all your buddies. Share it with your group to celebrate your time together, and/or upload it at gbif.link/gn2025-selfies to share with the wider community. 
- ☐ **Pick Your Alter Ego** 🦊: Imagine you could be one of these: a **versatile fungus**, a **resilient tardigrade**, a **friendly capybara**, or a **resourceful raven**. Tell your buddies which one you'd choose and, most importantly, why.
- ☐ **Count Your 'Hats'** 🎩: Discuss with your buddies to discover and total how many different **roles** your group collectively plays within the GBIF community (e.g., reviewers, trainers, mentors, regional representatives, committee members, translators, open data ambassadors, task group members, etc.).
- ☐ **"Did You Know?"** 💡: Share the most useful **tip or trick** you've recently discovered for maximizing your use of **GBIF.org**—or any of GBIF's clubs or services—that is relevant to your work.
- ☐ **Mood Compass Check** 📍: Use the printouts on your table for **each person** to mark their own **mood and energy** level at the start and/or end of the day. This helps everyone check in individually.

