

Work Plan - Task Group on Data Fitness for Use in Research on Invasive Alien Species

Live Document [[specific requests for input in purple](#)]

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Series of tasks

A. Scope, action plan, schedule and activities

To be developed

B. Engagement strategy

There are a number of ways in which input will be gathered from IAS researchers to inform the task. These include:

- Approaching key personal contacts ([please complete 'Expert contact list'](#))
- Circulating an online survey across relevant mailing lists ([please list relevant mailing lists here](#))
 - Alien Challenge COST Action
 - Belgian Biodiversity Platform newsletter
 - British Ecological Society news? (BES-INVASIVE@JISCMail.AC.UK)
 - EU BON
 - GEO BON
 - Taxacom newsgroup
 - aliens-l@list.auckland.ac.nz
 - RSA: invasives@wordlink.co.za
 - Western Indian Ocean: wio-ias@list.auckland.ac.nz
 - Requesting input at relevant conferences ([please list conferences and dates here if you are attending and plan to use the opportunity for this purpose](#))
 - GISIN
 - TDWG Invasive species group, it has not been active, but I think the mailing list still works.
 - EPPO?

NEOBIOTA 2016 (9th International Conference on Biological Invasions) Luxembourg, 14-16 September 2016.

C. Structured questionnaire for gathering input

To be developed

D. Report

- Request from GBIF: Report to be synthetic with clear, specific and detailed recommendations; ideally 12-20 pages long; refer to existing Task Group reports and their recommendations for similarities/overlap.
- Draft to be developed via Google drive, MM to initiate