

Dear colleagues,

with this statement I would like to illustrate my position on current activities inside CETAF member organizations and my visions for future development of the CETAF body. I wish to contribute following these principles:

Care about the numerous medium and small natural history institutions inside and outside the CETAF consortium.

Monitor global, European and national efforts to build commonly useable Research Infrastructures and understand and thus stimulate establishment of fall-back scenarios for all aspects of biodiversity repositories.

Bridge from single collection objects to the big picture and identify points of common understanding for the ongoing modernization of knowledge transfer.

Spread the message of the necessity of keeping if not strengthening our competence level of organismic research from inside CETAF and reaching out to other domains, esp. humanities, from global to local levels in my region of influence.

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