



## Speed dating networking activity

Virtual Global Nodes Meeting 2021



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## OBJECTIVES

- To encourage conversations between nodes and increase collaboration within the GBIF network
- To share experiences, lessons learned and best practices
- To share ideas for collaborative projects



## SPEED DATING NETWORKING EVENT

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### LEIDEN 2019

- What type of support do you receive for your node activities?
- What are the main areas of success in resourcing your node's activities / How did you successfully argue the case for GBIF participation?
- What tips and recommendations on resourcing (funding sources, institutional support, support from the local/national/regional network, support from GBIF community, in kind support, etc.) and key areas of success can you share?

# KEY TAKEAWAYS FROM LEIDEN

- Develop your network and establish links with relevant institutes, organizations and international networks (e.g. CBD-CHM)
- Collaborate with other GBIF nodes
- Build trust, be patient, never give up
- Make your node indispensable, communicate GBIF values
- GBIF is good value for money
- Apply for projects inside and outside of the GBIF community
- Be flexible, open to new ideas and innovative
- Diversify funding sources
- Don't stay silent, ask!

Make good contacts with other institutes and organizations

Make your node relevant and 'incontournable'

Apply for projects inside the GBIF community and outside

Make links between the node and the CBD Clearing House Mechanism

3 Tips when talking about money with officials:

- Be patient
- Be persistent
- Be flexible

Never ever give up!

Better coordination of European nodes would create a stronger consortium to apply for European funding

Use bilateral cooperation between governments on science or environment for node/GBIF activities

GBIF is good value for money!

Build trust for success

Aim for both top-down and bottom-up approaches

Combine project based and institutional funding

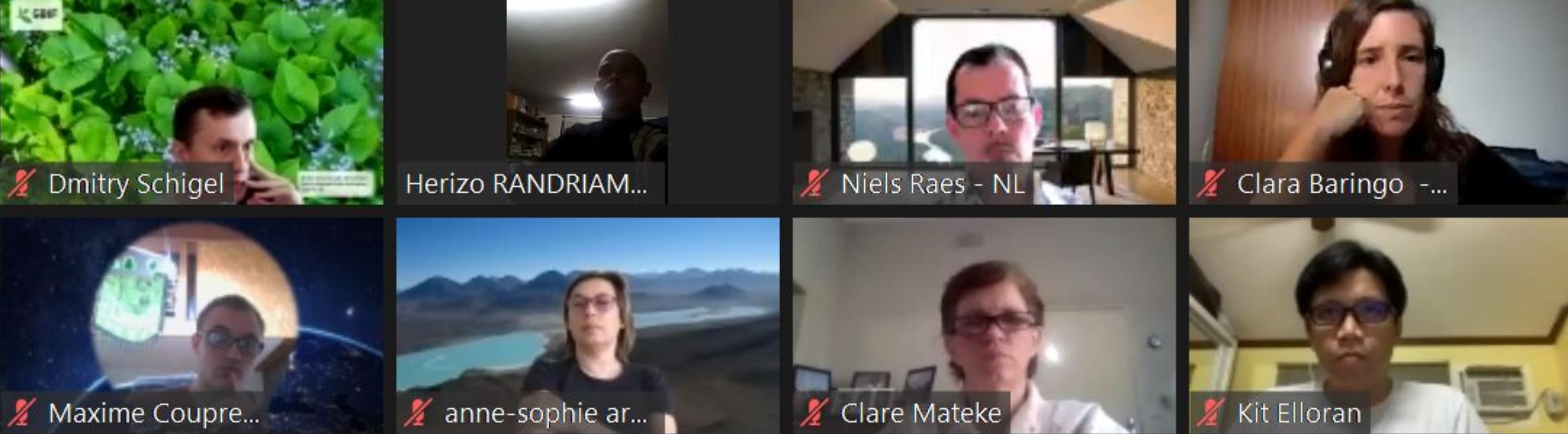
Ask for anything rather than stay silent!

Be innovative - be a 'first'!

Be dynamic

Explain the value to national institutes

Stay flexible with regards to new ideas



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## FORMAT

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- Group of 2 to 3 persons randomly assigned to a breakout room
- 8 minutes for each session
- After 8 minutes, you will be randomly assigned to a new breakout room
- 5 rotations of 8 minutes



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## DIGITAL STICKY NOTES (PADLET)

Share your key takeaways from your various discussions on digital sticky notes:

- Go to [https://padlet.com/mblaursen/Speed\\_dating\\_GNM2021](https://padlet.com/mblaursen/Speed_dating_GNM2021)
- Click on 
- Add your sticky note(s) to the board...
- and Read key takeaways from others

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