# Summit 2018 - Harnessing Natural History Collections Data for Addressing National Challenges

Tuesday, October 2, 2018, 3:10-4:00, Harn Chandler Auditorium

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## Session Leader(s)

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## Overview

During the past year, the Biodiversity Collections Network (BCoN) has been gathering feedback from stakeholder communities about biodiversity collections and the data derived from them.  This feedback will inform a vision for how biodiversity collections and data can realize their potential for research and education during the next decade..

Through these outreach efforts we have learned that the stakeholder community views the current national digitization effort as a success, and feels strongly that the effort should continue in some way. We have also determined that the U.S. national effort aligns well with international efforts, especially in Europe and Australasia.

## Participants

Everyone!  The Goal is to get 40 Wish List responses in 50 minutes

## Session Notes

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# Main Points / Action Items

In this final outreach effort, we are asking for your very specific and succinct contributions to a wish list of future activities or functions for collections and data, and recommendations on how to achieve them.

During the session, participants are invited to share their wish list items in a very  succinct fashion by responding to the questions below.

Responses can be submitted in advance using this Google Form or can be recorded on the handouts provided at the Summit registration or at the beginning of this session.  Each form can only contain one item, but you are welcome to submit more than one form if you wish.

 Additions to this form made by 5:00 pm EST on Friday, 5 October will be posted on the BCoN website (https://bcon.aibs.org/) shortly thereafter and incorporated into the final report.

QUESTIONS:

1.  What would you like to accomplish with biodiversity collections or derived data that you cannot do now (or cannot do easily)?  Name ONE activity or function in ONE sentence

2.  List ONE currently unavailable action or tool that you would need to in order to do this

3. Who could help you do the accomplishment listed in Question 1?    List up to THREE types of experts or areas of expertise

**When you are done, copy the main points and/or action items into the Session Summary Notes presentation here:**
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