



Towards a Dutch National Life Watch Network

Scientific meeting and discussion

10th of June 2008

"Het Trippenhuys", Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW)

Kloveniersburgwal 29, Amsterdam

Draft programme

Chairs: Dr. F. Martens, The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)
Prof. dr. P. Baas, "Biodiversiteitsplatform Nederland"

09:30 Registration + Coffee / Tea

10:00 Welcome by the morning chair
+ short introduction to the programme
+ invitation to express interests and questions with the attached form

10:10 "The Life Watch infrastructure for biodiversity research"
Prof. dr. C. Heip, Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research (NIOZ) &
Netherlands Institute of Ecology (NIOO-KNAW)

10:35 "New approaches for global monitoring of biodiversity"
Dr. R. Guralnick, The University of Colorado at Boulder, USA

11:10 Coffee / Tea

11:40 Introductions to white papers

- The national scientific agenda
- The national societal agenda
- Education and training

Discussion

12:30 Lunch

13:50 Short introduction by the afternoon chair

13:55 "The challenge of creating integrated biodiversity observing systems"
(conceptual title)
Drs. A. Schmidt, Alterra, Wageningen UR, The Netherlands

14:20 Introductions to white papers

- The national data network
- The international agenda
- Strategic considerations
- Organisation of the national network

Discussion

15:10 Coffee / Tea

15:40 Proposed working groups and expressed interest
Summarising results of the meeting

16:30 Closing remarks

Drinks

White Papers

The first Dutch “Life Watch” network meeting is build around a series of white papers dealing with issues that are of importance to the establishment of such a network. Members of the Organising Committee have assembled these papers, providing discussion items and questions:

White paper: The national scientific agenda
Prof. dr. J. Bakker (RUG)
Prof. dr. W. Bouten (UvA)

White paper: The national societal agenda
Prof. dr. H. Siepel (Alterra, Wageningen UR) at the meeting represented by Dr. L. Braat (Alterra, Wageningen UR)
Prof. dr. J. van Groenendael (RU + GA-N)

White paper: Education and training
Prof. dr. W. Bouten (UvA)
Prof. dr. J. van Groenendaal (RU + GA-N)

White paper: The national data network
Dr. C. Hof (NLBIF)
Prof. dr. C. Heip (NIOZ & NIOO-KNAW)

White paper: The international agenda
Drs. W. Los (UvA / Life Watch EU)
Prof. dr. H. Siepel (Alterra, Wageningen UR)

White paper: Strategic considerations
Dr. F. Martens / Dr. J. Dijkhof (NWO)
Drs. W. Los (UvA / Life Watch EU)
Dr. C. Hof (NLBIF)

White paper: Demarcation, tasks and organization of the Dutch Life Watch network
Prof. dr. C. Heip (NIOZ & NIOO-KNAW)
Prof. dr. J. Bakker (RUG)
Dr. F. Martens / Dr. J. Dijkhof (NWO)

The papers will be available at the meeting and digital copies will be distributed in advance and / or made available on-line. (See news section at <http://www.nlbif.nl/>)
The discussions based upon these papers shall provide the fundaments for the further construction of the national Life Watch network.
Participants can express their interest in participation through the attached “Expression of interest” form.
A digital “Expression of interest” form will be available at <http://www.nlbif.nl/> for people not being able to participate in the meeting, but willing to contribute to the construction of the Dutch “Life Watch” network.



Expression of interest form

Your name:

Organisation:

Postal address:

e-mail address:

Telephone:

I want to express interest	Keep me informed	Want to be involved	Prepared to contribute actively
National scientific agenda			
National societal agenda			
Education and training			
National data network			
The international agenda			
Strategic considerations			
Demarcation, tasks and organisation			

Questions or issues to consider

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