

2010 Biodiversity Year Special Events

Some proposals.

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Currently planned MNHN activities

Public Awareness and outreach on the upcoming **Madagascar / Mozambique** ATBI expedition.(2009)

Photographs exhibitions

Lectures

Media events, websites fora

Book and films...

Currently planned MNHN activities

Collection of published essays, starting 2009 (Flammarion publisher). MNHN is lead editor. Could be translated and available in other European countries.

Are we now experiencing the sixth major extinction event?

Why should we safeguard biodiversity?

Can Man create biodiversity? New domestic species?

Can you own a species? (tbc)...

Currently planned MNHN activities

A new gallery dedicated for kids and biodiversity

450 M2

Urban biodiversity

Rivers

Forest

Opening december 2009



Currently planned MNHN activities

Darwin 2009

Various events

(Photographic Exhibition, lectures, symposium...)

Currently planned MNHN activities

Exhibition

“Derniers Géants”: the KT crisis.

includes a section on palaeontological taxonomy.

Suggestions for possible joint activities for 2010

Preliminary note:

At the European level, we cannot harmonise a major travelling exhibition in time for 2010; we should focus our attentions on other means of communication or more flexible travelling or duplicated exhibitions /events

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New explorer series:

Children's publication(s) (illustrated ? Comics?) on taxonomy as an occupation for the future .

When I am... an explorer

When I am ... a collector

When I am ...an expert

When I am ...a scuba diver/ ...a canopy rider/ ... a caving explorer...

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Children's parliament:

Select children across several European countries, through various competitions (media partnership) or school networks (public partnerships) and offer them a tour of major research and teaching sites in the EU.

Then **bring them together and let them discuss** : (tbd).

The role of collections and associated jobs

Investigating nature in the future (expeditions, technologies, monitoring...)

Biodiversity as a legacy.



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Short films

for web diffusion, public areas and halls of permanent and temporary exhibitions.

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Travelling conferences
Topics to be discussed



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Originally proposed by E. Nic Lughadha (RBGK), CBD Consortium for Science policy

Exhibition

Taxonomy for 2010

Simultaneous small exhibition (posters) with a common graphic design, common standard text and a possibility to adapt text and pictures to each institution.

Would focus on taxonomic efforts to monitor and safeguard biodiversity for the 2010 objectives.

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Travelling focus exhibition

Understanding nature: new technologies, new methods
Demonstrating the modernity of taxonomy, including:

Barcoding,
Megasequencing,
Animal sound research,
New imaging technology,
Global database facilities, etc.





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