



## **NATURE-SDI*plus* ADHESION SHEET**

Natura 2000 and the new EU approach for protected sites management have enforced the link between nature conservation and geo-information. This has generated the need for accessible, interoperable and harmonised datasets, also addressed by the INSPIRE Directive (2007/2/EC) that pursues a European Spatial Data Infrastructure (SDI) to support environmental policies.

The NATURE-SDIplus Network started in October 2008. It aims to enable and improve the harmonisation of national datasets on nature conservation, making them accessible and exploitable. Thus, it supports the implementation of the INSPIRE Directive in this field. The considered data themes deal with Protected sites (Annex I), Biogeographical regions (Annex III), Habitats and biotopes (Annex III), Species distribution (Annex III).

NATURE-SDIplus analyses the usability and accessibility of data within a wide European context. The results of this analysis are used to develop the NATURE-SDIplus European metadata profile and data model for datasets on nature conservation.

The project defines as well common multilingual and multicultural approach for a simpler and standardised access to spatial data.

A demonstration infrastructure, compliant with the INSPIRE principles and supported by web services, provides the data accessibility through a dedicated geoportal: the main gateway to available datasets and services.

The final outcome of Nature-SDIplus is a long-term sustainable open network of stakeholders dealing with geo-information for nature conservation. Each one is interested to participate in NATURE-SDIplus is kindly invited to fill-in the following form and send it back to the NATURE-SDIplus Projec Office.



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**We confirm our interest to participate in the  
NATURE-SDI*plus* Network  
“Best Practice Network for SDI in Nature Conservation”**

**Profile of the organisation:**

Administration/Public Body (at all levels, also acting as public data provider)	√
Education&Research (Education -all levels-, Academy Research, vocational and life-long learning)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research Institute (public or private)	√
Industry/Company	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nature Conservation Operator (Authority, Protected Area)	<input type="checkbox"/>
NGO	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Sector of interest** (tick as relevant):

<input type="checkbox"/>	GIS technology
<input type="checkbox"/>	GIS design and modelling
<input type="checkbox"/>	webGIS
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDI and web services
√	INSPIRE data themes and nature protection
<input type="checkbox"/>	geo-data supply and management
√	geo-databases for nature management
<input type="checkbox"/>	GIS for Biodiversity research, conservation, management (please indicate the specific issue in the field of nature conservation)
<input type="checkbox"/>	GIS education and training
<input type="checkbox"/>	GIS for public participation

Other(s) ... (please specify)

**Short description of the organization**

**The Global Biodiversity Facility GBIF** is an inter-governmental organization borned in 2001 that currently comprises 53 governments and 43 international organizations. GBIF is a network of national nodes with an international mandate settled in Copenhagen. The main goal of GBIF is to provide **free and open online access to global biodiversity data** supporting at the same time scientific research, conservation and sustainable development.

GBIF Spain is the national GBIF Node in Spain. It is a network of institutions and projects (currently,53) with a Coordination Unit (sponsored by the Ministry of Science and Innovation , and managed by the Spanish High Council of Scientific Research).

**NATURE-SDIplus collaboration items (tick as relevant):**

Sharing knowledge and experience	√
Network development and user involvement	√
Participation in project workshops and training initiatives	√
Sharing training material	√
User needs analysis	√
Good Practice examples	√
Demonstration data / Data provision	√
Demonstration SW	<input type="checkbox"/>

Yours faithfully,



Date 10 Jun 2010

Stamp and Signature

Please send back the adhesion form filled and signed to the NATURE-SDIplus Project Office by e-mail at [office@nature-sdi.eu](mailto:office@nature-sdi.eu) or by fax at +39 010 835 71 90