Q1 Did you attend Biodiversity_Next in Leiden, Netherlands?
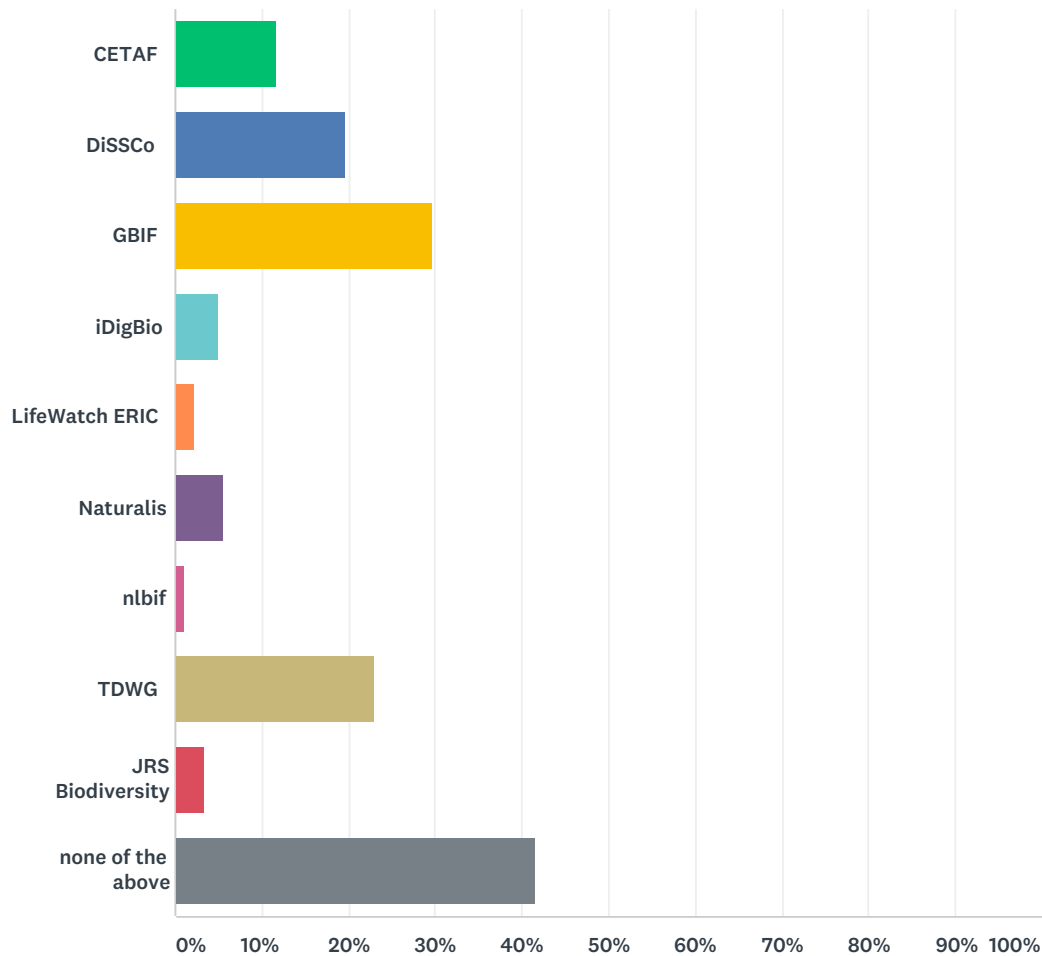
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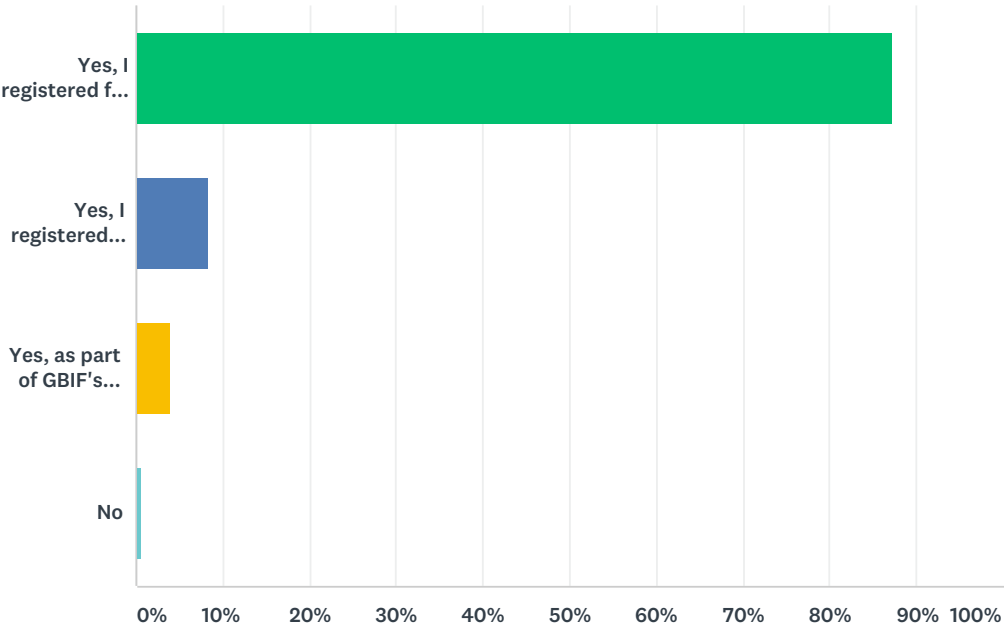
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, I registered for the entire meeting	87.15%	156
Yes, I registered daily	8.38%	15
Yes, as part of GBIF's delegation only	3.91%	7
No	0.56%	1
TOTAL		179

Q2 Which of the organizer or partner organizations are you a member or have an affiliation?
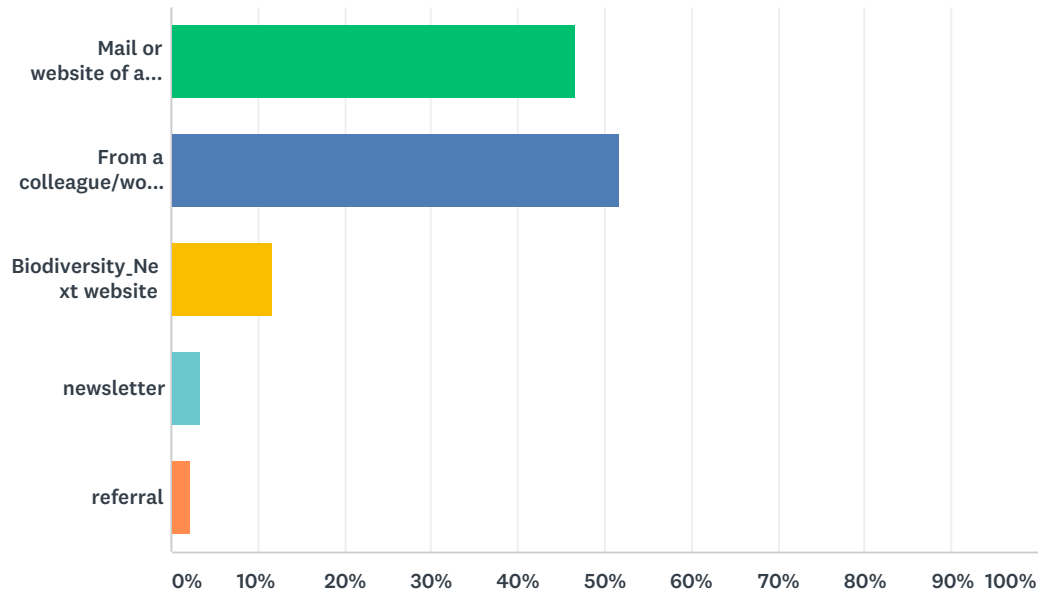
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
CETAF	11.80%	21
DiSSCo	19.66%	35
GBIF	29.78%	53
iDigBio	5.06%	9
LifeWatch ERIC	2.25%	4
Naturalis	5.62%	10
nlbif	1.12%	2
TDWG	23.03%	41
JRS Biodiversity	3.37%	6
none of the above	41.57%	74

Total Respondents: 178

# Q3 How did you learn about Biodiversity_Next?

Answered: 178   Skipped: 1

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mail or website of a co-organizer (e.g., CETAF, TDWG, GBIF)	46.63%	83
From a colleague/work partner	51.69%	92
Biodiversity_Next website	11.80%	21
newsletter	3.37%	6
referral	2.25%	4
Total Respondents: 178		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Announce in TDWG 2018 meeting	11/27/2019 7:21 AM
2	through ORF BDU subproject Regional Network for Biodiversity Information Management and Reporting (BIMR2)	11/26/2019 11:05 AM
3	Most of these channels.	11/22/2019 12:30 PM
4	Through ICEDIG partners	11/22/2019 12:05 PM
5	one of the folks organizing the meeting	11/15/2019 4:10 PM
6	part of TDWG executive and follow up organisation	11/12/2019 11:30 AM
7	Programme Committee	11/8/2019 9:42 AM
8	Co-organiser	11/6/2019 9:38 PM
9	Terra Viva grant Website	11/6/2019 1:35 PM
10	Within a GIZ regional subproject ,,Biodiversity information management and reporting 2"	11/6/2019 12:20 PM
11	Twitter	11/6/2019 11:19 AM
12	Announcement at TDWG meeting 2018	11/6/2019 10:48 AM

Q4 Please choose the main reasons (max. 3) for attending Biodiversity_Next

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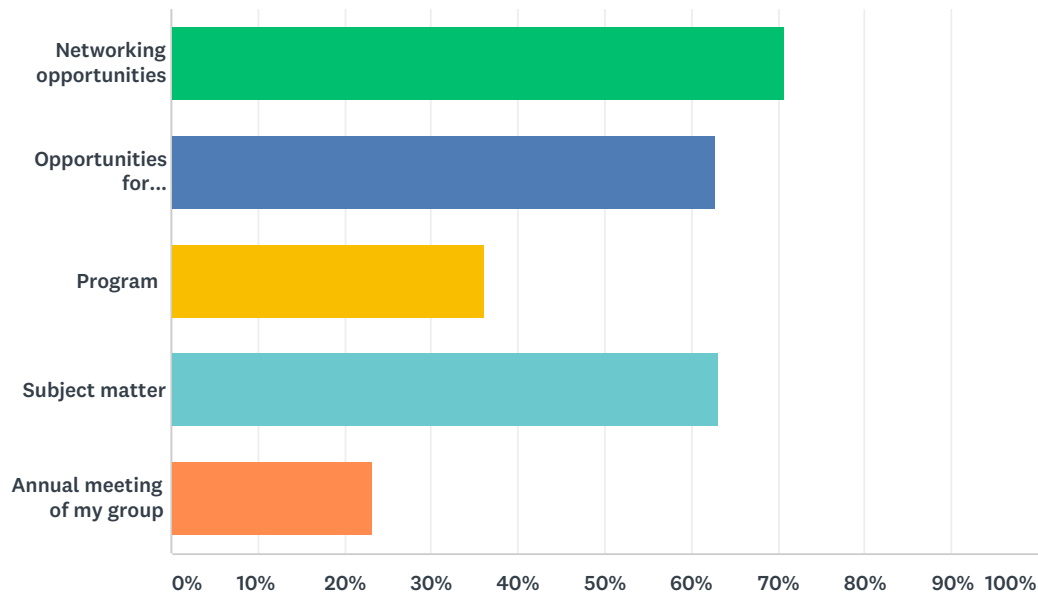
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Networking opportunities	70.62%	125
Opportunities for collaboration	62.71%	111
Program	36.16%	64
Subject matter	63.28%	112
Annual meeting of my group	23.16%	41
Total Respondents: 177		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	gathering experience and knowledge of Biodiversity Information Systems	11/26/2019 11:08 AM
2	so that some of our it people in addition to biologists went	11/24/2019 8:46 PM
3	To get a closer look at the type of security measures that was put in place by the different organizers to ensure biodiversity data shared was open yet remained secured and authentic	11/24/2019 3:06 AM
4	News in Citizen Science	11/22/2019 3:46 PM
5	Also as presenter.	11/22/2019 12:31 PM
6	I wanted to present our joint work with GBIF	11/22/2019 12:13 PM
7	organizing symposium and presenting status quo	11/14/2019 5:03 PM
8	Most importantly: we were instructed to post abstracts, and since by presentation was accepted I went (usually I avoid travel..)	11/8/2019 10:10 AM
9	Presenting the outcome of a project	11/7/2019 4:20 PM
10	Learning more about biodiversity informatics (it's not my direct field)	11/7/2019 12:32 PM
11	Presenting/ sharing our work	11/7/2019 8:33 AM

12	Technical watch	11/6/2019 4:38 PM
13	Presenting my research	11/6/2019 2:14 PM
14	Learn and share	11/6/2019 1:10 PM
15	I head also to attend the GBIF node managers training and Global node managers meeting that preceded the conference. I had also to meet people of different expertise in biodiversity Bioinformatics and learn from what they are doing,and in addition share, the little experience that I have so that they can get inspired	11/6/2019 12:20 PM
16	request by session organizer to present	11/6/2019 11:47 AM
17	Workshop	11/6/2019 10:37 AM

Q5 A Code of Conduct for the conference is still new to many in our community and we hope that its presence raised awareness in a positive way. New this year was an online form that could be used in addition to or instead of bringing up an issue to a person. What did you think of the availability of the Code and an online form for the conference? Are there other issues that you think need to be addressed in the Code?

Answered: 96   Skipped: 83

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I was very pleasantly surprised by this initiative	12/4/2019 12:07 PM
2	Highly important having a Code of Conduct, well done!!	12/3/2019 1:58 PM
3	I don't have any issue about the Code of Conducte	11/28/2019 11:29 PM
4	The Code of conduct is nice - but not among my main concerns/interests.	11/28/2019 12:10 PM
5	I didnt look at it	11/26/2019 12:36 PM
6	Online form is OK	11/26/2019 11:08 AM
7	The code of conduct for the conference is perfect as it ensures orderliness etc, and the online form was very timely and a great idea to save ample time for the conference	11/26/2019 8:45 AM
8	The code & its availability were a great idea!	11/25/2019 3:55 PM
9	Found it important and helpful.	11/25/2019 1:59 PM
10	Hadn't even seen it. Didn't think it would be a necessity, but if it is...	11/25/2019 1:37 PM
11	It's good as it is	11/25/2019 10:06 AM
12	Nope... but I did not read very closely	11/25/2019 9:48 AM
13	I think that was truly an impressive and effective way of quickly addressing participants' concerns so bravo to the effort. Sadly I didn't get to use it but look forward to doing so next time. As such, I can't suggest any major improvements.	11/24/2019 3:06 AM
14	Code of Conduct was very useful.	11/23/2019 5:37 PM
15	Many of us need photos for reporting to travel support or simply for documentation, and depending on the device for photography, shutter sounds may not be avoidable. While I agree that it can distract, I think that people have been handling it pretty well. Therefore I suggest to double-check the necessity of putting it in words. On the other hand I believe affordable technology will soon enable distraction-free meeting documentation.	11/23/2019 3:26 AM
16	Honestly, useless. I know how to behave, but I am aware that this is now very popular.	11/22/2019 8:42 PM
17	It's a good idea to have that.	11/22/2019 8:11 PM
18	no issues, a+	11/22/2019 7:35 PM
19	Haven't looked at it in detail. I trust the process and people to improve as needed.	11/22/2019 5:35 PM
20	It is a very good idea.	11/22/2019 5:15 PM
21	I was not aware of the online availability of the Code.	11/22/2019 1:51 PM
22	none	11/22/2019 1:40 PM
23	I am happy there is a Code but did not need to use the online form so I have no review of that piece.	11/22/2019 1:40 PM
24	My one comment is that I don't know who the Code of Conduct Committee members were. Were they identified as such?	11/22/2019 1:17 PM

| 25 | I think that the Code of Conduct was perfectly adequate and presented in an appropriate fashion. | 11/22/2019 1:14 PM |
26	No issues that I can think of.	11/22/2019 1:13 PM
27	Great that the conference developed the C of C!	11/22/2019 1:09 PM
28	It is OK in its present form.	11/22/2019 1:01 PM
29	Very good and important to stress	11/22/2019 1:00 PM
30	Code is a good idea. I didn't use/look at the online form as no need arose.	11/22/2019 12:31 PM
31	It was ok.	11/22/2019 12:29 PM
32	I think everything worked just perfectly.	11/22/2019 12:28 PM
33	Having a code of conduct is vital. Adding an easily accessible and anonymous tool to report concerns is a great addition to make sure everyone is comfortable at such an event.	11/22/2019 12:26 PM
34	I think the code of conduct is good as it is. I didn't know about it's existence before answering this survey, so maybe it would have needed some more visibility.	11/22/2019 12:26 PM
35	Would prefer HTML version. Missed it in the app (?)	11/22/2019 12:19 PM
36	I found the Code of Conduct very positive and the awareness of a respectful and civic behaviour much needed. The presentation of an online form was a good way to communicate.	11/22/2019 12:13 PM
37	Useful and very much appreciated	11/22/2019 12:07 PM
38	I admit I did not read the Code of Conduct, but I do think it is a good thing that there was one.	11/21/2019 10:38 AM
39	Perhaps we need to be explicit in a code of conduct that folks should strive to address inclusion both in pre-planning -- but also "in the moment." It would have taken only a few seconds for one of the men to give up their seat for a woman, ...	11/15/2019 4:11 PM
40	i haven't read it	11/14/2019 5:03 PM
41	I think it's a positive step and glad you had it.	11/14/2019 4:09 PM
42	no opinion	11/14/2019 1:44 PM
43	I think the code of conduct was addressed well	11/14/2019 2:37 AM
44	The Code is excellent	11/13/2019 3:09 PM
45	I find the online form appropriate	11/13/2019 2:15 PM
46	it is a very good thing to have	11/13/2019 12:43 PM
47	A good initiative that should become a requirement as a best practice	11/13/2019 11:14 AM
48	Seems adequate to me (disclosure: I'm on the TDWG EXEC), and good to have it.	11/12/2019 2:23 PM
49	Good to have it, if there is a serious issue. It should be common practice. But do not overdue it so it does not create uneasiness or people wondering if there were issues, where their were none.	11/12/2019 11:33 AM
50	No	11/11/2019 9:38 PM
51	it´s ok	11/11/2019 10:37 AM
52	the idea was great	11/11/2019 6:53 AM
53	No	11/8/2019 9:42 AM
54	It was very helpful	11/8/2019 9:28 AM
55	/	11/8/2019 8:36 AM
56	Good thing the code and the form exist, though it would be better if it didn't need to exist.	11/7/2019 4:20 PM
57	I think that is positive that a code of conduct was developed, but I hope you did not receive too many filled out forms	11/7/2019 1:29 PM
58	-	11/7/2019 12:32 PM
59	Nice to have	11/7/2019 8:33 AM
60	I think it was excellent. I have no addition to it but this is good.	11/7/2019 6:01 AM

| 61	I don't agree with the level to which this is taken. Raising awareness by getting delegates to tick box it/sign off on it during the registration process is far enough. Attempts to impose a community morality have unintended consequences - we are and should ultimately individually be responsible for our behaviour. Also, having such a code appears misplaced in focus when the gender and other forms of equality was such an obvious area requiring attention.	11/6/2019 10:51 PM
62	Having a code is essential - no other comments	11/6/2019 9:39 PM
63	positive step	11/6/2019 7:40 PM
64	Good to have! One could add environmental sustainability guidelines and recommendations.	11/6/2019 6:39 PM
65	I had no knowledge of the code or the online form. However, I did not feel any need for it throughout the conference	11/6/2019 6:09 PM
66	OK for the code of conduct. Sceptical about the idea of using an online form to report an issue.	11/6/2019 4:38 PM
67	No opinion.	11/6/2019 4:09 PM
68	Ok	11/6/2019 3:56 PM
69	I agree the need of getting a Code of Conduct	11/6/2019 3:55 PM
70	No issues, but I value the work put into having a Code of Conduct	11/6/2019 3:45 PM
71	More explicit expectations of respectful interactions with colleagues: language matters.	11/6/2019 3:34 PM
72	fine	11/6/2019 3:19 PM
73	No.	11/6/2019 3:11 PM
74	Availability online is perfect. There are not any new issues to be addressed	11/6/2019 3:04 PM
75	I have not read the Code and I did not need to use the form, so I cannot comment. It is good to have one.	11/6/2019 2:51 PM
76	Great. No additional issues.	11/6/2019 2:14 PM
77	Looks promising to me. The proof will be in the outcomes.	11/6/2019 2:11 PM
78	I think the code was a good idea, and content is good. I would suggest changing the layout of the text so that 'authors' isn't so prominent, it makes it seem that the core of the code is for authors, when I believe personal interactions should be more prominent.	11/6/2019 2:06 PM
79	Very nice idea.	11/6/2019 1:56 PM
80	No.	11/6/2019 1:36 PM
81	They were just in order and helped the sessions to go on smoothly.	11/6/2019 1:31 PM
82	I think the main sections of the written Code are fine; it's important that we act on the spirit of it by encouraging each other to listen as well as speak up -- critically and constructively. (The 'Photography' section is a bit confusing. Were any talks planned to be recorded & made available online afterwards? It would be great to see & share them if so.)	11/6/2019 1:07 PM
83	A CoC should be normal	11/6/2019 12:43 PM
84	I am ok with this solution even if it avoids the possibility to discuss things with a person.	11/6/2019 12:38 PM
85	The code is good like that, I liked it	11/6/2019 12:20 PM
86	indifferent	11/6/2019 11:51 AM
87	Online form seems fine. I know of no code of conduct issues at this conference	11/6/2019 11:46 AM
88	Excellent initiative	11/6/2019 11:30 AM
89	Wasn't really aware of it.	11/6/2019 11:24 AM
90	It's a bit buried and could be missed, so increasing its prominence would be good.	11/6/2019 11:22 AM
91	I found it ok	11/6/2019 11:20 AM
92	Very happy there is a code of conduct to make it explicitly clear what kind of community we want to build. Was not aware of the form.	11/6/2019 11:19 AM
93	The Code of Conduct and the online form were completed and enough for participants to use.	11/6/2019 11:02 AM

94	Good initiative!	11/6/2019 10:57 AM
95	Although I didn't need to use it, it's great that this kind of thing is being taken seriously and there were convenient and private ways of reporting issues. Good job!	11/6/2019 10:48 AM
96	n/a	11/6/2019 10:43 AM

Q6 Please rate the success of the following at Biodiversity_Next
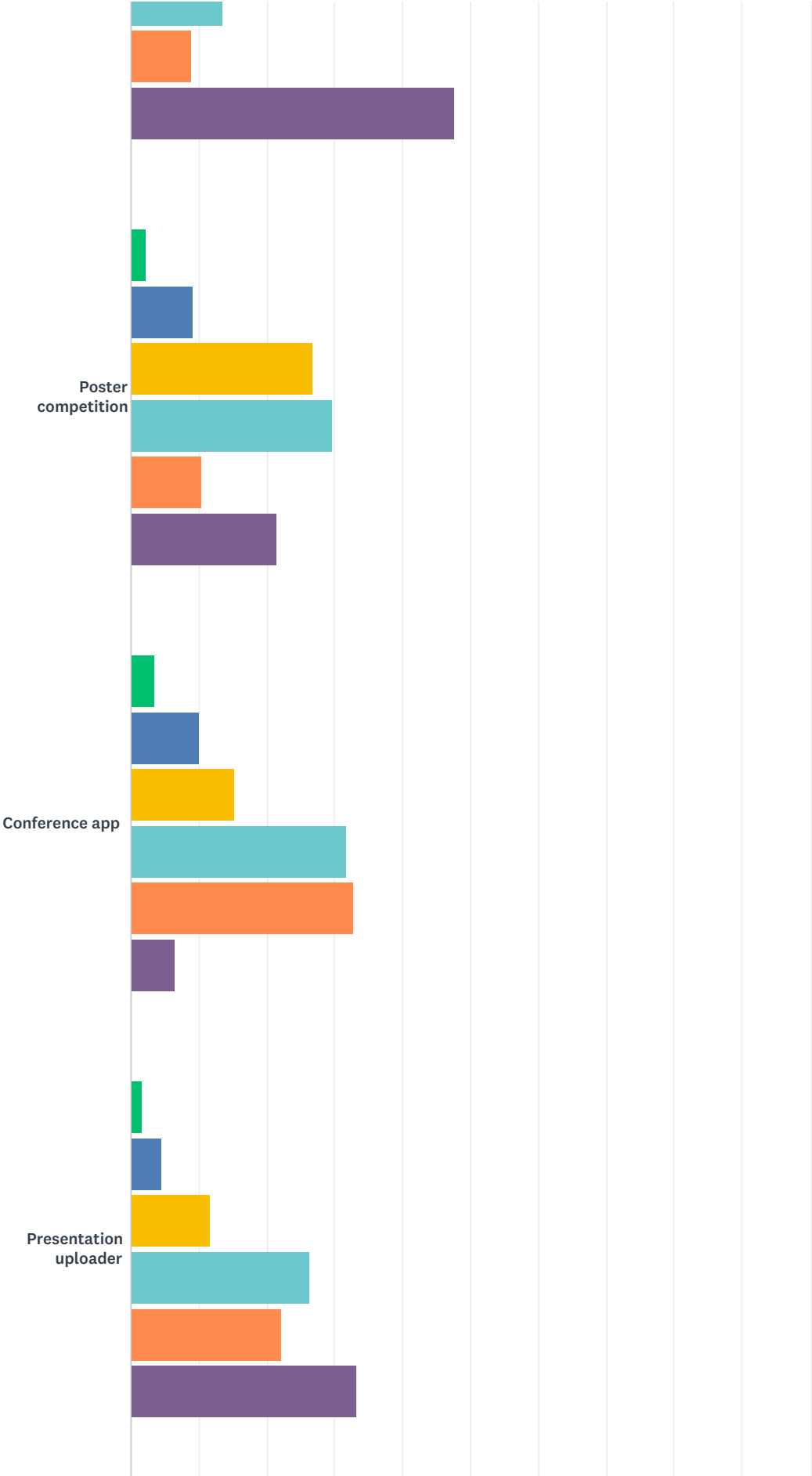
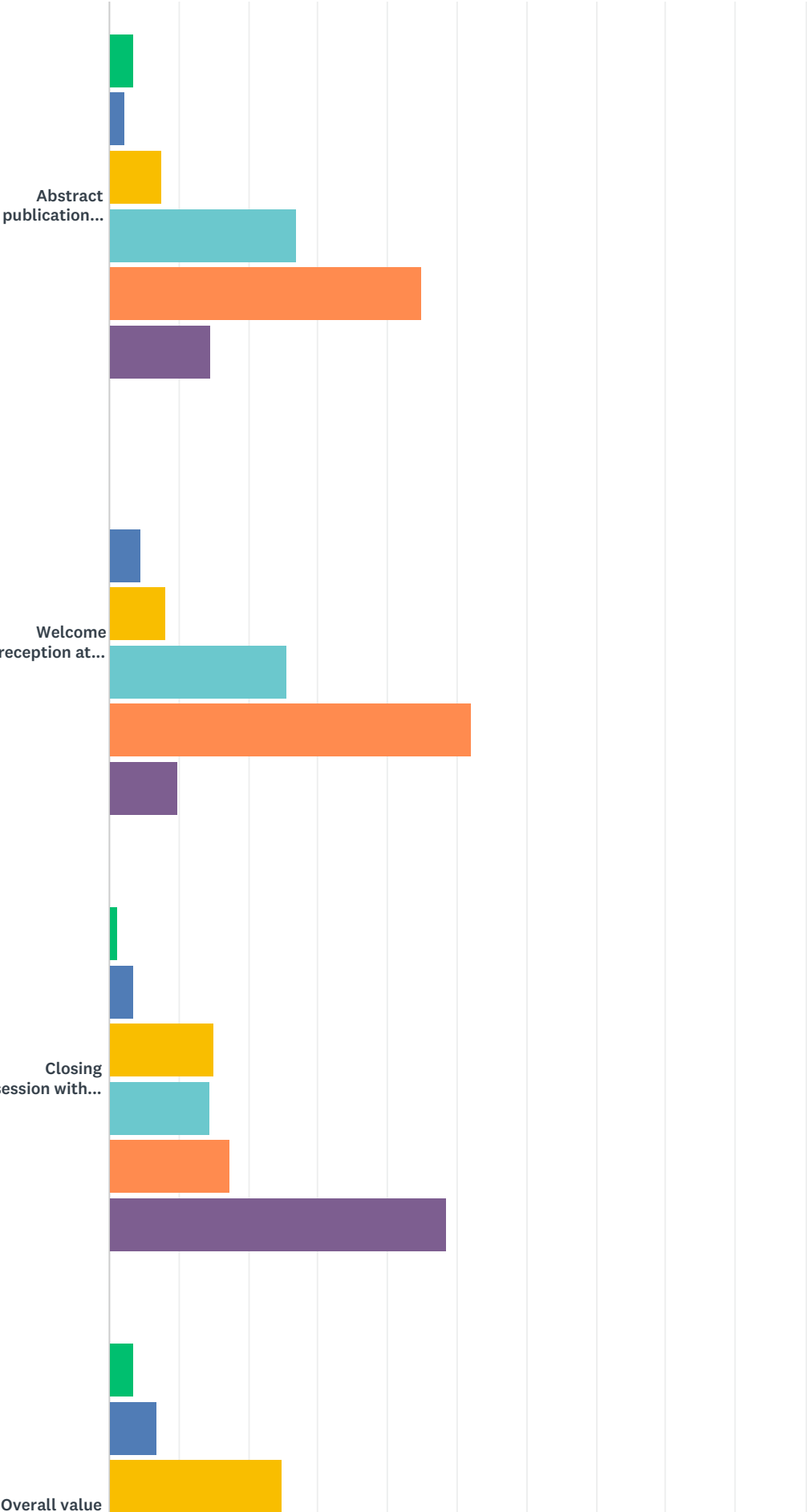Answered: 175   Skipped: 4
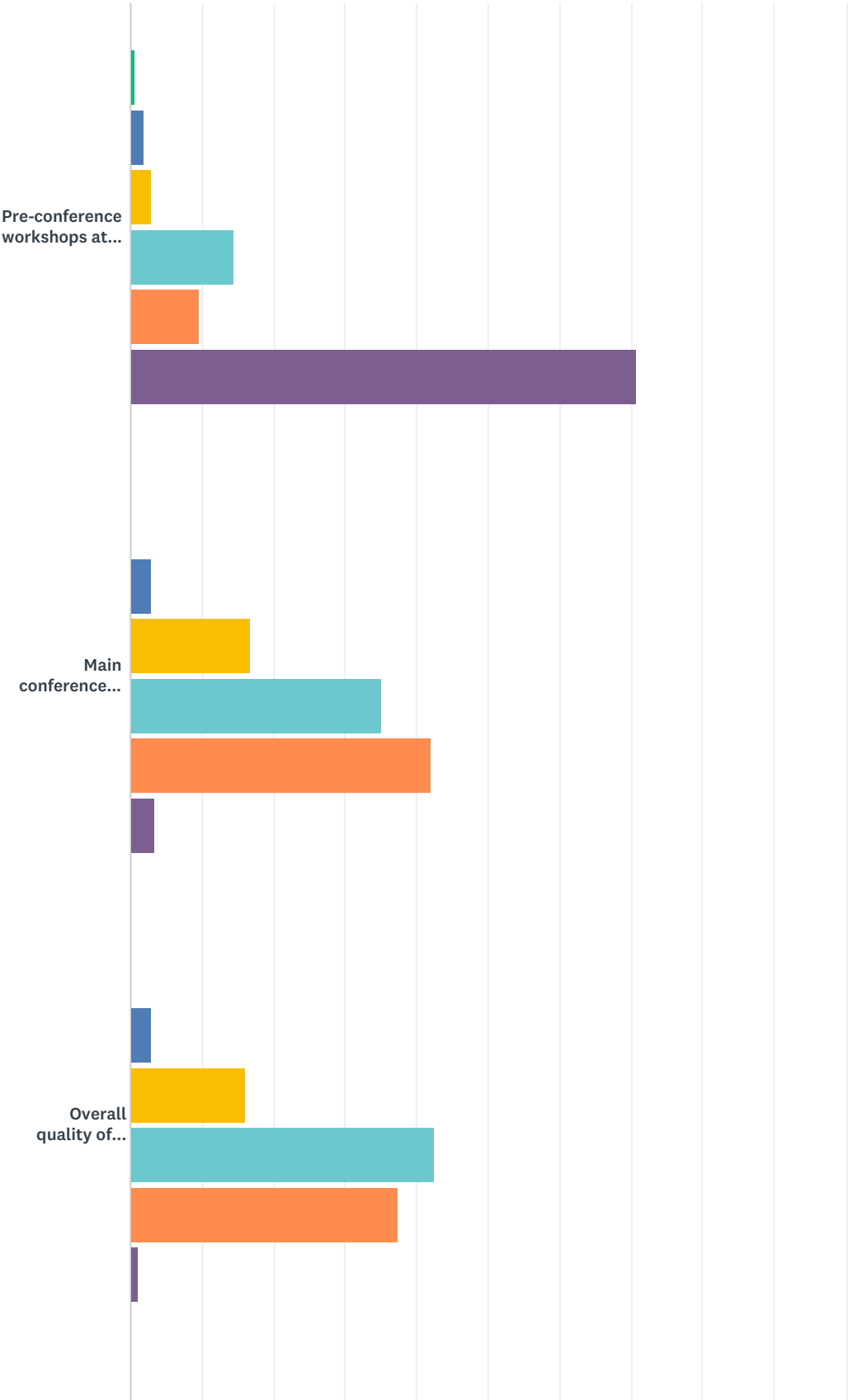
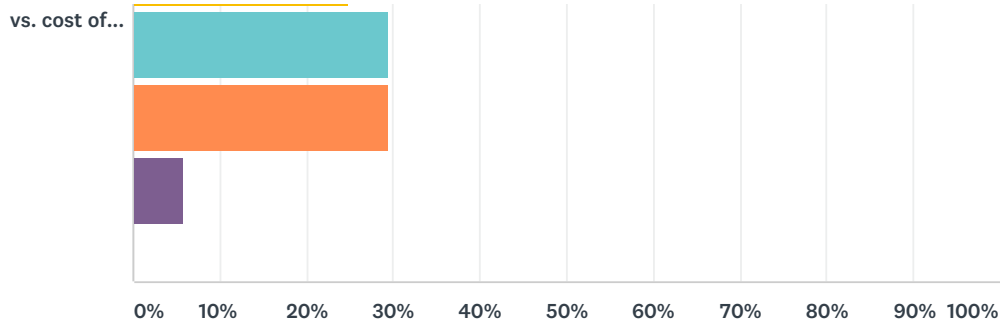Biodiversity_Next Post-Conference Survey
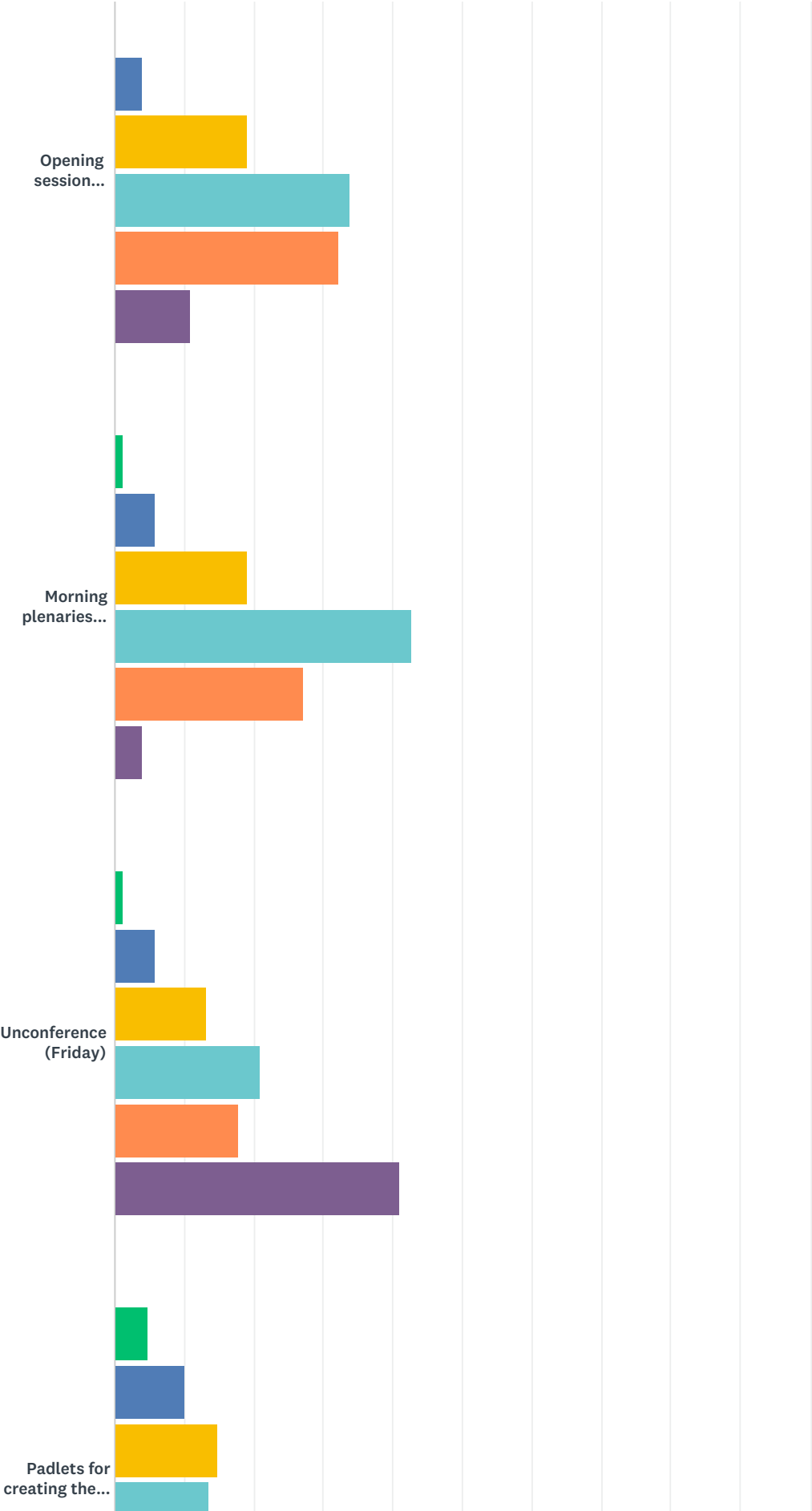
Biodiversity_Next Post-Conference Survey

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Abstract publication...

Welcome reception at...

Closing session with...

Overall value

Biodiversity_Next Post-Conference Survey

Legend:
- 1 = didn't like
- 2 = OK
- 3 = liked
- 4 = really liked
- 5 = loved
- not applicable

	1 = DIDN'T LIKE	2 = OK	3 = LIKED	4 = REALLY LIKED	5 = LOVED	NOT APPLICABLE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Pre-conference workshops at Scheltema	0.60% 1	1.80% 3	2.99% 5	14.37% 24	9.58% 16	70.66% 118	167	4.04
Main conference venue at Stadsgehoorzaal	0.00% 0	2.87% 5	16.67% 29	35.06% 61	41.95% 73	3.45% 6	174	4.20
Overall quality of conference program	0.00% 0	2.87% 5	16.09% 28	42.53% 74	37.36% 65	1.15% 2	174	4.16
Opening session (Tuesday)	0.00% 0	4.02% 7	18.97% 33	33.91% 59	32.18% 56	10.92% 19	174	4.06
Morning plenaries (Wednesday–Thursday)	1.16% 2	5.78% 10	19.08% 33	42.77% 74	27.17% 47	4.05% 7	173	3.93
Unconference (Friday)	1.19% 2	5.95% 10	13.10% 22	20.83% 35	17.86% 30	41.07% 69	168	3.82
Padlets for creating the the Unconference topics	4.76% 8	10.12% 17	14.88% 25	13.69% 23	8.93% 15	47.62% 80	168	3.23
Poster competition	2.33% 4	9.30% 16	26.74% 46	29.65% 51	10.47% 18	21.51% 37	172	3.47
Conference app	3.53% 6	10.00% 17	15.29% 26	31.76% 54	32.94% 56	6.47% 11	170	3.86
Presentation uploader	1.75% 3	4.68% 8	11.70% 20	26.32% 45	22.22% 38	33.33% 57	171	3.94
Abstract publication with DOI in Biodiversity Information Science and Standards	3.51% 6	2.34% 4	7.60% 13	26.90% 46	45.03% 77	14.62% 25	171	4.26
Welcome reception at Naturalis on Tuesday evening	0.00% 0	4.62% 8	8.09% 14	25.43% 44	52.02% 90	9.83% 17	173	4.38
Closing session with fireside chat	1.20% 2	3.59% 6	14.97% 25	14.37% 24	17.37% 29	48.50% 81	167	3.84
Overall value vs. cost of attending	3.47% 6	6.94% 12	24.86% 43	29.48% 51	29.48% 51	5.78% 10	173	3.79

#	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS	DATE
1	Except for the white men panel on Wednesday, everything was really good.	12/3/2019 5:52 PM

2	the organizers should take care of the way of composing the groups of speakers, it was very annoying to observe only middle-aged white men representing the entire Biodiversity_Next participants	11/28/2019 11:32 PM
3	The very dense program - in particular in parallel with the GBIF GB was a huge challenge. But considering an alternative of adding more days, I prefer a dense program. The app was nice -- but could be even better at assisting me to choose between sessions in a very crowded program.	11/28/2019 12:13 PM
4	the reception was at the end of a day yet there were hardly any food availiable, which led us to be quite hungry. And as I have many allergies, the whole food situation was very difficult. Even though I sent in allergies in advance, several were not marked on the food, so I did not know what I could eat, and one day I had no availiable options.	11/24/2019 8:49 PM
5	Overall, I think the conference was a great success. Sadly I didn't make it for the conference due to visa processing delays so for the onsite events listed above my rating is not applicable. However, being one of JRS African grantees that were invited to attend the conference a Leiden, after going through the resolutions that were taken following the challenges Africa still faced in Biodiversity Informatics, I am very satisfied and do say positively it was a great success, especially the Africa in the Picture Sessions and Roadmap.	11/24/2019 3:11 AM
6	The cost of accommodation was too high.	11/22/2019 8:14 PM
7	probably the most fun I've had in a long time!	11/22/2019 7:35 PM
8	The main venue was beautiful, but could be awkward to go between sessions rooms, and some rooms were crowded. NOT a complaint, very appreciative of venue and organization. Might have been easier to organize if in a boring, regular conference venue. The padlet was also a bit awkward to use. Good idea, maybe try it out with users, or use it more often at smaller events to find how to best apply it for sharing ideas. The conference app was a good idea, but it was difficult to read session abstracts, and needed online connection (wifi not always great). Want to be ecological, so good not to print out programs, but would really prefeer the option to print a PDF of the program myself, which I could annotate on during the event.	11/22/2019 5:21 PM
9	The manel (all male panel) on Wednesday morning was surprising and disappointing. The compensation fireside chat and closing remarks just dug the whole even deeper. Not good.	11/22/2019 4:25 PM
10	just attending the machine learning sessions on Thursday was worth the day ticket The keynotes in particular idol and iNaturalist (some of which I heard as GBIF delegate) were also worth the time / money!	11/22/2019 1:45 PM
11	Overall, the conference was good. Like many others, I was disappointed by the all white male panel early in the conference, as well as the lack of good internet access, and the vegetarian food options.	11/22/2019 1:22 PM
12	I liked the fact that we could use the app to tag the sessions/posters we were interested in. I found that the navigation could be improved though. Also I struggled on the first day to find the different rooms, and didn't initially find it clear on the app that the floor plan was there. Not sure we need messages stating that lunch was being served. Loved the fact that there were different tables with lunch as some people don't like the networking side of things and hopefully found a space that wasn't as crowded	11/22/2019 1:21 PM
13	The cost of attending was too high.	11/22/2019 1:04 PM
14	The program was rather rammed, which on the one hand meant lots of choice but on the other hand, difficult decisions on what to follow on occasion. As a presenter, I initially thought the 12 minute slots were too short but in the end I felt they were about right. The conference app was very helpful in assisting to sort through all the presentation choices. I felt that sometimes it was not clear what was a TDWG work group session versus what was a presentational symposium. Perhaps because I departed early (Friday lunchtime) I came away without any clear sense of what the event had achieved other than just allowing a large number of people to come together, chat (network!) and give their presentations.	11/22/2019 12:39 PM
15	I would have appreciated a chance to have some more food (and less alcohol) available at the happy hour and reception. I have diet restrictions and it was not easy to find vegan & gluten free food (even if all meals included something suitable) when it was served partly from tables and partly from the trays carried around by waitresses. I really didn't get enough to eat!	11/22/2019 12:31 PM
16	Well, you know about the manel. The booths for the co-organizers were not perfectly placed as people usually rushed by. But I also don't see where they could have been placed better and with enough space.	11/22/2019 12:28 PM

| 17	There were many (too many) parallel sessions. It was impossible to listen to the speakers I wanted to hear.	11/22/2019 12:25 PM
18	Very professionally organised event with great agenda and very interesting keynotes. All run smoothly. Many thanks to the host Naturalis! This event creates big pressure for the organisers of similar events in the future:)	11/22/2019 12:12 PM
19	Love this meeting -- wishing it was feasible to do often -- but such a huge effort required to pull this off.	11/15/2019 4:13 PM
20	Lunch food was too carbohydrate heavy. I would have paid a little more for bi molecular layers of protein on the sandwiches. Although that may be a cultural thing. The coffees were great!	11/14/2019 1:50 PM
21	No official window (1x 1 hour or so) for posters No information about who won the poster prices at all (neither online nor via app) for those who could not be present on Friday.	11/12/2019 4:44 PM
22	Tim Robertson, GBIF - happy to discuss any of this in person: In honesty, it was such a hectic week I saw and participated very little in the conference other than presenting 3 times. Running TDWG and GBIF events overlapping is very difficult for GBIF staff involved in the Governing Board and means we cannot participate in the TDWG conference or more importantly the workshops. We are pulled into helpdesk activities non-stop with people we see rarely. I recommend at least 1-day separation between GBIF and TDWG events in the future. I think TDWG need to give space for working groups again. I miss the days of TDWG where there was an open door policy and room to work in a group, aiming to attract newcomers. A series of lightning talks doesn't provide this environment. Too much emphasis is put on the BISS abstracts in my opinion. There is so little substance in them, I don't believe they deserve scholarly credit (in my case I wrote them in 15 minutes each). The conference organizers did a fabulous job - and thank you! - but the format itself was not to my liking or something that allowed me to participate in.	11/12/2019 2:36 PM
23	The programme seemed very dense; there were several sessions that would have been interesting to attend, but clashed with what felt like other fairly-closely-related sessions.	11/12/2019 2:19 PM
24	The internet not working most of the time, hampered to use the online voting and other tools you proposed ...	11/12/2019 11:35 AM
25	Kudos to the organizers for ORGANIZING such a complex event	11/11/2019 9:39 PM
26	No internet access over 4 days is not acceptable for such a participation cost. It did reduce the participation to the uncoference sessions in the same way, what was a great idea.	11/8/2019 12:58 PM
27	It was a great experience and a very well organized conference. The best that I have attended so far	11/8/2019 9:30 AM
28	/	11/8/2019 8:38 AM
29	The presentation uploader seems like a good idea, but I and other presenters had issues with uploading newer issues of presentations. The Upload worked, but the wrong presentation was shown. There were some kind of issues. I don't know if this was a technical issue or an organisational (the wrong one of several versions was selected by the technical staff), but either way there is room for improvement.	11/7/2019 4:30 PM
30	too bad that the wifi connection was not working	11/7/2019 1:30 PM
31	(1) One lunchtime, all the vegetarian food ran out - from all the tables we could find! We went hungry. Please provide more vegetarian food - meat-eaters eat it. (2) The all-white-male panel onstage was a terrible mis-step. The organisers should not have collated the self-selected panel in that way.	11/7/2019 12:34 PM
32	Make sure that future apps offer an easy way to disable notifications. Please also reduce the number of clicks required to see speaker names within sessions.	11/6/2019 9:41 PM
33	The only major downside was a lack of a dedicate poster sessions. Posters seemed to be an afterthought. At least one session of 1 hour should have been dedicated to them, rather than "during coffeebreaks".	11/6/2019 7:31 PM
34	The meeting was well planned out and the facility was excellent, but it was apparent the staff had no idea of what is a scientific meeting. At one point I had to argue with a staff member to let me leave one of the halls and cross to another session.	11/6/2019 6:12 PM
35	please guarantee a stable WiFi access next time	11/6/2019 5:19 PM

36	Good idea to have a joint conference for several networks (CETAG, GBIF, JRS). Beautiful place, but unfortunately no WiFi to demonstrate tools and service. It may be interesting to create a session where developers and institution present and demonstrate their software live (gathered in the same meeting room).	11/6/2019 4:42 PM
37	Being a bit of a community outsider, I had a difficult time with the sliding registration process and the need to get all information from social media. There is a movement to move away from social media for information because of the vast amount of disinformation and over load of information.	11/6/2019 4:11 PM
38	We need to find additional ways of involving our broader community (e.g., participants from the Global South; early career professionals). The JRS Biodiversity Foundation funding and support of participants from Sub-Saharan Africa was great--we need this for other underrepresented geographic areas and groups.	11/6/2019 3:38 PM
39	It was a pity unavailability to be in two or more parallel sessions at the same time. I fell I lost a kind of good sessions	11/6/2019 3:07 PM
40	When will the slides be available with the abstracts?	11/6/2019 2:53 PM
41	I found the plenary speaker quality quite mixed, but Seltzer, Hebert and Jansen were great. The idea of uploading slides ahead of time sounded great, especially as we could update them with revised versions- but the slides I got to present were from several days before and missing lots of revisions I had uploaded since.	11/6/2019 2:19 PM
42	Great hospitality at the venue. BUT was very mysterious as to what food would be provided (conference materials didn't indicate lunch was provided) and what lunch was available seemed very dependent on where you were standing (not much seating). The venue was difficult to navigate/find the right rooms. layout maps posted in the same spots as session topics and additional signage would have helped. I very much appreciated the efforts to minimize waste and the use of single-use plastics.	11/6/2019 2:10 PM
43	Being my first time attending such a milestone conference was an amazing experience not only to me as an individual but to the entire research colleagues at work and the whole department of national parks and wildlife Malawi.	11/6/2019 1:34 PM
44	Too many parallel sessions.	11/6/2019 1:22 PM
45	It's wonderful that the meeting has grown, but I heard a lot of nostalgia for a time when working groups were able to sit down and hammer through a problem or project. The problems/projects have likely grown more complex, too, but it might help to shift emphasis towards 'workshopping ideas/questions/issues' during more sessions (versus more polished presentations).	11/6/2019 1:16 PM
46	This conference is really, really important. The cost was low comparatively to the value of visiting the Naturalis Biodivesity Center, hearing from different experts and opening the minds of more than 500 people for proper management Biodiversity information for decision making but also for future generations' benefits	11/6/2019 12:47 PM
47	better WiFi needed	11/6/2019 12:45 PM
48	My own speciality (paleontology/earth sciences) only marginally present at meeting; interest level by other participants in paleo sessions apparently even more marginal. Networking effective for handful of colleagues in same discipline. Quality of talks in many other sessions e.g. AI only moderate - well presented but at best incremental content. Plenary talks, with exception of impressive talk on barcoding, mostly not very relevant to meeting or even somewhat repulsive (talk on altered human skin). Venue too cramped. Leiden is a nice location but a better building really was needed.	11/6/2019 11:56 AM
49	It was not a very good idea to use the main conference room, where the plenary took place, for one of the parallel topic sessions, because the room was mostly empty.	11/6/2019 11:13 AM
50	Registration and abstract submission via the ARPHA writing tool was over-complicated and (at least in my case) dysfunctional. Absolutely unneccessary.	11/6/2019 11:00 AM
51	Improve the consistency in the presented and line-up within the sympsia, some were not so coherent with the adressed title.	11/6/2019 11:00 AM
52	The lack of a proper poster session was disappointing and really reduced the impact of the posters.	11/6/2019 10:50 AM
53	Was too expensive to attend the whole thing so I was only able to attend one day.	11/6/2019 10:44 AM

| 54 | The WIFI connection was catastrophic. A conference dealing with biodiversity and with an extremely strong focus on digital methods should aim to offer a modern technical infrastructure. | 11/6/2019 10:39 AM |
| 55 | attention within naturalis before the conference was too little | 11/6/2019 10:39 AM |

Q7 How easy was it for you to use the conference app?

Answered: 169   Skipped: 10
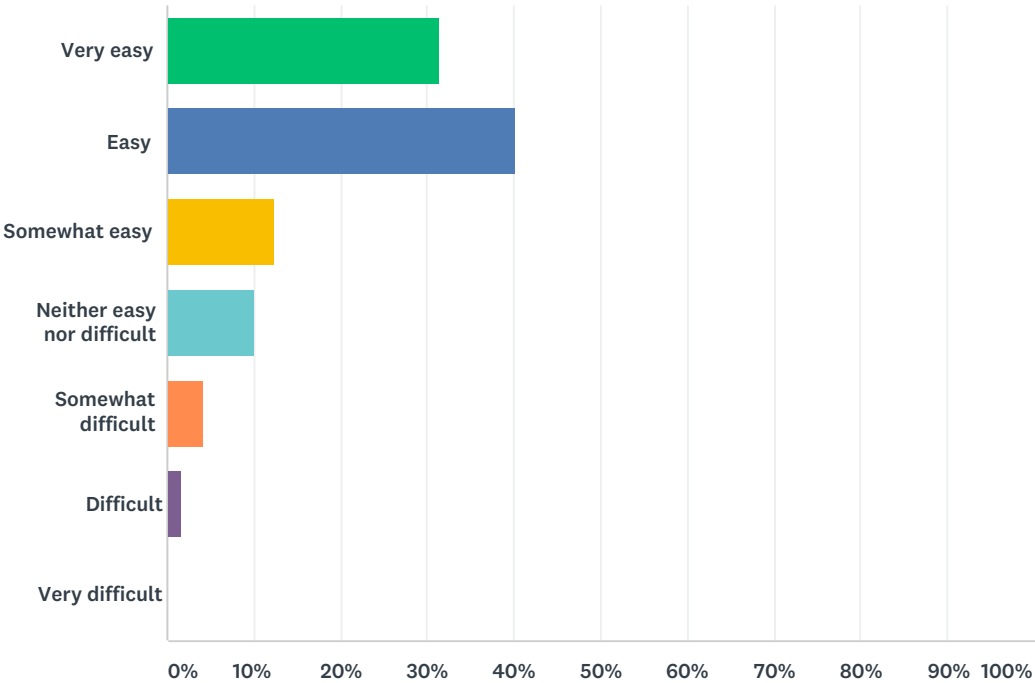
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very easy	31.36%	53
Easy	40.24%	68
Somewhat easy	12.43%	21
Neither easy nor difficult	10.06%	17
Somewhat difficult	4.14%	7
Difficult	1.78%	3
Very difficult	0.00%	0
TOTAL		169

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Q8 How did you use the app at this conference? Select all that apply.

Answered: 175   Skipped: 4
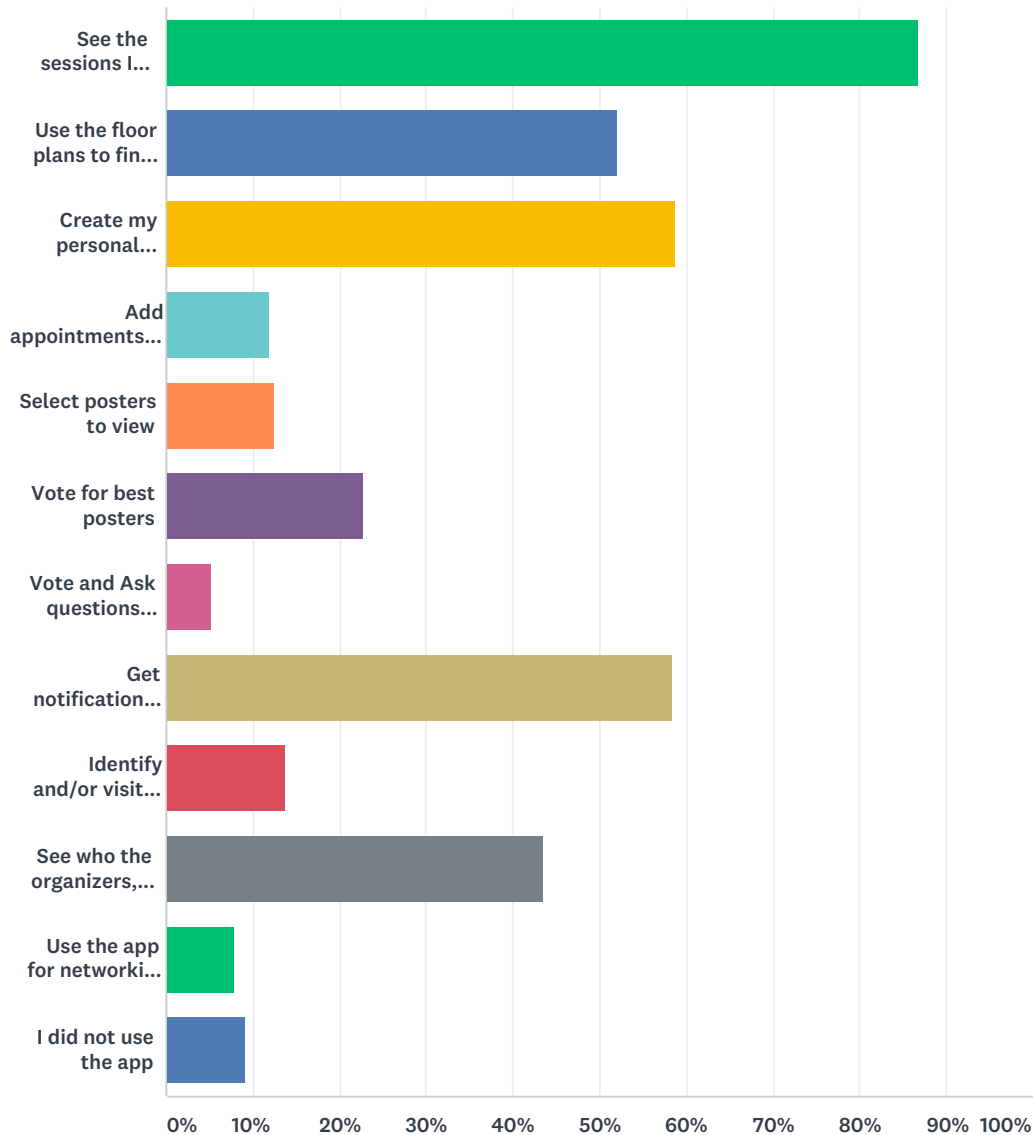
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
See the sessions I wanted to attend	86.86%	152
Use the floor plans to find my session	52.00%	91
Create my personal program	58.86%	103
Add appointments to my personal program	12.00%	21
Select posters to view	12.57%	22
Vote for best posters	22.86%	40
Vote and Ask questions (available in select sessions)	5.14%	9
Get notifications of updates to the program	58.29%	102

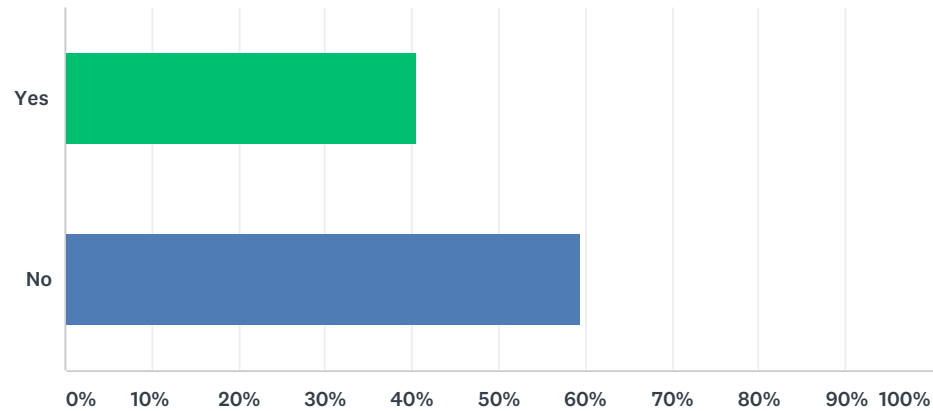|		
Identify and/or visit with organizers, partners, or sponsors	13.71%	24
See who the organizers, speakers and moderators were for the conference	43.43%	76
Use the app for networking (i.e., Twitter, Facebook, Event feed, or Chat with other attendees)	8.00%	14
I did not use the app	9.14%	16

Total Respondents: 175

#	OTHER USES OR COMMENTS	DATE
1	It's not friendly	11/28/2019 11:33 PM
2	The app was a "life-saver" to navigate the dense program. However, the feeling was that the app could have been even better. I seem to recall I liked the Schedule app from TDWG in Ottawa even better...	11/28/2019 12:15 PM
3	Personal information registered in the app was not reflected in search results for participants	11/27/2019 7:28 AM
4	I would have expected to see the abstracts - saw none	11/22/2019 1:46 PM
5	One major difficulty of the program was that everything was organized exclusively by author name. If the abstract title, keywords, or other metadata had been presented as findability mechanisms, it would have facilitated the discovery of new authors and presenters outside of those whose names I already recognize.	11/22/2019 1:17 PM
6	For the day of attendance, the table exposed in the hall was enough for me.	11/22/2019 1:05 PM
7	I'm not sure that I was very aware of existence of the facilities I didn't use.	11/22/2019 12:40 PM
8	I missed e-mail addresses of the speakers in the presented app, so they can be contacted later after the conference.	11/22/2019 12:25 PM
9	Would have been even more useful - if the wifi could handle it.	11/15/2019 4:14 PM
10	I only would like to habe a larger font on the App, could not make it bigger	11/13/2019 3:14 PM
11	Didn't install it	11/12/2019 2:37 PM
12	There's clearly some clunkiness with an app like this (reloading session data frequently, showing the logo for far too long when opening the app) but it was fairly decent for a conference app.	11/12/2019 2:23 PM
13	The PDF was a bit more useful since it showed speaker names	11/8/2019 10:13 AM
14	/	11/8/2019 8:39 AM
15	the presenters name should also appear in the overview of a session and not only on the details page. Also there were too many notifications, like "Lunch is ready" etc. This should be reduced or there should be an option to reduce the notifications only for important issues like room changes.	11/7/2019 4:31 PM
16	The wifi was too poor in the venue to use the app effectively	11/6/2019 10:53 PM
17	Very intrusive notifications - too many clicks to find speakers	11/6/2019 9:42 PM
18	The app was fairly easy to use, but it had three major disadvantages: 1. The abstracts for the talks were not on the app itself and required the user to open a new browser window each time to view the full abstract. 2. Once a talk was selected for a personal program, the user could not identify to which session it belonged. You had to scroll through the entire program to locate the selected talk and see what was after/before it 3. Information on presenters was not easily accessible	11/6/2019 6:16 PM
19	Consider creating a pre-conference video on how to use the app.	11/6/2019 3:40 PM
20	See walking routes to venues, and General info about Leiden, transportation, etc.	11/6/2019 3:10 PM
21	best conference app i have ever used. The only issue to me was that it required additional clicks/connection to access presentation titles. Since I chose most presentations/sessions to attend based on topic (not speaker) it made navigating that aspect much more tedious.	11/6/2019 2:12 PM

22	I found the app confusing and difficult to use. Hard to navigate back and forth. Proper publication of abstracts is great, but the fact that to see an abstract you had to follow a link to an external site (outside the app) was problematic, in part because the wifi at the main conference venue was poor, and the abstracts often didn't open. I found this frustrating. If the abstracts were integrated into the app content, there would have been no issue I suspect. I was not able to find, on the conference website, a download with all abstract content, to be able to review abstracts 'the old fashioned way'. It was difficult to see all talks occurring simultaenously on the app, at least in a way that seemed intuitive. For the record, other people I talked to said they really liked the app, so perhaps I am an outlier. Overall, I found I spent way too much time clicking around the app trying to figure out where to go - and that was inefficient. :-)	11/6/2019 2:07 PM
23	None	11/6/2019 12:48 PM
24	Presumably not available for Blackberry OS!? Most functions presumably could be provided via a regular website, without the need to install something on my device.	11/6/2019 11:36 AM
25	Was getting notifications for the wrong time zone if I'd marked the session before I traveled to the meeting. Really wish I could have exported my list of talks I wanted to attend to google calendar. Sometimes tapping the room didn't bring up a map, and sometimes the pin was on the wrong place on the map.	11/6/2019 11:27 AM
26	networking was not always possible because not everyone registered in the app	11/6/2019 11:26 AM
27	Would have like the unconference submissions/discussions to be included in the app as well	11/6/2019 11:23 AM
28	I couldn´t really use the app because of the bad Wi-Fi access during the whole conference	11/6/2019 10:54 AM

Q9 Did you participate in the Unconference?

Answered: 170   Skipped: 9

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	40.59%	69
No	59.41%	101
TOTAL		170

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Q10 Please provide feedback on this Unconference (reference the topic of the session you attended, if applicable).

Answered: 46   Skipped: 133

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The unconference ending discussion was concise, gentle, a very thrilling session	12/4/2019 12:21 PM
2	The unconference was very good for a more spontaneous more active less demanding possibility for participation.	11/28/2019 12:20 PM
3	bringing up the gender diversity problem was amazing	11/27/2019 9:34 AM
4	NA	11/25/2019 3:57 PM
5	I liked the idea and there was a good variety in the topics chosen. However it was left a bit unclear how we were supposed to continue with the topics after the sessions.	11/25/2019 2:13 PM
6	Integrating real-time ecology into museum and biodiversity informatics space (Better practices)	11/25/2019 8:48 AM
7	TDWG developer group, was excellent	11/24/2019 1:31 PM
8	I liked it, more of the same, please. Organizing with the padlet was a bit awkward---did not like having to use my social media to login.	11/22/2019 5:27 PM
9	I like the opportunity for the attendees to control the direction of discussions and to self-organize into interested subgroups to tackle those discussions and begin momentum on solutions. A very organic and agile way to fill gaps in the program or address things quickly.	11/22/2019 2:02 PM
10	I think it's a great idea and it should be continued. I had attended the GBIF annual meeting starting the Wednesday before so I was running out of steam at that point though.	11/22/2019 1:43 PM
11	I attended the gender unconference (don't remember exact name)	11/22/2019 1:30 PM
12	I attended the TDWG Hour topic and enjoyed the casual conversation environment	11/22/2019 1:23 PM
13	I went to Sandy's unconference session - this very worthwhile some important practical hansond actions were identified.	11/22/2019 1:12 PM
14	The session was moderated very well by Sandra Knapp and I thought the topic was important. The idea of an unconference was new to me. It was organized impressively and I found it to be really nice and interesting.	11/22/2019 12:57 PM
15	This was always going to be a lucky dip but I found the session I attended (5 most important practical things that people should do to join the biodiversity data train) to be very well run by Sandra Knapp and her colleague. I think the overall list of unconference topics turned out to be less inspiring that I had hoped.	11/22/2019 12:51 PM
16	I attended the Science Committee meeting of GBIF	11/22/2019 12:25 PM
17	n/a	11/21/2019 10:45 AM
18	We need more of this at all our conferences to bring the most current topics to the table -- and facilitate networking and collaboration on these.	11/15/2019 4:15 PM
19	I did not attend it. I was already on leave	11/13/2019 2:20 PM
20	gender and race equality	11/13/2019 1:03 PM
21	The app to submit you could not read anything from your mobile phone what people had posted. For the rest it was interesting to see what the audience is suggesting	11/12/2019 11:41 AM
22	The Other Diversity: gender and race diversity in informatics (Better practices)	11/11/2019 7:13 AM
23	Very great idea. Internet access was definitely a big issue to make it as good as it could have been.	11/8/2019 12:59 PM
24	I dipped into all (I was a co-organiser!)	11/8/2019 9:50 AM

25	/	11/8/2019 8:47 AM
26	I haven't understand the different unconferences were in parallele	11/7/2019 8:52 AM
27	I participated in the "Five practical actions for biologists (better Science)" and I have learned a lot from this. Particularily that Biologists need to work together and collaborate to become a force to be reckoned with.	11/7/2019 6:23 AM
28	How things died - we needed more time	11/6/2019 10:54 PM
29	enough content that could have been a longer session	11/6/2019 7:43 PM
30	Developer network session - good initiative but I'm worried if we will have a real active developer community, mostly such groups end with only one or two active people	11/6/2019 5:26 PM
31	IT. The session was too short to create a real discussion.	11/6/2019 4:47 PM
32	N/A	11/6/2019 4:16 PM
33	I attended the last half an hour, the summary of conclusions. It was very stimulating	11/6/2019 4:10 PM
34	Loved it. Attended the developers network one, but what I really loved were the single slide takeaways presented back as a full conference.	11/6/2019 3:49 PM
35	The Other Diversity: Gender and race diversity in informatics - well done and kudos to Rukaya Johaadien for organizing this. The community has lots to work on.	11/6/2019 3:47 PM
36	5 (or 12, or whatever) practical things for scientists/curmudgeons to do. This was a very interesting discussion and we came up with some useful ideas. I'm not sure where that material has ended up, though...	11/6/2019 2:22 PM
37	i checked the night before for the topics, but didn't see any listed on the app, so didn't participate.	11/6/2019 2:17 PM
38	I wasn't able to attend that morning, but this approach was new to me and I liked it (and wish I could've attended).	11/6/2019 2:08 PM
39	Community inclusivity in biodiversity conservation under Africa in the Picture session.	11/6/2019 1:45 PM
40	I attended the "How did it die?" Unconference . It was really useful.	11/6/2019 1:37 PM
41	Controlled Vocab for Death -- it was helpful to hear the variety of perspectives, and start focusing on common points to keep as well as overlap with existing vocabs to consider/avoid duplicating scope. Good humor, too :)	11/6/2019 1:30 PM
42	(topic: the other diversity) It was a really interesting and important question, especially after the all white-middle aged-men panel	11/6/2019 1:29 PM
43	I only attended the summarising session which was most interesting! Curious how the issues will be followed up...	11/6/2019 11:44 AM
44	I understand it is difficult to organize an unconference for such a large audience, but the preparation fase was too organized (required use of Padlets, 4 topics, quite a bit of commitment when submitting an idea). The 4 different Padlets made it difficult to keep track of what was already submitted. But I was pleasantly surprised to see that despite these barriers, the outcomes were satisfying.	11/6/2019 11:30 AM
45	Interesting, but not really useful for myseld	11/6/2019 11:05 AM
46	n/a	11/6/2019 10:54 AM

Q11 What were the four top session highlights of this conference for you (use the conference app or the website for reminders if you need to)

Answered: 99   Skipped: 80

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Highlight 4	67.68%	67
Highlight 3	83.84%	83
Highlight 2	92.93%	92
Highlight 1	100.00%	99

#	HIGHLIGHT 1	DATE
1	S175	12/4/2019 12:21 PM
2	Great choices for plenary speakers	12/4/2019 5:14 AM
3	The machine learning session on Friday morning	12/3/2019 5:53 PM
4	SI46 Biodiversity Virtual Research Environments: past, present & possible futures (1) Efforts to integrate VREs	12/3/2019 2:06 PM
5	Cite the DOI!	11/28/2019 11:34 PM
6	Very nice venue in the pleasant city of Leiden	11/28/2019 12:20 PM
7	How does Wikimedia Solve the Problem of Biodiversity Informatics?	11/27/2019 7:39 AM
8	Revealing the Diversity, Dynamics and Interactions of Life Throug DNA	11/26/2019 11:28 AM
9	Africa in The Picture	11/26/2019 9:12 AM
10	ST02 Biodiversity data quality	11/25/2019 2:13 PM
11	Contributed papers: Biodiversity Informatics	11/25/2019 10:33 AM
12	SS78 facilitating capacity building of young researchers	11/25/2019 7:22 AM
13	the ai session hosted by laurent	11/24/2019 8:50 PM
14	Wikidata-related stuff	11/24/2019 1:31 PM
15	Empowering the taxonomic community by linking information through names and taxonomy	11/23/2019 3:46 AM
16	All plenary sessions	11/22/2019 8:24 PM
17	Operationalizing Trait-Based Biodiversity	11/22/2019 5:50 PM
18	ST15	11/22/2019 5:27 PM
19	SS77 Digital biodiversity data as a frontier for new research avenues	11/22/2019 3:53 PM
20	AI session was incredibly informative	11/22/2019 2:02 PM
21	Tue, keynote by Paul Hebert (BIOSCAN)	11/22/2019 1:59 PM
22	Jalila Essaidi Keynote	11/22/2019 1:30 PM
23	GT51	11/22/2019 1:22 PM
24	Digitisation Next	11/22/2019 1:18 PM
25	opening ceremony	11/22/2019 1:12 PM
26	Keynotes: Paul Hebert, Jorge Soberon and Theo Janssen	11/22/2019 1:12 PM
27	S133 Improving access to hidden scientific data in the biodiversity heritage library	11/22/2019 12:57 PM

28	Keynote by Theo Jansen	11/22/2019 12:51 PM
29	Opening plenary	11/22/2019 12:48 PM
30	SI22 DiSSCo as a model for regional development of collections infrastructure	11/22/2019 12:46 PM
31	Biodiversity Data Quality: how it affects science	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
32	The World Flora Online – Creating a Research Infrastructure of global integrated data for all plants	11/22/2019 12:34 PM
33	WP26 Contributing to a co-designed "Mission on Biodiversity" in the framework of Horizon Europe	11/22/2019 12:32 PM
34	Africa in the Picture	11/22/2019 12:29 PM
35	SI33 Improving access to hidden scientific data in the Biodiversity Heritage Library	11/22/2019 12:26 PM
36	invited speakers	11/22/2019 12:25 PM
37	ST08 More than Names	11/21/2019 10:45 AM
38	Alignment Symposium	11/15/2019 4:15 PM
39	ST13 Enhancing taxonomic publications for dynamic data exchange and navigation	11/14/2019 5:12 PM
40	opening plenary	11/14/2019 1:53 PM
41	ST02 Biodiversity Data Quality - how it affects science	11/13/2019 3:38 PM
42	The ice breaker	11/12/2019 2:37 PM
43	SS47	11/12/2019 2:23 PM
44	Keynote: Theo Jansen	11/12/2019 1:36 PM
45	WP26 Mission on Biodiversity	11/12/2019 11:41 AM
46	Opening Session	11/11/2019 9:40 PM
47	Key Note Speakers: Jalila Essaidi, Theo Jansen, Paul Hebert	11/11/2019 7:13 AM
48	ST08 More than Names : Identifying and Crediting People in Biodiversity Data	11/8/2019 11:47 AM
49	Couple very interesting talks in sessions	11/8/2019 10:14 AM
50	Digitisation Next (those that I could see)	11/8/2019 9:50 AM
51	All Keynotes	11/8/2019 8:47 AM
52	The pre-conference workshop was fun and a lot of work was done	11/8/2019 5:15 AM
53	ST74 Standards Alignments across Disciplines in Natural Sciences	11/7/2019 4:43 PM
54	si10 wikimedia	11/7/2019 1:35 PM
55	Tue 15:30 SI10 How does Wikimedia Solve the Problems of Biodiversity Informatics?	11/7/2019 12:35 PM
56	Digitisation next sessions	11/7/2019 8:38 AM
57	Opening day plenary	11/7/2019 6:23 AM
58	Wikidata	11/6/2019 10:54 PM
59	VREs	11/6/2019 10:09 PM
60	digitisation	11/6/2019 7:43 PM
61	WS85 Data lifecycles for open ecological and biodiversity research	11/6/2019 5:26 PM
62	SS73 Biodiversity Informatics: Perspectives from the Global South Global South issues and challenge	11/6/2019 4:47 PM
63	Traits	11/6/2019 4:16 PM
64	ST08	11/6/2019 4:10 PM
65	Exploring biodiversity knowledge by ontologies	11/6/2019 4:10 PM
66	SS73 Perspectives from the Global South	11/6/2019 3:47 PM
67	How does Wikimedia Solve the Problems of Biodiversity Informatics?	11/6/2019 3:21 PM

68	ST02 Biodiversity Data Quality-how it affects science	11/6/2019 3:16 PM
69	the machine learning sessions	11/6/2019 2:54 PM
70	he Path from Policies to Theory: A story from the Mexican biodiversity agency	11/6/2019 2:45 PM
71	ST13	11/6/2019 2:23 PM
72	Trait Data megasession	11/6/2019 2:22 PM
73	Informatics 101 on Monday	11/6/2019 2:17 PM
74	Research Data Management	11/6/2019 1:45 PM
75	Africa in the Picture	11/6/2019 1:45 PM
76	Opening plenary	11/6/2019 1:30 PM
77	WS-01 - cloud-based species distribution modeling tools	11/6/2019 1:30 PM
78	Thursday Plenary	11/6/2019 1:29 PM
79	Keynote by Jalila Essaidi	11/6/2019 1:22 PM
80	The keynote sessions that covered the aspects related to Digital Infrastructures and Data Sharing in Biodiversity	11/6/2019 12:42 PM
81	Theo Jansen	11/6/2019 12:35 PM
82	Making Biodiversity Data Social, Shareable and Scalable:Reflections on INaturalist &Citizen Science	11/6/2019 12:30 PM
83	St13	11/6/2019 12:19 PM
84	Keynote by Theo Jansen: Dutch Kinetic Artist	11/6/2019 12:00 PM
85	DiSSCo conferences	11/6/2019 11:54 AM
86	Plenaries first day	11/6/2019 11:50 AM
87	Keynote by Carrie Seltzer	11/6/2019 11:44 AM
88	literature and publishing	11/6/2019 11:42 AM
89	SI87 Empowering the taxonomic community by linking information through names and taxonomy (2)	11/6/2019 11:41 AM
90	GBIF	11/6/2019 11:38 AM
91	SI10 wikimedia	11/6/2019 11:35 AM
92	ST69 Machine Observations	11/6/2019 11:30 AM
93	ST92 - Advancing the Quality of Diverse Citizen Science Data from Observations to Atlasing Projects	11/6/2019 11:05 AM
94	SS14 The role of Earth Science collections within biodiversity research	11/6/2019 11:03 AM
95	Keynote by Theo Jansen	11/6/2019 10:59 AM
96	The whole of the morning session for SS47 was amazing	11/6/2019 10:54 AM
97	ST02 Biodiversity Data Quality	11/6/2019 10:54 AM
98	keynotes	11/6/2019 10:50 AM
99	Max Gomera	11/6/2019 10:45 AM
#	HIGHLIGHT 2	DATE
1	SP35	12/4/2019 12:21 PM
2	Having lots of space and time to network with colleagues over snacks, drinks, and meals	12/4/2019 5:14 AM
3	ST02 Biodiversity Data Quality - how it affects science	12/3/2019 2:06 PM
4	FAIR principles	11/28/2019 11:34 PM
5	Nice and different key note talks	11/28/2019 12:20 PM

6	How can specialized data aggregators better integrate information? Is following Darwin Core enough?	11/27/2019 7:39 AM
7	Making Biodiversity Data Social, Shareable, and Scalable: Reflections on iNaturalist & citizen science	11/26/2019 11:28 AM
8	New narratives about biodiversity to better serve humanity	11/26/2019 9:12 AM
9	SS47 Advancing biodiversity research through artificial intelligence	11/25/2019 2:13 PM
10	Empowering the taxonomic community by linking information through names and taxonomy	11/25/2019 10:33 AM
11	SI67 Digitalisation Next: Overview, private collections and data extraction	11/25/2019 7:22 AM
12	the swedish presentations for nordic collaborations	11/24/2019 8:50 PM
13	iNaturalist-related stuff	11/24/2019 1:31 PM
14	FinBIF: An all-embracing, integrated, cross-sectoral biodiversity data infrastructure	11/23/2019 3:46 AM
15	Global south session	11/22/2019 8:24 PM
16	Agrobiodiversity in the era of open government, FAIR data, and public access policy	11/22/2019 5:50 PM
17	SP17	11/22/2019 5:27 PM
18	SP39 Increasing Opportunities to Align Data Initiatives for Bio/Geo Collections	11/22/2019 3:53 PM
19	Coding Club had so much positive energy	11/22/2019 2:02 PM
20	Thu, keynote by Carrie Selzer (iNaturalist)	11/22/2019 1:59 PM
21	Theo Jansen Keynote	11/22/2019 1:30 PM
22	Plenary	11/22/2019 1:22 PM
23	Empowering the taxonomic community by linking information through names and taxonomy	11/22/2019 1:18 PM
24	plenary on design	11/22/2019 1:12 PM
25	Mission on Biodiersity	11/22/2019 1:12 PM
26	DiSSCo as a new regional model for scientific collections in Europe	11/22/2019 12:57 PM
27	SP39	11/22/2019 12:51 PM
28	Towards a next generation of citizen science and crowdsourcing tools	11/22/2019 12:48 PM
29	ST13 Enhancing taxonomic publications for dynamic data exchange and navigation	11/22/2019 12:46 PM
30	Biodiversity informatics: perspectives from the Global South	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
31	Agrobiodiversity in the era of open government, FAIR data, and public access policy	11/22/2019 12:34 PM
32	WS41 Fostering the taxonomic imperative: the opportunities and challenges of the 2050 biodiversity goals	11/22/2019 12:32 PM
33	All the Keynote Presentations	11/22/2019 12:29 PM
34	ST08 More than Names	11/22/2019 12:26 PM
35	panel discussions after the sessions	11/22/2019 12:25 PM
36	SI10 How does Wikimedia Solve the Problems of Biodiversity Informatics?	11/21/2019 10:45 AM
37	BioArt Plenary Speaker	11/15/2019 4:15 PM
38	Herbert talk	11/14/2019 1:53 PM
39	SS48 Strengthening the biodiversity informatics community of practice through capacity enhancement (1)	11/13/2019 3:38 PM
40	Keynote: Jalila Assaidi	11/12/2019 1:36 PM
41	SI68 world flora online	11/12/2019 11:41 AM
42	BHL session	11/11/2019 9:40 PM
43	Data lifecycles for open ecological and biodiversity research	11/11/2019 7:13 AM

44	SI10 How does Wikimedia Solve the Problems of Biodiversity Informatics	11/8/2019 11:47 AM
45	Opening day morning talks	11/8/2019 10:14 AM
46	Artificial Intelligence session (those I could see)	11/8/2019 9:50 AM
47	The Wikidata symposium, but then I was the chairperson and proposer	11/8/2019 5:15 AM
48	SI10 How does Wikimedia Solve the Problems of Biodiversity Informatics	11/7/2019 4:43 PM
49	st69 machine observations	11/7/2019 1:35 PM
50	SS47 Advancing biodiversity research through artificial intelligence	11/7/2019 12:35 PM
51	AI - various but citizen science talks excellent	11/7/2019 8:38 AM
52	Building a global infrastructure for biodiversity data	11/7/2019 6:23 AM
53	Ontologies	11/6/2019 10:54 PM
54	Semantic session	11/6/2019 10:09 PM
55	pleniaries	11/6/2019 7:43 PM
56	visit to Naturalis	11/6/2019 5:26 PM
57	WT18 Using checklist recipe to standardize data to Darwin Core using R	11/6/2019 4:47 PM
58	Fostering Taxonomic Imperative	11/6/2019 4:16 PM
59	SI67	11/6/2019 4:10 PM
60	Biodiversity data quality - how it affects science	11/6/2019 4:10 PM
61	Max Gomera	11/6/2019 3:47 PM
62	Exploring biodiversity knowledge by ontologies	11/6/2019 3:21 PM
63	WP26 Contributing to a co-designed "Mission on Biodiversity" in the framework of Horizon Europe (1 y II),	11/6/2019 3:16 PM
64	the ontology sessions	11/6/2019 2:54 PM
65	Making Biodiversity Data Social, Shareable, and Scalable: Reflections on iNaturalist & citizen science	11/6/2019 2:45 PM
66	SS86	11/6/2019 2:23 PM
67	Seltzer plenary	11/6/2019 2:22 PM
68	Citizen Science Projects	11/6/2019 2:17 PM
69	Policies for Data Sharing	11/6/2019 1:45 PM
70	Biodiversity Data Quality: How it Affects Science	11/6/2019 1:45 PM
71	AI track	11/6/2019 1:30 PM
72	GT51 - TDWG Collection Descriptions Data Standards Task Group mtg	11/6/2019 1:30 PM
73	SP91 Developing a Data-Literate Workforce in Biodiversity Science	11/6/2019 1:29 PM
74	Keynote by Maxwell Gomera	11/6/2019 1:22 PM
75	Africa in the Picture Session, mainly the opportunity to contribute in building globala biodiversity data	11/6/2019 12:42 PM
76	Jalila Essaïdi	11/6/2019 12:35 PM
77	Dissco as a New Regional Model for Scientific Collections in Europe	11/6/2019 12:30 PM
78	SI67 Digitisation Next: Digitisation and transcription across collections, in the field and for pinned insects	11/6/2019 12:00 PM
79	Jorge Sonerln plenary	11/6/2019 11:50 AM
80	Trait-based biodiversity session	11/6/2019 11:44 AM
81	ontogies and LID	11/6/2019 11:42 AM

82	SI33 Improving access to hidden scientific data in the Biodiversity Heritage Library	11/6/2019 11:41 AM
83	iNaturalist	11/6/2019 11:38 AM
84	St08 naming people	11/6/2019 11:35 AM
85	Reception	11/6/2019 11:30 AM
86	ST02 Biodiversity Data Quality - how it affects science	11/6/2019 11:05 AM
87	WT44 TDWG Paleo IG Workshop: Coordinating best practices for fossil specimen data mobilization	11/6/2019 11:03 AM
88	SS19	11/6/2019 10:59 AM
89	SS86	11/6/2019 10:54 AM
90	CP05 Palaeontology and issues with time	11/6/2019 10:54 AM
91	unconference	11/6/2019 10:50 AM
92	smithsonian talks on AI on herbarium sheets	11/6/2019 10:45 AM
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1	SS19	12/4/2019 12:21 PM
2	The reception at Naturalis	12/4/2019 5:14 AM
3	SI46 Biodiversity Virtual Research Environments: past, present & possible futures (2) Exemplar VRE platforms	12/3/2019 2:06 PM
4	Orcid and others unique identifiers	11/28/2019 11:34 PM
5	Networking opportunities with colleagues I see online but too seldom in person	11/28/2019 12:20 PM
6	More than Names: Identifying and Crediting People in Biodiversity Data	11/27/2019 7:39 AM
7	The path from policies to Theory: A story from thweMexican biodiversity agency	11/26/2019 11:28 AM
8	Making biodiversity data social, shareable and scalable	11/26/2019 9:12 AM
9	SI46 Biodiversity virtual research environments	11/25/2019 2:13 PM
10	Training course: Biodiversity in changing Climate: e-learning	11/25/2019 10:33 AM
11	ST74 Standars alignments across Disciplines in Natural Sciences	11/25/2019 7:22 AM
12	Machine-learning session	11/24/2019 1:31 PM
13	Finding scientific names in Biodiversity Heritage Library, or how to shrink Big Data	11/23/2019 3:46 AM
14	Contributed paper session - CP03	11/22/2019 8:24 PM
15	SI72	11/22/2019 5:27 PM
16	CP04 Contributed papers: Citizen science and workflows	11/22/2019 3:53 PM
17	Machine Observations working group meeting brought in a broader perspective on the many methods	11/22/2019 2:02 PM
18	SS47 (Artificial Intelligence)	11/22/2019 1:59 PM
19	Carrie Seltzer Keynote	11/22/2019 1:30 PM
20	ST92	11/22/2019 1:22 PM
21	Promoting natural history collections for understanding biodiversity and biodiversity change	11/22/2019 1:18 PM
22	reception at Naturalis	11/22/2019 1:12 PM
23	Global South	11/22/2019 1:12 PM
24	Unconference	11/22/2019 12:57 PM
25	SI20	11/22/2019 12:51 PM
26	Biodiversity Virtual Research Environments	11/22/2019 12:48 PM
27	WP26 Contributing to a co-designed "Mission on Biodiversity" in the framework of Horizon Europe	11/22/2019 12:46 PM

28	Linking specimens and physical samples	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
29	Digital biodiversity data as a frontier for new research avenues	11/22/2019 12:34 PM
30	SI22 DiSSCo as a model for regional development of collections infrastructure (1)	11/22/2019 12:32 PM
31	Pre Conference workshop	11/22/2019 12:29 PM
32	SS19 Exploring biodiversity knowledge by ontologies	11/22/2019 12:26 PM
33	excellent support from the staff even with a good sense of humour	11/22/2019 12:25 PM
34	SS47 Advancing biodiversity research through AI	11/21/2019 10:45 AM
35	artist talk on man made creatures wind powered	11/14/2019 1:53 PM
36	SP79 Agrobiodiversity in the era of open government, FAIR data, and public access policy	11/13/2019 3:38 PM
37	ST74	11/12/2019 1:36 PM
38	Dutch Kinetic artist	11/12/2019 11:41 AM
39	Second Plenary	11/11/2019 9:40 PM
40	Biodiversity Data Quality - how it affects science	11/11/2019 7:13 AM
41	SI33 Improving access to hidden scientific data in the Biodiversity Heritage Library	11/8/2019 11:47 AM
42	Few planning meetings we set up during the conference w/ various groups	11/8/2019 10:14 AM
43	We Can('t) get there from here	11/8/2019 9:50 AM
44	Meeting new people and learning what they do	11/8/2019 5:15 AM
45	SI20 Semantic Annotation of Collection Data	11/7/2019 4:43 PM
46	ss47 advancing biodiversity research through ai	11/7/2019 1:35 PM
47	ST60 session	11/7/2019 8:38 AM
48	Making Biodiversity data social, shareable and scalable	11/7/2019 6:23 AM
49	Traits	11/6/2019 10:54 PM
50	networking	11/6/2019 7:43 PM
51	WI50 Accessing knowledge from legacy biodiversity literature	11/6/2019 5:26 PM
52	SS14 The role of Earth Science collections within biodiversity research SI10 How does Wikimedia Solve the Problems of Biodiversity Informatics? SS19 Exploring biodiversity knowledge by ontologies CP02 Contributed papers: Biodiversity informatics GT30 GGBN – Interest Group Meeting GS32 TDWG Technical Architecture Group (TAG) meeting WS24 The coding club: how to share digital skills in a welcoming environment	11/6/2019 4:47 PM
53	Digital biodiversity data as a frontier for new research avenues	11/6/2019 4:16 PM
54	ST74	11/6/2019 4:10 PM
55	Standards alignments across disciplines in natural sciences	11/6/2019 4:10 PM
56	Unconference	11/6/2019 3:47 PM
57	Biodiversity Informatics: Perspectives from the Global South	11/6/2019 3:21 PM
58	WT44 TDWG Paleo IG Workshop: Coordinating best practices for fossil specimen data mobilization	11/6/2019 3:16 PM
59	the trait sessions	11/6/2019 2:54 PM
60	Plenaries	11/6/2019 2:23 PM
61	Followup discussions about the Manel	11/6/2019 2:22 PM
62	OCR and related tools	11/6/2019 2:17 PM
63	Citizen Science Public participation in Biodiversity Monitoring	11/6/2019 1:45 PM
64	Facilitating Capacity Building of Young Researchers	11/6/2019 1:45 PM

65	Reception	11/6/2019 1:30 PM
66	SS47 - Advancing biodiv. research through AI	11/6/2019 1:30 PM
67	SS47 Advancing biodiversity research through artificial intellingence	11/6/2019 1:29 PM
68	Keynote by Paul Hebert	11/6/2019 1:22 PM
69	The Posters presented during the conference, and the space opened for the discussion with the authors	11/6/2019 12:42 PM
70	Carrie Seltzer	11/6/2019 12:35 PM
71	Fin BIF: An all-embracing, integrated, cross-sectoral biodiversity data	11/6/2019 12:30 PM
72	SI67 Digitisation Next: Herbarium digitisation and databasing, and poorly documented countries	11/6/2019 12:00 PM
73	Digitization sessions	11/6/2019 11:50 AM
74	data publishing	11/6/2019 11:42 AM
75	WI50 Accessing knowledge from legacy biodiversity literature	11/6/2019 11:41 AM
76	Global South session	11/6/2019 11:38 AM
77	Global south discussion	11/6/2019 11:35 AM
78	Preconference workshops	11/6/2019 11:30 AM
79	Thursday plenary: both presentations	11/6/2019 11:05 AM
80	CP05 Contributed papers: Palaeontology and issues with time	11/6/2019 11:03 AM
81	WI50	11/6/2019 10:59 AM
82	SI10	11/6/2019 10:54 AM
83	SI10 Wikimedia	11/6/2019 10:54 AM
#	HIGHLIGHT 4	DATE
1	ST02	12/4/2019 12:21 PM
2	Being in Leiden - relaxed and comfortable small town, pleasant to be in	12/4/2019 5:14 AM
3	SS47 Advancing biodiversity research through artificial intelligence (1)	12/3/2019 2:06 PM
4	ALA Portals	11/28/2019 11:34 PM
5	Links to NlBIF and DiSSCo and research infrastructure information	11/28/2019 12:20 PM
6	Machine learning: an emerging toolkit for biodiversity	11/25/2019 10:33 AM
7	CP04 Contributed papers: Citizen science and workflows	11/25/2019 7:22 AM
8	Extracting Data from Legacy Taxonomic Literature: Applications for planning field work	11/23/2019 3:46 AM
9	Agriculture and landscapes	11/22/2019 8:24 PM
10	WS61	11/22/2019 5:27 PM
11	SI68 The World Flora Online – Creating a Research Infrastructure of global integrated data for all plants	11/22/2019 3:53 PM
12	Ability to steer the discussion via Unconference	11/22/2019 2:02 PM
13	The fireside session	11/22/2019 1:30 PM
14	SS48	11/22/2019 1:22 PM
15	plenary on policy	11/22/2019 1:12 PM
16	DiSSCo	11/22/2019 1:12 PM
17	ST60 World catalogue of collections - describing and assessing collections for identifying relevant gaps	11/22/2019 12:57 PM
18	SI75	11/22/2019 12:51 PM
19	Data Lifecycles for Open Ecological and Biodiversity Research	11/22/2019 12:48 PM

20	SI33 Improving access to hidden scientific data in the Biodiversity Heritage Library	11/22/2019 12:46 PM
21	Agrobiodiversity in the era of Open Government	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
22	SI67 Digitisation Next (3) Herbarium digitisation and databasing, and poorly documented countries	11/22/2019 12:34 PM
23	SI10 - How does Wikimedia Solve the Problems of Biodiversity Informatics?	11/22/2019 12:32 PM
24	Posters	11/22/2019 12:29 PM
25	SI67 Digitisation Next	11/22/2019 12:26 PM
26	oriental food during the pauses	11/22/2019 12:25 PM
27	Coffees	11/14/2019 1:53 PM
28	SI33 Improving access to hidden scientific data in the Biodiversity Heritage Library	11/13/2019 3:38 PM
29	SI20	11/12/2019 1:36 PM
30	Closing ceremony with poster awards	11/12/2019 11:41 AM
31	Naturalis Reception	11/11/2019 9:40 PM
32	Unconference	11/11/2019 7:13 AM
33	SI67 Digitisation Next: Digitisation and transcription across collections, in the field and for pinned insects	11/8/2019 11:47 AM
34	Virtual Research Environments	11/8/2019 9:50 AM
35	Meeting and talking to people I only see once a year	11/8/2019 5:15 AM
36	GT12 Interest Group Meeting: Access to Biological Collection Data	11/7/2019 4:43 PM
37	keynote by theo jansen	11/7/2019 1:35 PM
38	Max Gomera plenary	11/7/2019 8:38 AM
39	Biodiversity Informatics: Perspectives from the global south	11/7/2019 6:23 AM
40	Nagoya session (ABS)	11/6/2019 7:43 PM
41	SI20 Semantic Annotation of Collection Data	11/6/2019 5:26 PM
42	CP03 Contributed papers: Data portals	11/6/2019 4:47 PM
43	ST13	11/6/2019 4:10 PM
44	How can specialized data aggregators better integrate information?	11/6/2019 4:10 PM
45	SP79 Agrobiodiversity	11/6/2019 3:47 PM
46	TDWG Collections Description Data Standards Task Group Meeting	11/6/2019 3:16 PM
47	SI33	11/6/2019 2:23 PM
48	T rex	11/6/2019 2:22 PM
49	digitization of biological collections	11/6/2019 2:17 PM
50	Georeferencing and data quality	11/6/2019 1:45 PM
51	Biodiversity Informatics: Perspective from the Global South Issues and Challenges	11/6/2019 1:45 PM
52	SI75 - Linking specimens and physical samples through metadata	11/6/2019 1:30 PM
53	ST74 Standards Alignments across Disciplines in Natural Sciences	11/6/2019 1:22 PM
54	The GBIF sessions, mainly its wide/global use, being a good example of data interoperability in biodiversity data	11/6/2019 12:42 PM
55	Joseph Miller	11/6/2019 12:35 PM
56	Keynote by Paul Hebert: Evolutionary Biologist	11/6/2019 12:30 PM
57	WI76 Towards a next generation of citizen science and crowdsourcing tools	11/6/2019 12:00 PM
58	S39– can't remember what it was called	11/6/2019 11:50 AM

59	SI68 The World Flora Online – Creating a Research Infrastructure of global integrated data for all plants	11/6/2019 11:41 AM
60	AI	11/6/2019 11:38 AM
61	Plant animal Interactions with iNaturalist	11/6/2019 11:35 AM
62	Tuesday keynote plenary	11/6/2019 11:30 AM
63	Artists Theo Janssen and Jalila Essaidi	11/6/2019 11:05 AM
64	SP39 Increasing Opportunities to Align Data Initiatives for Bio/Geo Collections	11/6/2019 11:03 AM
65	SI20	11/6/2019 10:59 AM
66	SI49	11/6/2019 10:54 AM
67	SI87 Empowering the taxonomic community (2)	11/6/2019 10:54 AM

Q12 What suggestions would you give to future conference organizers?

Answered: 91   Skipped: 88

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The goal of bringing together the most important organizations has been met with great success. For this reason the program has probably been so general. I think it will be time from now on for focusing the program on a short number of issues in order to reduce the number of parallel sessions. In the past edition I felt crazy trying to select what session to attend among so interesting options	12/4/2019 12:43 PM
2	Well done! Thank you for putting so much care into all aspects of this conference.	12/4/2019 5:17 AM
3	Maybe more distinct presentations in the program and app for "core" seminars and "extra" seminars (for more special interest groups.	11/28/2019 12:26 PM
4	Panel to have improved biodiversity	11/26/2019 12:38 PM
5	No	11/26/2019 11:34 AM
6	Concurrent sections should be organized in such a way as to enable people attend as many sections which they are interested in as possible	11/26/2019 9:16 AM
7	Perhaps a poster session would be good, now it was difficult to find a good time to see the posters, did not see all of them.	11/25/2019 2:15 PM
8	Keep it up. Put all posters in one same room, not in corridors, so as not to fragment people in different places.	11/25/2019 1:59 PM
9	to maintain the same dynamics in the organization	11/25/2019 10:43 AM
10	There were too many parallel sessions	11/25/2019 8:53 AM
11	To extend the period of the conference to two weeks allowing partcipants to attend all the session they want	11/25/2019 7:27 AM
12	In the app I found it a bit difficult that things were sorted by categories of session vs other events instead of only by time, as this it sometimes made it more difficult to make a good day program.	11/24/2019 8:54 PM
13	To kindly show in subsequent conferences, the rate, efforts, progression, and level of implementation of the resolutions taken in the previous conferences.	11/24/2019 3:26 AM
14	The facility in Leiden was very efficient that it provides opportunities for conversation and all parallel sessions are easily accessible. I think a compact venue allocation within walking distance would add values for a joint event as such.	11/23/2019 3:57 AM
15	Find opportunities to increase student participation.	11/22/2019 8:26 PM
16	I loved so many presentations, but missed so many I really wanted to hear. To have the presentations recorded & archived would be great. While I follow TDWG conference programs, and the uploaded presentations, it was really worthwhile to by physically present because of discussions and networking. But there were too many good sessions, wanted to be able to review missed talks in the evening so I could find and discuss with others the following days.	11/22/2019 5:34 PM
17	Organization of the session could have been better. Putting the global alignment session opposite the global south session wasn't good.	11/22/2019 4:28 PM
18	more functional website and app! At this moment (and already for days?) the conference program is not accessible on the website! Both in the app and the website, abstracts of presentations were not available (I just tested one where I know it has been published in BISS) No way to contact the presenter! And: See 14	11/22/2019 2:09 PM
19	Avoid (white) manels at all costs. Make sure all invited panel speakers know who the other members are. If you have another manel, start the discussion by addressing this at the beginning, not the end, people left the room because of this. I would suggest using humour to diffuse any possible tension. I would like to see more marine talks, not sure if there weren't enough proposed or they were not selected for the final program.	11/22/2019 1:35 PM

20	None	11/22/2019 1:07 PM
21	A more concise description of the sessions. Many session descriptions were very long and did not provide clear information about what the session is actually about. In several sessions I realized that I had the wrong idea about what they will focus on.	11/22/2019 1:04 PM
22	If possible I would advise to simplify the daily choice. Either by decreasing the number of events occurring at the same time, either by making simple tittles. As many conferences were occurring at the same time, it was hard to choose in which you truly wanted to be present. Moreover, that decision needed to be done more than once on a daily basis. What happens in the end is that either your choice was correct and you ended up loving the choice you have done either your choice was not what you have expected from the session and it was hard to change from that session later on.	11/22/2019 1:02 PM
23	None specific.	11/22/2019 12:53 PM
24	Maybe this kind of big meetings are not good for parallel annual meetings. I think GBIF nodes and HoDs missed quite a bit when they had other meetings at the same time.	11/22/2019 12:51 PM
25	- Make shure the Wifi is stable and available in every room - Publish an Official Programme (at least name it so). This year's programm is still named "Provisional Programme" - makes it a bit harder to plan - link abstracts in the printable programme (Google Spread Sheet) as well	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
26	Increase the networking possibilities through keywords and interests, specially geographically related inside the building.	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
27	to have less paralell sessions and to plan bigger information packages into one session.	11/22/2019 12:34 PM
28	maintain both a regional and gender balance	11/22/2019 12:33 PM
29	Conference was well organized, most keynotes were good, sessions useful. I felt the preconference workshop I attended (Names for Biodiversity) could do better. Session organizer I think did not realize there were people attending who were unaware of the work of the TDWG interest group. A general introduction would be much more useful, instead of diving deep into prior in-crowd discussions that part of the audience could barely identify with. Biggest letdown of an otherwise great conference for me.	11/21/2019 10:49 AM
30	Start early. Insist on inclusion. More unconference time.	11/15/2019 4:19 PM
31	Keep the brand - I think it worked well and the format was good.	11/14/2019 4:12 PM
32	Have the meeting in Leiden. Make future conferences all about climate change and climate change action. It is the existential threat to biodiversity without question. We must ask if digitizing, modeling, processing data from extinct biodiversity and a destroyed planet is really a worthy goal in light of the overwhelming, geological-scale, impact climate change will have on all life.	11/14/2019 2:16 PM
33	Use the App! It was great!	11/13/2019 3:48 PM
34	This conference was quite successful. Organizing TDWG conference together with those of other initiatives like GBIF is quite fruitful and cost effective for participation	11/13/2019 2:22 PM
35	Please see the previous comments.	11/12/2019 2:37 PM
36	Do not have all the boards in parallel less parallel sessions and more joint sessions Internet that is working	11/12/2019 11:42 AM
37	The GBIF business meetings made it impossible to attend the afternoon sessions; overlap was hard to avoid, but might try and see if it can be avoided.	11/11/2019 9:43 PM
38	Too much information, too many parallel sessions so I think I was losing a lot of interesting things	11/11/2019 10:44 AM
39	Information about workshops (TDWG especially)... It was a bit unclear if some of them were open or closed sessions	11/8/2019 10:15 AM
40	1) Have a proper poster session and include this formally in the schedule so people attend 2) Improve the WiFi 3) Retain the unconference (perhaps with a bit more socialising of what it was about) 4) Include a plenary that was really big illustrating data use - despite the plenaries, I feel this was missing - only the IPBES one came close and this lacked the impact of other plenaries	11/8/2019 9:57 AM
41	more advertisment to use the conference app maybe try to attract more researchers from the 'wet-lab'	11/8/2019 9:33 AM
42	/	11/8/2019 8:47 AM

43	There were too many parallel sessions. I realize it is difficult with such a big conference The unconference was fun, but could have also be done in the evening with beer.	11/8/2019 5:21 AM
44	(If there is an elephant in the room, introduce him): The WiFi was really bad and this should be greatly improved in the next year, but I am sure you will read this in a lot of the surveys and are already well aware of the issue. Double Sided Name Tags: with the way the lanyards were attached to the name tag, it didn't turn around as easily as at previous conferences, but this still happened and made it sometimes hard to read the name of a person. Having a name tag where the front and back is identical will fix this problem easily. Also the font size for the organization was too small, especially for organizations with long names. Take the longest name from this years participants to test the readability for next years name tags. More Vegetarian Food: There was ratio of 1:2 for the vegetarian to the non-vegetarian food. This was too little. The vegetarian food was always the first to be gone and at some occasions I would have liked to get a second round but this was not possible. Having 2 parts vegetarian to 1 part non vegetarian food would be much more suitable, as most non-vegetarian participants don't mind if at the end only the vegetarian option is left. Right after BiodiversityNext I attended the WikidataCon in Berlin, where the entire event was vegetarian-only with half of everything being a vegan option. Why not do this next year (or at least ask during registration if people would have a problem with a vegetarian/vegan only event)? I would guess the Biodiversity (Next/Summit) attendees are more interest in this idea than at any other average conference. It was understandable that with this size a conference dinner would be unfeasible, but the reception at Naturalis could have had a bit more snacks and it could have gone a bit longer.	11/7/2019 5:05 PM
45	make sure that the internet connection works well :) and be sure that the conference is equally well organized as the biodiversity next conference!	11/7/2019 1:39 PM
46	More vegetarian food, so that people don't go hungry. (Meat-eaters eat it too, remember.) Ensure diversity in panels.	11/7/2019 12:37 PM
47	less parallele sessions prefer adding days restore the mid conference event, discovering the country with the others is a good way to discuss with people	11/7/2019 8:57 AM
48	This was an excellently organised and supported event. WiFi was the only logistics problem If anything, it might have helped to be more ruthless in the agenda - there was so much we all missed out on! And there was some overlap of talks and topics	11/7/2019 8:41 AM
49	I suggest more global representation is given attention. Support for global south participants is necessary because we all know that most of the attendants from the Global North are supported by their projects or institutes to attend. Only few people make personal expense to attend such conferences.	11/7/2019 6:34 AM
50	Venue with better wifi - more attention paid to equity of invited speakers/keynotes and plenaries	11/6/2019 10:55 PM
51	Grandious is great, but encourage keynote speakers to be real. Some of the keynotes were insulting via their claims, particularly to those in the audience who know better (we're not describing all the earth's species in 20 years). Others, like the artists, made no such claims, and were far more enspiring. The poster sesssions needed more focus, they seemed an afterthought.	11/6/2019 10:13 PM
52	the talk times were very short, coupled with the venue, it meant it was not possible to move between sessions.	11/6/2019 7:43 PM
53	The "get-Together" after the sessions was great. However, I would prefer a half-day for another social event, e.g., city tour, hike .... but only in smaller groups.	11/6/2019 5:32 PM
54	Live session to demonstrate collection management software and services.	11/6/2019 4:50 PM
55	The internet at the conference was an issue. Made it difficult to take full advantage of the conference phone ap and collaboration.	11/6/2019 4:17 PM
56	Something betwen hackaton sessions and alive workshops for testing new tools	11/6/2019 4:17 PM
57	Leave more time between the speaker to be able to change of session. Shorter plenary time to have less parallel session.	11/6/2019 4:12 PM

58	- Include an element like the Unconference. - Rework panel concepts and provide more opportunities for interactions during plenaries (so tightly scripted and timed that there was no opportunity for this). - Be more aware of optics--loved that the impact of the 'manel' produced conversations about the diversity of our community, but even in the after movie, there was only one female highlighted/identified as a commentator out of 7 people interviewed. Dimitris Koureas tied things together well and I was pleased to see a bit of Prosper Karame's story get highlighted, and the background photos highlighted quite a bit of geographic diversity, but speaking roles are important.	11/6/2019 4:03 PM
59	Happy hour was a good idea to get people in touch	11/6/2019 3:26 PM
60	Make available a list of conference attendees and contact info (email). Otherwise networking is severely impeded.	11/6/2019 3:24 PM
61	Spread the tracks to make it easier for participation.	11/6/2019 3:23 PM
62	I thought it was organized quite well. Plenty of food and drink. Plenty of breaks. Maybe a designated smoking area away from the open door. I had to make some tough decisions about which concurrent session to attend, but that is always a problem. Being diligent about having the slides available can alleviate some of that.	11/6/2019 2:56 PM
63	If it's a question of resources for technology, skip the app, and get at least some of the sessions video recorded, for livestream and/or archiving. Six or seven parallel sessions means that none of us got to see much of the conference. Lots of interesting talks is a good problem to have, but if you want to support that many, consider cutting back on the plenaries.	11/6/2019 2:31 PM
64	I think the organization in tracks and sessions need to be revisited. It's complicated to combine so many talks, but an easier to understand structure with fewer acronyms for sessions might make it easier to follow.	11/6/2019 2:29 PM
65	keep up the good work. also, two comments. 1. from the information available on the website before the conference, it wasn't clear what food was being provided. Many people on budgets need to plan accordingly, and we have all been to conferences were there was either a. tons of food or b. none. It is great when that kind of information is available ahead of time. This year the lunches were very mysterious, as much of it was passed around, and you seemed to need a bit of luck to be able to get food, and to find somewhere to eat it. 2. There was pressure put on me to edit my poster abstract for publication. In my case, my poster was a transient lessons-learned, not associated with other research publications. While i have no issue with it being published, it was not an outcome that was a priority for me and I didn't want to include all the material on the poster. It is really awesome though to be able to associate the full poster with the published abstract.	11/6/2019 2:25 PM
66	I was suprised there was no live stream for the plenary sessions - I would have taken some of those in on mornings when I was late. And I'm sure there are others around the world who would have participated, either live, or watched the canned talks later. (If there was a livestream, I clearly missed it!).	11/6/2019 2:11 PM
67	The team was just amazing in all their processes. I really found no difficulties in accessing whatever information was needed. Among them, Jacqueline Bouwmans was always there for elaboration. One more aspect to include in the upcoming events is have enough time interacting with some key note speakers in form of questions-answers time at the end.	11/6/2019 2:02 PM
68	My suggestion was to great small amount of time to do culture hours, so that we can learn from different cultures and how participants from around the world shares their views on cultural identity to sustainable biodiversity conservation	11/6/2019 1:58 PM
69	- Can never have too many break-areas to hold a conversation between sessions - Clear signs/maps for where each room is - Try to maintain good/stable Wi-fi	11/6/2019 1:36 PM
70	Invite and promote under-/graduate student and postdoc competitions, travel prizes, etc.	11/6/2019 1:33 PM
71	List of all participants and their affiliation very much needed. Can you still post it?	11/6/2019 1:33 PM
72	Less parallel session. Be careful with the choice of people in a panel. A space to sit and discuss during lunch time	11/6/2019 1:31 PM
73	Better WiFi connections! Bioblitz / Excursion!	11/6/2019 1:27 PM
74	Try to put few sessions at the same time. People may be interested with sessions but can't attend because they are being held the same time Otherwise they keep the momentum	11/6/2019 1:18 PM
75	Better maps on the app	11/6/2019 12:35 PM

76	Please record all keynote and share. Its a shame some are not available - even on the pictures!	11/6/2019 12:01 PM
77	Don't have a panel session ever again made up of only white men over 50! I might have forgiven it if they had had anything interesting to say, but they didn't. This particular session was embarrassing and retrograde	11/6/2019 11:54 AM
78	Like: Biodiversity_next was a great experience and an opportunity to meet many interesting people. Dislike: WiFi was insufficient for conducting online workshops. Symposia and Workshops don't have abstracts published in BISS. A Programme book or Book of abstracts as a PDF file should be provided. Since the conference's web pages are highly dynamic and impossible to save at archive.org, almost any traces of symposia titles and workshop abstracts will vanish once you turn off the conference web site.	11/6/2019 11:54 AM
79	I was interested in talks taking place in different sessions. The App helped very much to organise this (thanks!), but there was no time calculated to change rooms. My recommendation would be to have the talks every quater of an hour to allow time to switch sessions, e.g. 10 minutes talk, 2 minutes discussion, 3 minutes for changing rooms (or further discussiosn for those staying in the room). I also appreciate the time at the end of the sessions for further discussions.	11/6/2019 11:51 AM
80	Avoid putting parallel sessions on similar subjects in the same time.	11/6/2019 11:45 AM
81	I avoid international meetings. As a community we are far too frivolous/hypocritical with our carbon emissions. I attended this conference because I could travel overland. I probably wouldn't have flown to it unless I could have combined it with a series of other meetings and/or a vacation - something I'd do only once every few years. Conference organisers should do an impact assessment of any proposed conference. It should included all the travel by all the participants. They should be up front and publish this on the landing page of the conference. Far too often travel is used as a job perk in the environmental community, possibly more than in the business community.	11/6/2019 11:41 AM
82	It was little expensive for participants form developing countries.	11/6/2019 11:40 AM
83	All-male panels aren't a good look. All white panels aren't either. People need to lift as they climb.	11/6/2019 11:38 AM
84	Organizing TDWG working group sessions parallel to the GBIF governing board meeting makes it very difficult for GBIF staff to attend those sessions. Organizing TDWG working group sessions as pre-conference workshops for which participants have to pay extra impacts participation.	11/6/2019 11:33 AM
85	Note Speakers should be thoroughly informed about the target audience to present a high-level presentation that gives real insights to the sessions.	11/6/2019 11:10 AM
86	Provide a stable WI-FI!!!! For features like Eureka Vote free text entries and activation of all questions at the same time should be enabled.	11/6/2019 11:06 AM
87	Just to continue...	11/6/2019 11:04 AM
88	Ensure there's a proper poster session! Otherwise it was great.	11/6/2019 10:55 AM
89	have early bird fee that lasts until after the date at which the speakers have been accepted have speakers fee that's lower than other fee	11/6/2019 10:47 AM
90	talks of 12 minutes are really short, a bit longer would be helpful. Changing parallel sessions was now almost impossible without loss of a talk, also due to differences in time keeping.	11/6/2019 10:42 AM
91	Better WLAN and broadband connections. More power sockets and tables for the workshops.	11/6/2019 10:41 AM

Q13 What impact(s) do you foresee that attending this conference will provide for you?

Answered: 82   Skipped: 97

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1	The main impact: to be aware of what big organizations are planning to do. It means that we, modest museums, don't need to reinvent de wheel	12/4/2019 12:43 PM
2	Gaining knowledge insight of ongoing TDWG work as well as DiSSCo and EU research infrastructure activities might be the most important personal benefit. The back-to-back with the GBIF GB was very good for attracting my head of delegation to see in person what the TDWG conference is about - and learn to appreciate this more. This effect alone was actually quite valuable!	11/28/2019 12:26 PM
3	more networking and collaboration possiblities	11/26/2019 9:16 AM
4	the extension of my professional network in the field of biodiversity conservation and new collaborations	11/25/2019 10:43 AM
5	better insights into the community; better collaboration in future; better implementation of my work/better achievement of my project goals	11/25/2019 8:53 AM
6	This conference allowed me to network with scientists from many organisations and many field, espacially thos working in the field of Citizen science where i want to start working	11/25/2019 7:27 AM
7	For me personally noy so much, but it was nice seeing where other institutions are in terms of working on the same issues as us.	11/24/2019 8:54 PM
8	First off, the opportunity to network with other researchers, organizations, and to meet in person pioneers in the research areas I am interested in. Also, as a young researcher, it will also give me a chance to widen my horizon and give useful pointers to in building my career. In addition, it will give a chance to meet and exchange with all the funding organizations that support work related to biodiversity informatics.	11/24/2019 3:26 AM
9	It will help in building collaboration towards biodiversity information sharing.	11/23/2019 6:13 PM
10	Keep me up-to-date about the status of biodiversity informatics.	11/23/2019 3:57 AM
11	Collaboration	11/22/2019 8:26 PM
12	Stronger interaction between TDWG and RDA.	11/22/2019 5:56 PM
13	The sense of urgency regarding pressures on biodiversity while taking part in a community that wants to communicate more information, and be effective in doing so, by listening, hearing, and sharing. Gave me lessons and examples to do similar when going back and explaining to my colleagues, which I am now doing in several ways and places.	11/22/2019 5:34 PM
14	Collaboration more broadly.	11/22/2019 4:28 PM
15	learn about the state of the art	11/22/2019 2:09 PM
16	- Better understanding of the wider community - Networking opportunities - Opportunity to showcase the work I'm involved in	11/22/2019 1:35 PM
17	Better knowledge on the modern information technologies in biodiversity	11/22/2019 1:19 PM
18	Have a more global vision of the IT works applied to biodiversity. Become aware of the importance of making biodiversity data public.	11/22/2019 1:17 PM
19	New ideas Better orientation in future directions of bioinformatics	11/22/2019 1:07 PM
20	As I registered late and did not give a talk, the main gain for me was networking and learning about projects and platforms I was unaware of or knew very little about.	11/22/2019 1:04 PM

21	This has been an outstanding opportunity for me. I was already expecting it to be. The main achievement for me was hope. Hope for museums and hope for taxonomy. I started doing a PhD on the same subject thinking I was mostly alone on the endeavour of putting both subjects forward. However, to see such an amazing group of people creating the basis for biodiversity studies on specimens and collections is incredible. I could not be more happy at this time of my PhD. Then, to meet people. To see Paul Hebert stating that he wants to raise Biodiversity Sciences to the level of other Economic realms and that he wants to follow up on the Linnean taxonomy. The poetry of Bioart and the IT work developed to give credit to taxonomic works. All of this gave me the assurance that we are all together on a good path. I hope to be able to collaborate with the group developed during the Authority of Peoples Names workshop too.	11/22/2019 1:02 PM
22	Better alignment of work I'm responsible for with that of other biodiversity informatics specialists from around the world.	11/22/2019 12:53 PM
23	It is mainly important for networking	11/22/2019 12:51 PM
24	Many partnerships	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
25	- planning the digitization and esp. text mining of historical literature collections, better understanding of visualizing information for users	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
26	It helped to understand what is being done worldwide, providing potential future scenarios for where I can direct my work and expertise with collection and data management.	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
27	My ideas on FAIR principles in dealing with Open Biodiversity Data were well accepted by the community. I received a warm support after my presentation.	11/22/2019 12:34 PM
28	Areas of collaboration with other colleagues and forging partnerships in the region and internationally	11/22/2019 12:33 PM
29	Growing network and some brilliant take home messages for developing national BDI related services.	11/22/2019 12:15 PM
30	Inspiration for daily work, possible collaboration with international peers.	11/21/2019 10:49 AM
31	More connections. 1. Ecology and Collections connection (from unconference) 2. Fostering Collection Mgmt Software Development (example, met with EarthCape, post biodiv next to help share vision for future software needs / requirements)	11/15/2019 4:19 PM
32	Networking, new projects, ideas and collaboration.	11/14/2019 4:12 PM
33	Certainly current awareness of projects and initiatives was the main impact. It was not a working conference in the sense of getting things done, but a spectacular, resplendent, showcase of projects and initiatives. The inclusion of artists was particularly nice.The Australians were well behaved and mostly ditched their Tshirts.	11/14/2019 2:16 PM
34	Have a overall view on related areas/organizations of the advances, update in many topics!	11/13/2019 3:48 PM
35	New partnership more visibility for Benin and Africa	11/13/2019 2:22 PM
36	Improved personal network	11/12/2019 4:48 PM
37	I anticipate GBIF needs to consider convening more working group meetings throughout the year.	11/12/2019 2:37 PM
38	A lot to have in future more such large conferences that shows importance of Biodiversity to many stakeholders, policy makers and funders.	11/12/2019 11:42 AM
39	Raising the profile of biodiversity; creating new collaborations; raising awareness of where we should collaborate	11/11/2019 9:43 PM
40	New opportunities to collaborate and align community activities. Some of this is already happening with colleagues at the Smithsonian and in bringing together the VRE community.	11/8/2019 9:57 AM
41	benefits from networking, new ideas and insights for my own research	11/8/2019 9:33 AM
42	/	11/8/2019 8:47 AM
43	Future collaborations Progress towards project goals, particularly papers Ideas for new projects. Knowledge of cutting edge research	11/8/2019 5:21 AM
44	- Getting to know interesting people and get inspired by them (and hopefully inspire them as well) - exchange of ideas - learn about what other people and institutions in the field of biodiversity informatics are doing	11/7/2019 5:05 PM

45	increased collaboration with international colleagues	11/7/2019 1:39 PM
46	We will do some work with GBIF data now. We may submit data to GBIF. We may be able to start new collaborations.	11/7/2019 12:37 PM
47	don't know yet	11/7/2019 8:57 AM
48	New or stronger contacts. A platform for our work. So much thought- provoking content to follow up.	11/7/2019 8:41 AM
49	I want to thank GRS for supporting my travel to the Netherlands. This conference has given me lots of opportunities for networking and forging collaborations with several individuals and institutions. I am leading digitization activity of the Ethiopian National Herbarium and I am hopeful some of these people will help me in funding and knowledge sharing. I also became keen to incorporate "Biodiversity informatics" into our MSc and PhD curricula and I now know whom to approach on this. In addition, I am interested to work with GBIF and other data holding institutions and also contribute our date set towards this global effort.	11/7/2019 6:34 AM
50	A stronger idea of the scope of the biodiversity informatics community	11/6/2019 10:55 PM
51	Multiplying the amount of work to be done.	11/6/2019 10:13 PM
52	getting in touch with other people working in the field of biodiversity informatics, text temining and semantic annotation	11/6/2019 5:32 PM
53	Opportunities to network and discuss of possible European projects were tangible. The different session gave altogether a good coverage of the current technical tendencies in ecological and collection data management	11/6/2019 4:50 PM
54	I made some connections with colleagues that may result in new collaboration	11/6/2019 4:17 PM
55	I don't see a focal interest, but a broad discharge of small suggestions to be taken into account in my organization. A museum of natural history of medium size.	11/6/2019 4:17 PM
56	So much to think about and process.	11/6/2019 4:03 PM
57	I have met new colleagues, interchanged ideas about standards for collections, and tried to find solutions for common problems	11/6/2019 3:26 PM
58	Catching up with developments in the discipline and also people. Possible collaborations and new forums.	11/6/2019 3:23 PM
59	The new collaborations will be very important for my career going forward.	11/6/2019 2:56 PM
60	It's a wonderful opportunity to get to know all sorts of programs and initiatives on biodiversity data.	11/6/2019 2:29 PM
61	this conference continues to renew my optimism regarding evolving solutions for mobilization and sharing of biodiversity data.	11/6/2019 2:25 PM
62	The world of biodiversity informatics seems to be increasingly complicated, but we as a community appear to be at a real turning point, with major momentum and results happening from many years of sustained effort. The biggest issue we face as a global community, IMO, is finding a way to get all relevant specimen data digitized and made available to the community. But nobody wants to pay for it.	11/6/2019 2:11 PM
63	I found the conference useful as it will enable me share the relevance of biodiversity data capture, management and sharing to influence policy makers in making well informed decisions that will eventually lead to sustainability of biodiversity conservation not only in my country but globally.	11/6/2019 2:02 PM
64	Biodiversity Next have broaden my knowledge on how important data informatic is valuable to biodiversity conservation in our communities. This conference has broaden my horizon about quality data and citizen science that is valuable at the national and global level, because it not only collects large amounts of data, it also contributes to public engagement with the environment, potentially leading to behavioural change Biodiversity Next share different approaches on how to share data and how we can protect them. The conference describes the distinction between contributory approaches local communities are primarily involved as data collection and collaborative/cocreated approaches. The conference educate us on how communities participation involved in additional stages of the scientific process, including identifying the question of interest, designing methodologies, analysing data and using the results.	11/6/2019 1:58 PM
65	- A chance to try techniques that I wouldn't have otherwise tried or known how/where to start - A new contact or two to bug with questions/answers when we get stuck	11/6/2019 1:36 PM

66	Business opportunities	11/6/2019 1:33 PM
67	New ideas to try solve issues we are facing. Collaboration Personal advancement of my knowledge	11/6/2019 1:31 PM
68	Improved knowledge of standards and tools used for handling Biodiversity data.	11/6/2019 1:27 PM
69	I ve got important connections with experts and donors. This is the start and will give me more benefits if I keep up the connection. I was opened to different project ideas that I can work on in regard with bio-bioinformatics Africa delegates managed to meet and strategize on how to advance bioinformatics at regional and the continent level	11/6/2019 1:18 PM
70	Made many contacts for future collaborations	11/6/2019 12:01 PM
71	Always good to see and hear the latest thinking on digitization, data sharing, and how digitized biodiversity data can influence policy. Need to focus more on this later point in the future.	11/6/2019 11:54 AM
72	it helped me to update and see what people are working on all ariund the world	11/6/2019 11:52 AM
73	Extending the collaboration network, new information on the topics I am interested.	11/6/2019 11:45 AM
74	Was valuable meeting some collaborators and had new commitments to further work. I learned about a few new projects (not present at the conference) that will be useful.	11/6/2019 11:41 AM
75	It has helped me to get connected with other agencies and also enhanced my outlook to biodiversity information globally.	11/6/2019 11:40 AM
76	New collaborations that are unlikely to have happened otherwise. Improved visibility and reputation (I hope) for my program.	11/6/2019 11:38 AM
77	Continued collaboration.	11/6/2019 11:33 AM
78	-In-depth knowledge and wider vision of daily issues -A better understanding of the potential ways Biodiversity actors may collaborate worldwide -Networking -Discover of dimensions of biodiversity unknown before	11/6/2019 11:10 AM
79	Networking	11/6/2019 11:04 AM
80	Increased appreciation of my work as well as new ideas and connections that can push it forward. Inspiration to do more and communicate with the wider community better.	11/6/2019 10:55 AM
81	working with others in the sector	11/6/2019 10:47 AM
82	Some collaborations were refreshed, some solutions for ongoing problems were provided. Learned a lot ...	11/6/2019 10:42 AM

Q14 This was the first time all of these groups have met together at a single venue. Please share any additional thoughts about the conference.

Answered: 70   Skipped: 109

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1	There were too many people, so I talked to people that I already know. It was more difficult to meet new people that could be future collaborators.	12/3/2019 5:54 PM
2	The extended time period commitment was a challenge but in hindsight a valuable effect itself.	11/28/2019 12:26 PM
3	It was a good opportunity to see that permanent collecting of data, improvement of their treatment and verification in line with IT development, new knowledge and experiences in data processing (principle try and mistake) push the scientific community to permanent reexamination and push beck to "overcome lessons" or "well know material".	11/26/2019 11:34 AM
4	It was about time for a conference like this!	11/25/2019 2:15 PM
5	700 people might be too many if you want to meet specific people. With the poster venue and 4 different places to have a break, it's taken me up to 3 days to see some people.	11/25/2019 1:59 PM
6	It is the first time i learn that biodiversity can be used for advance art technology	11/25/2019 7:27 AM
7	Good idea, to be done again!	11/24/2019 1:32 PM
8	This was truly a brilliant idea to have all these groups meet as it will go a long way to improve the community of practice and improve the dissemination of the concept of biodiversity informatics through improved collaboration. So I strongly recommend it should continue in future conferences and do kindly suggest more policymakers be involved and more partners are involved as well.	11/24/2019 3:26 AM
9	I think the efforts of organizers making this possible will prove worthy for the biodiversity information/informatics community as a whole.	11/23/2019 3:57 AM
10	please, please, please, let's make this an annual thing!	11/22/2019 7:36 PM
11	Seemed very full of energy and cross-pollination. Recommend for future. However, need to ensure that financial support for individual groups is well thought out so that they remain viable.	11/22/2019 5:56 PM
12	Excellent idea. Also, having the artists in the plenary. We need to listen and share across these groups (science, data, policy). Made it an enriching & learning experience compared to most most science conferences.	11/22/2019 5:34 PM
13	Great to get all these stakeholders together. This should definitely happen again.	11/22/2019 4:28 PM
14	as an outsider, with experience in a different field (Earth Sciences) , I would say: You all did not co-convene? Then it was high time! Might of course require a scale such as EGU with 12,000+ participants ;-))	11/22/2019 2:09 PM
15	I liked the venue but the wifi wasn't good enough. Would be good to have different tags that the groups/members could use on their name badge, this has been done in other conferences and the feedback seems to be quite positive.	11/22/2019 1:35 PM
16	It was great! The synergy among biodiversity, data, and policy was very exciting!	11/22/2019 1:13 PM
17	None	11/22/2019 1:07 PM
18	It was a good idea to have a joint meeting even if many of the sessions were not directly relevant to all people. This fosters collaborations and lets everybody know what is being done outside of their own group.	11/22/2019 1:04 PM
19	Please continue.	11/22/2019 1:02 PM
20	Do it again, with all these and more groups perhaps?Try to bring in ecology and geo informatics communities as well (to some extent).	11/22/2019 12:53 PM
21	It has both pros and cons of having such a huge event. I think I missed many interesting sessions because of overlap, but on the other hand I managed to meet many people that I do not meet regularly.	11/22/2019 12:51 PM

22	Loved the conference and talk to more/other people! Building stronger links between the different groups and avoid duplication of work	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
23	Amazing initiative. It needs to reach out every political avenues, stakeholders and policy makers.	11/22/2019 12:36 PM
24	It was a very good idea to bring different groups together, but I would suggest to have less parallel sessions in the future. This is also very true for the parallel workshops.	11/22/2019 12:34 PM
25	It was convenient to schedule side meetings with the various groups who came together in the conference for the first time such as BHL, GBIF, TDWG	11/22/2019 12:33 PM
26	It was a very good idea to get all of them together. we should keep this initiative	11/21/2019 2:29 PM
27	Please continue!	11/21/2019 11:49 AM
28	Maybe? some post-event online conversations could be fostered? I can see there were some hot topics -- and we could continue to build community by getting members who attended this -- together in virtual space.	11/15/2019 4:19 PM
29	I thought it worked really well and was one of the best (although intense) conferences I have been to, possibly ever!	11/14/2019 4:12 PM
30	A soup-to-nuts, alpha-to-omega, bang-up organization. Congratulations to the organizers for an extraordinary once-in-a-century accomplishment. It will be hard to match.The inclusion of artists was particularly nice.The Australians were well behaved and their T-shirts were tasteful.	11/14/2019 2:16 PM
31	The need of end users and applications is also needed to feedback	11/13/2019 3:48 PM
32	This conference was quite successful. Organizing TDWG conference together with those of other initiatives like GBIF is quite fruitful and cost effective for participation	11/13/2019 2:22 PM
33	I would think that e-Biosphere in London 2009 was the same community gathering together. However, ten years passed without the opportunity of joining these research communities! This is the main achievement of biodiversity_next, specially if it kicks off a series of scientific conferences (every year, two years or four years) that sustainably helps to consolidate this research area.	11/13/2019 11:25 AM
34	Was a great venue and look forward to the next one	11/12/2019 4:48 PM
35	Nothing more to add, other than to thank again the organizers again.	11/12/2019 2:37 PM
36	Great mixture!	11/12/2019 1:38 PM
37	It was really a great idea to meet up with all these groups and had great impact.	11/12/2019 11:42 AM
38	Having this joint meetings is an excellent idea (like last year SPNHC+TDWG); main problem will be to keep business meetings from detracting from conference sessions.	11/11/2019 9:43 PM
39	I'd suggest scheduling mega conferences like this periodically but not annually. Reducing our carbon footprint by aligning these meetings with others is very important but that also become a real challenge to organise and operate. Perhaps once every 4-5 years is about the right frequency.	11/8/2019 9:57 AM
40	Keep this format. The conference was very well organized.	11/8/2019 8:47 AM
41	It was really too busy to talk to anyone. Generally I like smaller meetings. Perhaps there is a way to get this small meeting atmosphere into a big meeting.	11/8/2019 5:21 AM
42	The venue with the different break areas made the conference appear smaller than it actually was. I guess this is a good thing, even though one could be there for an entire day without meeting certain people because they were always in a different session or break area.	11/7/2019 5:05 PM
43	pro: it brought together a lot of people that wouldn't have come to the annual TDWG meeting contra: the conference was really big, sometimes it felt that there were too many people	11/7/2019 1:39 PM
44	Remember that not every attendee is one of "these groups". I was there to learn about these things. Remain open to "outsiders"	11/7/2019 12:37 PM
45	when the conference is too big, you can't really discuss with people	11/7/2019 8:57 AM
46	All I could say was excellent and keep it up.	11/7/2019 6:34 AM
47	Multiple tracks were not great- those interested in integrating across ideas fields were at a loss. This is a good thing perhaps as it shows growth, but there is something to be said for more intimate meetings.	11/6/2019 10:13 PM

48	Good to save on travel and carbon footprint. Good for networking. Actual sessions of much more limited value since everything clashed with everything else.	11/6/2019 9:43 PM
49	A great event! One thing that I missed, though, was more researchers. There were some, but quite few who are not involved in BD informatics themselves. So pure customers of BD informatics infrastructures were largely missing.	11/6/2019 6:43 PM
50	I liked the short presentations (10 minutes). That was really productive!	11/6/2019 5:32 PM
51	This was indeed a good idea. I appreciated the fact that the sessions on collaboration with the South were well-integrated in the main programme	11/6/2019 4:50 PM
52	It was impressive to see all these groups working togeteher. It gives confidence	11/6/2019 4:17 PM
53	The enormity of bringing this conference together is daunting--congrats to all of the committees working on it! It was really valuable to have as many people in the room as we did, but we do need to figure out ways of involving those underrepresented at such conferences.	11/6/2019 4:03 PM
54	Only Congratulations to the Organizers!! Really Good job	11/6/2019 3:26 PM
55	Brings synergy. Good idea.	11/6/2019 3:23 PM
56	It seemed much more interdisciplinary that usual, but quite long. I'm glad I didn't have to stay more than a week.	11/6/2019 2:56 PM
57	The organization in tracks and sessions was complicated to follow. The four tracks sound good, but to me, the relation to what was included didn't always make sense. I understand it is a complicated endeavor to merge topics form such a diversity of initiatives running the conference. It was a very expensive meeting in terms of registration. I checked in on Tuesday early afternoon for the first time and by then no welcome packages were left. That was disappointing. I wish some of the rooms for symposia would have been bigger. The main auditoria were great, but some of the smaller rooms were certainly not ideal.	11/6/2019 2:29 PM
58	this was excellent. one of my biggest challenges is researcher engagement, it may be very helpful in the future for conferences like this to pull together a one-pager that can be used to further promote this type of networking and engagement in best practices.	11/6/2019 2:25 PM
59	The workshop helped me to establish networks, learn and share experiences with global experts in conservation issues which would undoubtedly help to strengthen problem solving skills in data collection, management, utilization and sharing both at local and global level.	11/6/2019 2:02 PM
60	Yes	11/6/2019 1:58 PM
61	It's a bit overwhelming! Feels like there isn't quite enough time space to interact with folks of interest--which may be the curse of any conference (they're finite), but it might be worth cutting back in scale a bit in order to focus on the people & issues present.	11/6/2019 1:36 PM
62	A joint conference like this was very good. We had those in early 2000's but then it somehow drifted apart, losing momentum.	11/6/2019 1:33 PM
63	Nice, but makes selection of which paralell sessions to attend even more difficult.	11/6/2019 1:27 PM
64	The conference was good and was mainly dominated by technical person. I wish there could have been as many politicians or decision makers and possible as well as private companies so that they get aware on what scientists are doing and the vision ahead	11/6/2019 1:18 PM
65	such a big conference is needed every year	11/6/2019 12:47 PM
66	See previous answer	11/6/2019 11:54 AM
67	I think it was a great idea to join all these groups, networking and collaboration defintely benefited from it! The conference was well organised and a full success! Congrats and thank you to all who were involved in organising!!!	11/6/2019 11:51 AM
68	Fantastic success to join all these communities together. Keep up that way!	11/6/2019 11:45 AM
69	Excellent forum to meet and attend seminars of different groups.	11/6/2019 11:40 AM
70	A bunch of platforms, web applications , repositories, etc. has been presented. Unfortunately, presenters often didn´t stated which problem they actually faced before developing these. Which problems promoted them to develop these tools? Why should I use these tools?	11/6/2019 11:06 AM