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## **C6.15 Rattans effectively complete**

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The rattans are climbing palms with long, flexible stems often used to make furniture. There are over 600 species of rattans distributed in 13 genera. The Palm Exemplar Group of WP6 initially set the target to compile original publications and taxonomic treatments for all the taxa in this economically important group of palms. This target has been met within the limitations imposed by copyright issues. Over 75% rattan protologues and over 50% rattan revisions have been compiled, and a large proportion of them are already available in the portal Palmweb. The remaining ones will be processed as permission to use is obtained from copyright holders.

When considering all the accepted palm species, figures of compiled material are: over 65 % protologues and around 30% revisions. In addition images have been compiled for almost 40% of all current palm species.